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How has the internship prepared you for future academic, personal, or professional endeavors?

This is difficult to define. I can say that for the first time, I feel like a historian in the realer sense. I teach history for secondary education and although I have always loved and studied history but I wanted to do justice to my students by having a deeper understanding of what I was teaching. My classes at ASU have helped me with that to an extent. But I never felt like a historian till now. This class has brought me a sense of accomplishment and confidence.

I do not plan on leaving teaching. But if you want to hear god laugh, tell him your plans! That is what my mom tells me anyway. It is uncertain whether I will use the more technical skills in the future or not. However, I do have a deep understanding of silences, curation, ethics, privacy, best practices, and primary source collection. I think this knowledge will make me a better educator. My students will benefit, which was my ultimate goal in taking this class as an intern.