Help Wanted -- Undergraduate Research Assistants

Faculty Member and email: Professor Randolph Roth (roth.5@osu.edu)

Research topic /area: The History of Homicide in the United States

When will the URA be needed?
(Suggested time commitment: A total of 20 hours of work for each credit hour taken)

  _X_ Autumn, Second Session (Begins October 16) (1-2 credit hours)
  _X_ Spring Semester (1-3 credit hours)
  _X_ May Term (1-3 credit hours)
  _X_ Summer Term (1-3 credit hours)

Job description: to conduct primary research in historical newspapers and draft analytical case narratives with on-line newspapers or (for those who are interested) newspapers on microfilm. Most of the work will involve Ohio since 1959, but other options are to read newspapers from colonial Pennsylvania or from 19th century Philadelphia.

Desired Qualifications: open – an introductory opportunity to conduct research

Educational Outcome(s) for the Student: the work will include reading several essays on the historiography of homicide, so students can understand the questions that the research is trying to answer and the debates that the research engages. The goal is to include students as full partners in the research and analysis.

What the student should submit in order to apply: just e-mail Professor Roth. We can discuss the work in person.

Application review by faculty member will begin around what date? If you want the job, you’re in! We’ll just have to see over the first few weeks whether the work appeals to you, and if not, whether we can find a kind of work that would appeal to you more. Precision, not speed, is of the essence.