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- Marisa Nguyen (Anthropology, Peace and Justice Studies, 2017)
- Boston Consortium Intern Assistant
- Full-time, 40 hours per week
- Unpaid but receiving Career Center Internship Grant

What do you do as an intern at this organization?
As BCIA (Boston Consortium Intern Assistant), I work as a liaison between the three person staff and the 23 summer interns. I am in charge of keeping track of the weekly schedules of all interns and their weekly work reports. I also work on researching gender and land rights in order to create an annotated bibliography to be added to the Consortium’s website. I do additional work on the new website by editing and entering research to our Research Hub.

How did you find your internship?
I found my internship listed on Jumbo Jobs.

What do you enjoy most about your internship?
My favorite part of the internship is working with a large group of interns. Being able to help each other out, in addition to struggling with the same things, creates a really fantastic work environment.

What do you find challenging?
The most challenging part of this internship has been learning to prioritize and have great time management. This internship requires each intern to juggle many jobs at once, and I had to figure out how to get each task done well and efficiently.

What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?
If you are going to work at an organization where the intern cohort is quite large, don’t be afraid to speak up and challenge something if you think it can be done in a better way. Always be willing to step up into a leadership position if you are asked to do so.

About the Organization
The Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights
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The Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights is an organization devoted to bringing knowledge about gender to bear on the quest to end armed conflicts and build sustainable peace. Founded in 2002, and now based at the University of Massachusetts Boston, its work is a result of collaboration between scholars and researchers from academic institutions in the Boston area, as well as NGOs and international institutions such as the United Nations. The Consortium works to build knowledge about gender, armed conflict and security through fostering greater interaction between scholars, policy-makers and practitioners; our activities include hosting lectures, discussions, workshops and conferences. Our mission is to create a more peaceful, just and gender equitable world through programs designed to produce cutting edge gender analysis of war and peacebuilding, transform gender and security research and policy agendas, and foster innovative education, activism and practice.