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Overview of Program

• How the program developed
• Anticipated benefits to the Honors Program
• Anticipated benefits to the library
• UD’s Common Academic Program and co-curricular experiences
Position Descriptions

- Marketing and Events internship
- Instruction and Reference internship
- Catholic Special Collections internship
It can be *life changing* to...complete an internship. Such an undergraduate experience *deepens* *learning* and brings one’s values and beliefs into awareness.

As a result, students better understand themselves in relation to others and the larger world, and they acquire the *intellectual tools* and ethical grounding to act with confidence for the betterment of the human condition.

Literature Review

**Undergraduate student workers:**

**Library internships:**

**Undergraduate internships:**
Student experiences

• Preparation for graduate school, vocation, or career
  – Psychology
  – Women’s Studies/English
  – Peace Studies and Business
  – Entrepreneurship
• Psychology student:
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**Student experiences**

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Student experiences

- LibGuide creation
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<td>The Boy Who Couldn’t Sleep But Never Had To</td>
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<td>Surreal themes of superpowers, insomnia that isn’t a problem, set in a young adult narrative of high school and friendship.</td>
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<td>Collection of short stories allows exploration into multiple strange situations of fantasy worlds and the inner lives of characters as they interact with equally complex and strange people.</td>
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<td>Psychological horror story with the surreal touch of an author who deals in the small, eerie details that give a story a strange, otherworldly touch. Accessible and interesting.</td>
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<td>Author noted for bringing strange situations to light, this title takes a</td>
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• Peace Studies/Business major
• Holy Cards exhibit
• Entrepreneurship major
Student experiences

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Study Spaces at Roesch Library
Assessment/feedback

- Memos for each project
- End of semester report to supervisor
- Supervisor report

- Portfolio and reports submitted to Dean of Libraries and Honors Program Director
"The honors internship program provides benefits in both directions. The students have an opportunity to help with research or get real world work experience and the Libraries' benefit from their perspective and talents."

-Dean, University Libraries
Results

- Marketing and Events internship
- Instruction and Reference internship
- Catholic Special Collections internship
Resources Needed

- Commitment to supervise
  - Training
  - Ongoing communication & feedback
  - Time management (for you & your intern)
Resources Needed

• Space, potentially: does the work have to be completed in the library with the supervisor nearby?

• Support of Library Administration

• Funding, maybe
What’s Next for Us?

• Documenting co-curricular impact of internships within new undergraduate curriculum

• Internship experience → Thesis experience

• Collaborative writing for publication
• What is needed to facilitate high-impact library internships on your campus?
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