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**CPSP 359G SGC Practicum (Scholarship in Practice)
Science & Global Change Practicum Observation & Analysis (POA)
Due Online May 10 (that's the last day of class!), 2022**

This assignment is to take a more detailed look and reflection on the work that you have done. How does it integrate with previous knowledge? What did you learn about the topic, and about yourself? How might this work affect your future plans?

Your report must be an essay entered in the appropriate text box in ELMS. (We suggest you write it in Word or other word processor, then cut-&-paste onto ELMS.) Please respond to the prompts below. If you wish to add additional material, however, go ahead.

The Topic:

For the Practicum Observation & Analysis (POA) you are to describe and analyze your experience in research, service-learning, or interning. It will be in the form of a multi-paragraph report. Here are the parts:

- Describe the nature of the project or service you were involved with. For instance, where it was done; who you worked with/for; what the goals of the project/service was.
- Describe a typical day involved in the project/service: what tasks would you be doing? If equipment was involved, what equipment was it and what did you do with it? If everyday was a different task, give a sense of the variety of tasks.
- What did you learn by doing this? Choose **one** of the following prompts and write about it:
 - By **observing others and the environment around you**, what were the problems and challenges you saw? What did you see that reflects (or challenges) the theoretical or scientific concepts or practical skills you have learned in SGC Colloquium (or, if more appropriate, some other class)? Explain and give examples. What skills or deepened understanding have you gained, if any?
 - By **using your analytical or critical thinking skills**, did any of the theoretical or scientific concepts you learned in SGC Colloquium (or, if more appropriate, some other class) help you in your Practicum project? Explain and give examples. What skills or deepened understanding have you gained, if any, by this experience?
 - By **performing hands-on work**, did any of the theoretical or scientific concepts you learned in SGC Colloquium (or, if more appropriate, some other class) help you in your Practicum project? Explain and give examples. What skills or deepened understanding have you gained, if any, by this experience?
- Address your **increased personal awareness**. What have you learned about yourself and your professional and academic aspirations based on this research experience? Did you have an

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opportunity to develop or practice the skills you intended to? Explain. If you could have better prepared for this research opportunity (with coursework or experiences) how would you have done so? What next steps (e.g., coursework; declaration of a minor; future internships; etc.) are you thinking of pursuing related to this experience? Do you think this project or service will be part of your professional develop, either in the immediate or the longer-term future? Explain.

- If your practicum required you to **collaborate** as a member of a team, analyze your team's ability to achieve its goal. What role did you find yourself playing in that group? Was it a new or familiar role?
- Would you recommend this opportunity to future SGC students? Explain.