History 489 Internship in Oral History Research  
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COURSE INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Texts and Other Necessities: No texts required; students and professor will use archival sources and sources within the library (stacks, databases, and ILL) as needed for research and analysis. Students will need a laptop and a reliable Internet connection when not in the library in order to perform research.

University Catalog Description: Individualized instruction/research at an advanced level in a specialized content area under the direction of a faculty member.

Student Learning Outcomes: In collaboration with the University Archivist and Digital Collection Specialist, students will analyze and summarize existing oral history interviews in order to add components to the World War II Digital Collection. Additionally, students will contact World War II veterans and/or their families in an effort to expand the Archives contents regarding veterans’ experiences during the war. Students will keep a process journal during the course in order to capture their experiences, challenges, and triumphs during their internship in order to demonstrate student learning about history and archival work.

Technology Requirements: The student must possess a laptop with wireless capability (within the library) as well as reliable access to the Internet when not in the Archives. Students may also want to access a digital camera and printer to facilitate the acquisition and preparation of materials relevant to the digital collection.

Communication: Given the nature of this internship, the student has direct and unfettered access to the professor during the semester.

Attendance & Academic Dishonesty: Attendance is required and more than one absence during the semester will constitute a reduction in a student’s overall grade. Although the student might attempt to use plagiarized material, the professor’s attentiveness will ensure that cheating and academic dishonesty does not occur. Should a student engage in plagiarism, the professor may dismiss the student from the internship.

ADA Statement and Student Behavior

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Office of Student Disability
Resources and Services in the Gee Library Room 132, call (903) 886-5835, or email StudentDisabilityServices@tamuc.edu.

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