# Call for Proxy Research Assistants

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Hello,

My name is Michelle McCarthy-Behler and I am the Manager of Public Services in the Manuscripts, Archives, and Rare Books divisions at the New York Public Library.

The Manuscripts, Archives, and Rare Books divisions serve thousands of patrons engaged in interdisciplinary studies each year. However, many of our remote patrons are unable to visit our collections and often need the assistance of hired independent researchers to access materials onsite, which has been made more difficult in the recent global pandemic.

I am reaching out to your department to gauge whether there is interest among graduate students to be included on a running list of researchers for hire we might recommend to our patrons. <u>Please note that any participant would not be employed or affiliated with the New York Public Library.</u> Any arrangements made between independent researchers and patrons would be up to the discretion of both parties, independent of the Library.

I would be grateful if you would please distribute this call among your students and faculty. If interested, they are welcome to contact me directly at the following contact:

#### MichelleMcCarthyBehler@nypl.org

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

#### Michelle McCarthy-Behler

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