

UofL Archives and Special Collections Internship (1 position in Fall & 1 position in Spring)

Archives and Special Collections (ASC) works with students enrolled in the English Department's Internship Program to tailor one semester non-stipendiary internships. Interns work under the supervision of ASC faculty, specializing in rare books and the materiality of book artifacts. Intern and faculty work together to set achievable goals that connect special collections expertise with English student interests, develop libraries-based work experience, and explore options for further study and careers with libraries, rare books, literary manuscripts, and related media and institutions. The internship includes development of a culminating project that fulfills the English internship program portfolio requirement, such as a book exhibition in library galleries or a public presentation to library patrons and workers.

Recent culminating projects include:

- A special collections guide and finding aid for the Kent Fielding Collection of Poets and the correspondence of White Fields Press
- A curated exhibition drawing on the Lucy M. Freibert Collection, focusing on Freibert's career championing of women authors and gender equity
- A library subject guide on the history of printing, including a historical overview, a bibliography of academic resources, and spotlights of key special collections at UofL
- Research and rights management efforts in support of a visual history/artist's book about civil rights activism in Louisville

Workload

Minimum 40-50 onsite hours at Ekstrom Library (Main Library)

Please contact the English Department Internship Program director, Dr. Mark Alan Mattes (mark.mattes@louisville.edu), for more information.