

## ***Texas Studies in Literature and Language* Internship in Publishing (E 367E)**

Undergraduate students interested in literary studies, archival research, editing, publishing, and social media marketing are invited to apply for an internship for *Texas Studies in Literature and Language*, a scholarly journal funded by the Department of English and the College of Liberal Arts and published by the University of Texas Press.

*Texas Studies in Literature and Language* is one of the oldest scholarly journals in the English speaking world. It began in 1911 as *Studies in English*, an annual that published monographs by University of Texas at Austin faculty. In 1924, the journal was reimagined as a yearly collection of scholarly essays, again primarily by UT faculty. In 1959, *Texas Studies in Literature and Language* took its current name and became a quarterly publication with a broader scholarly purview not limited to a specific time period or genre. From 1959 until 1976, publication was supported by funds from the offices of the Dean of Graduate Study and Dean of Arts and Sciences, as well as the University of Texas Press. In 1976, UT Press took publishing control of the journal, which it retains.

**Skills & Experience Gained:** Interns will work with the co-editors, Douglas Bruster and James Cox, and the graduate editorial assistant as they learn about and contribute to the journal's editorial, production, and outreach work. The internship will give them professional experience in editing, publishing, and social media promotion. Interns will also develop their critical and independent inquiry skills while gaining insight into contemporary scholarship in American, English, and World literature.

**Duties & Activities:** The co-editors will work with interns to customize duties according to student interests and journal needs, though interns will primarily help with promotion on social media. This work will involve reading accepted submissions and doing research in order to generate interview questions for authors; interviewing authors about their work and doing research to find photographs and other visual materials to publish with the interview; and coordinating with the graduate editorial assistant and social media contacts at UT Press and in the English Department.

**Qualifications:** We are looking for students with an interest in editing and publishing as a career option. Good communication and organizational skills (e.g. fulfilling commitments, meeting deadlines) as well as the ability to work independently and as part of a small group are important to this position. Social media skills are desirable, but not required.

**Hours:** Approximately 12 hours per week, including meetings and independent, project-based work. The internship will open by a term-by-term basis; we are currently looking for applicants for Fall 2021.

**APPLY:** To be considered for an internship, please send a letter of interest to TSL@austin.utexas.edu. In it, please include your full name, EID, current classification (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior), GPA, and explain why you'd like to undertake the internship, including areas of particular interest and any relevant experience or skills you bring. CVs or resumes are welcome but not required. Priority deadline: August 31, 2021. The application process will remain open until 6 positions are filled.