

Society of American Archivists Annual Student Chapter Report
University of Denver
2016-2017

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Activities/Events:

This year DU was without a full-time archival faculty member. While the head of the University archives taught the archival classes and was incredibly helpful as a mentor, the SAA chapter attempted this year to try to fill the gap by connecting students to the archival community in Denver and by serving as a resource to new students with questions about the field. To do this we partnered heavily with the local Society of Rocky Mountain Archivists (SRMA), encouraging students to attend their casual monthly meet-ups and offering scholarships to their spring conference. We also streamlined our quarterly tours to include more locations and more options by scheduling two tours in one day for close but varied locations. In the Fall Quarter, in addition to advertising the SRMA meet-ups and fall conference, we hosted a tour day to the Stephen H. Hart Library at the History Colorado Center and the Clyfford Still Archives. We met twice with all student members to talk about their progress in the program and what they hoped to get out of their membership. During the Winter Quarter we set up a day of tours to the Blair-Caldwell African American Research Library and the Colorado Supreme Court Law Library. One board meeting was held during Winter Quarter. In the Spring Quarter we led a tour to the University of Colorado – Boulder archives, which our former archives professor now runs, and the University's Digital Preservation Lab. We are also partnering with SRMA on their spring conference, offering two scholarships and hosting the reception after the main event to encourage networking among students and professionals. Our numbers for tours has been lower than last year, but this is due to a smaller 2016 cohort with fewer students who are interested in archives.

Social Media Sites:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/DenverSAA/>

Portfolio: <http://portfolio.du.edu/saadenver>