

To Donors of the Jim Dowe Public Media Internship fund,

I send my warmest thanks for all the support you have given the Jim Dowe Public Media internship. This summer has been a wonderful and exciting journey of learning and skill building. I have learned so much about the world of public media and how I fit into that world. At the beginning of the summer, we laid out everything we wanted to learn and accomplish by August with flexibility for sudden events or opportunities. It was thrilling to see how fast-paced the news can be; it was incredible to be a part of it. By July, we wrote our own spots that were read on air, edit scripts and research guests for Maine Calling, and go out and report on our own story. The Jim Dowe Public Media internship is by far one of the most hands on internships I have ever come across. Each day, we were treated like employees with real responsibilities and tasks at hand. It was exciting to come in each day and see what was on our agenda as it was constantly changing.

We were also able to spend a week up in Bangor, where the video and television team taught us everything about equipment, production, and how to shoot a video or television show specifically for Maine Public. While there, we made a day trip to Acadia to shoot an *Out and About* that will be aired on Maine Public Television. The team at Maine Public was always so excited to hear our thoughts and ideas and put in an honest effort to figure out ways for us to pursue our very own personal goals for the summer.

I cannot express how grateful I am to have had this experience and worked with such a wonderful organization. Thank you again for your continued support that keeps growing this internship year after year. Your efforts keep public media prominent as it is so important in our society today.

Sincerely,

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