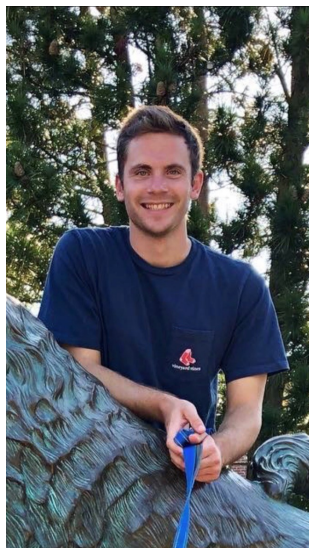


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Natalie Roach (she/hers) is a second year Master of Public Policy student at UCONN's Hartford campus. Natalie received her undergraduate degree from UConn with a B.S. in Environmental Sciences and Human Rights with concentrations in Public Policy and Sustainable Food Crop Production. As an undergraduate, Natalie engaged with a variety of educational, research, and policy initiatives focused on environmental and climate justice. "I am excited

to intern with the State Historic Preservation Office on a project that falls at the intersection of my professional interests and my lifelong passion for history," says Natalie. By evaluating and measuring the impact of historic preservation in the state, Natalie hopes to strengthen her data analysis & outreach skills while learning how historic preservation benefits our communities.



Sam Newton is a second year UConn MPP student from West Hartford, CT. With an undergraduate degree in Economics and Statistics from UCONN, Sam will complete his master's degree next Spring. Sam is excited to join the SHPO team to assist and learn as much as possible about historic preservation and its overall impact on the economy. "I've always had an interest in visiting historical properties, sites, and museums," says Sam, "and as a statistics and economics major in undergrad at UConn I've always struck an interest with data and numbers." As an intern with the State Historic Preservation Office, these interests will merge and benefit us all with a better understanding of the economic impact of historic preservation to the state.

Sam and Natalie will be with the SHPO for the entire academic year and will study the impact of historic preservation on the economy in areas including quality of life, environmental sustainability, and social justice. We will be sure to publish their findings when they become available next Spring. Please join us in welcoming Natalie and Sam!