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**Science & Global Change Practicum
Science & Global Change Practicum Reflection Paper
Due Online May 10 (that's the last day of class!), 2022**

This assignment is to summarize your experience in developing, conducting, and presenting your practicum work. It will help serve you as a reflection of the work you have done, and an aid to future scholars in developing their own practicum projects.

Your report must be a website, linked to your main portfolio page, of approximately 600-900 words length (longer if necessary). Please respond to the prompts below. If you wish to add additional material, however, go ahead.

The Topic:

You have now spent some time in the **generation of natural and physical science** (working in a research laboratory; doing your own independent research; etc.) or **the transmission of natural and physical science** (mentoring students in math and/or science; working as a docent in a museum, zoo, or similar institution; etc.) or **the application of natural and physical science** (working in a medical facility; shadowing a physician, forensic scientist, field hydrologist; curation or preparation of fossils and artifacts in a museum; working as a volunteer behind the scenes at a zoo; etc). Let us know about that experience. In particular, please describe:

- What your practicum site was
- How you found that site and the site supervisor, and what advice you would give to future SGC Scholars on identifying a practicum site (such as how to contact a supervisor)
- What tasks you performed at this site
- What you learned about the science related to your site as part of the experience
- How doing the work at this site has affected you beyond science. Specifically (answer all of these that apply to you):
 - What appreciation was gained for the practical connections between Science and other parts of Society
 - How (if at all) you have modified your future plans at UMCP or your post-bachelors academic plans based on this experience
 - How doing this project has affected your future career plans, if at all

Any additional insights or reflections in your essay are welcomed and encouraged.

A template is available as <https://www.geol.umd.edu/sgc/docs/reflectionessay.html>; make sure to use your own css for the formatting.