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Background

- Inspiration for DH internship: 1909 map of City of Hartford
- Great opportunity to offer students of diverse backgrounds/interests opportunity to work on topics meaningful to them
- Create website on WordPress:
<http://scholarscollaborative.org/Hartford/>



Second Phase

- More focus on working with the History department to build robust internship program
 - Buy-in from Undergraduate Academic Advisor (advertised & help students to enrolled)
 - Outlined clearer expectations, homework assignments & due dates
 - More opportunities to work one-on-one with students
 - Topics: Witch Trials | Pequot Wars | Educational Segregation because of Race & Ethnicity



First Phase

- Reach out to our subject departments and gauge interest
 - Got responses from History and Communication Departments
- Meet with students to discuss:
 - Intro to Tools & Expectations for class
 - How to write for the web
 - How to find sources for their projects (CTDA, NYPL digital Collections, etc.)



Future Needs/Lessons Learned

- Build relationship with individual department
- Need more institutional support from within the library
- IT and hosting support to maintain website



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