**Women and Gender Studies Internship Reflection Paper Guidelines**

**Paper Overview**

When approaching your reflection paper, you’re answering the question, “SO WHAT?"

* What did you do within your internship?
* Whom did it affect?
* How might it be useful to your future?
* How did your experience connect with your academic work in Women and Gender Studies?
* How did your internship connect with Feminist Praxis?
* How did you grow intellectually and personally?

**Sample Paper Outline:**

I. Description of internship (brief) and to include:

* responsibilities
* skills learned
* project description
* problems encountered

II. Analysis of internship in terms of the following:

* brief overview of the organization's mission/work and how your position contributed or related to it
* what you learned, changes you experienced
* ethical considerations/issues

III. Relationship of internship to Women and Gender Studies coursework

* set your experiences during the internship using concepts you’ve encountered throughout your career as a WGS scholar (i.e. Intersectionality, Privilege and Oppression, The Social Construction of Gender, Feminist Praxis, etc.)
  + pull in 5-6 outside resources to back up your experiences (texts you’ve used from class)

Grading criteria:

1. Are you able to concisely discuss your internship?
2. Are you able to analyze your position within your internship and what that means as you move towards your future?
3. Can you successfully discuss and analyze your internship experience with the concepts you’ve learned throughout you WGS career?
4. Are your entries well-written, free of grammatical and stylistic errors? Do you include full citations at the end of your paper? Does it follow the assignment guidelines? Has it been proofread?