My experience interning at the City of Fort Collins in the Safety, Security, and Risk Management (SSRM) department was everything I had hoped for in an internship. I spent my days investigating the elements of safety in the workplace in a wide spectrum of areas. I worked with the Parks, Natural Areas, Forestry, and Cultural Services departments as well as the Fort Collins Police and even Poudre Fire Authority. This internship is perfect for any student who is looking for variety in an internship. I often found myself working in the field rather than sitting in my office. During my time with the City I climbed light poles, went on a police ride along, searched around a museum, and much more. There is almost no limit to the different experiences you can have during this internship.

Being a safety intern gives you a unique perspective on Environmental Health (EH) that I feel cannot and is not taught in the classroom. Safety ties together so many divisions of EH into one common goal: to keep employees safe so they can return home every night in the same state that they came to work in that morning. If you are a person who genuinely wants to help others, then consider interning at the City of Fort Collins because you will be actively working to prevent injury every day.

During my time with SSRM I worked on several projects including:

- Policy writing
- Exploring occupational hazards
- Creating informational safety flyers
- Assisting with safety audits
- Created building emergency maps
- And more!

I highly recommend this internship to any EH student with an interest in safety. The connections I made during my time with the City of Fort Collins are priceless. Every day I looked forward to going into work and seeing what new experience I was going to have next.