



Undergraduate Student Profiles

Anna Breneman

Holocaust Museum Internship

History undergraduate student Anna Breneman recently participated in an internship at the Holocaust Museum. Anna, a History and International Business major, minoring in Eastern European and Russian Area Studies, worked on an upcoming exhibit on Holocaust camp liberators from the St. Louis area. Anna's exhibit features archival research, as well as oral and written histories. She said that the freedom to work in the museum's archives "allowed me to read and touch such personal objects and remember how personal history is. For me, at least, history can feel far away, but this experience allowed me to put it into perspective. Touching the photos, pins, and memorabilia made it personal." Working on this project has caused Anna to see her world differently: "I feel that I grew a lot and learned so much about the Holocaust, Israel, and the Jewish faith... It just made me realize that I have to stand up for people that don't necessarily have the opportunity to."



"The History Department has allowed me to gain a much more worldly view. I have met some amazing teachers and students who have so much knowledge of various regions of the world, and it's inspiring," says Anna. "I have just learned so much from my peers at SLU and am excited to learn more in the coming years." Currently, Anna is focusing on classwork and student life. As Vice-President of the Russian Club, she hopes to make it "more interactive and welcoming to anyone interested in Russia or Eastern Europe." She is considering getting a master's degree, entering the workforce, or joining the Peace Corps after graduation. We're so proud of the work you have done and continue to do, Anna, and we can't wait to see all that you accomplish at SLU and beyond!