CIVIL WAR ERA INTERNSHIP GRANTS

The Virginia Center for Civil War Studies, housed in Virginia Tech’s history department, invites applications for a new student funding opportunity. **Civil War Era Internship Grants** provide $2,500 to students undertaking professional internships in any area of Civil War Era history (interpreted broadly to include the 1840s-1870s as well as longer-term memories of the conflict). Host organizations could include museums, archives, National Park Service sites, or other institutions. The program is open to both graduate and undergraduate students at Virginia Tech.

The aims of the program are:

- to facilitate internships that enhance students’ career prospects but that might otherwise be financially unfeasible.
- to encourage student contributions to public engagement with Civil War Era history.
- to support Virginia Tech’s emphasis on experiential learning.

Applicants are encouraged to consult VCCWS director Paul Quigley (**pquigley@vt.edu**; 405 Major Williams Hall), well in advance of the submission deadline, if they require help in identifying a suitable internship opportunity.

To apply, please submit the following via email to Paul Quigley (**pquigley@vt.edu**) **by February 4, 2019**. If possible, please combine the three components into one pdf.

- A 1-2 page statement (double spaced) identifying the sponsoring organization; email address or phone number of a contact person at the sponsoring organization; the proposed dates; the principal activities to be completed; and the significance for the applicant’s academic studies and/or career goals.
- A current CV highlighting GPA and relevant academic and non-academic experience.
- Evidence that the proposed internship is viable. This could be an email from the sponsoring organization affirming either that the applicant has already been offered an internship or that an offer is a reasonable possibility; a copy of an application for a formal internship program; or similar. The applicant need not necessarily have already been accepted to an internship program, but does need to show that the proposed internship is viable. (However, the internship will need to be confirmed before funds are disbursed.)