



U.S. Army photo courtesy of Scranton Army Ammunition Plant

**Room for Creativity**  
Zuri Ward, senior at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, learns the history of Scranton Army Ammunition Plant while documenting archived photos. During her 10 week Minority College Relations Program internship, Ward said the opportunity allowed her to develop her own project and opened up various possibilities for a journalism major.

## *For undergraduate, internship sparks opportunities*

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SCRANTON, Pa. -- A picture is worth a thousand words. And equally so, a thousand pictures can lay the foundation for quite a story.

A college student is helping one of the Joint Munitions Command installations preserve the memories of individuals who worked from the days those pictures were taken.

The mission: help those in the future to realize what occurred in the past.

That student is Zuri C. Ward, a college senior, who has been working as a summer intern at Scranton Army Ammunition Plant sponsored by the Minority College Relations Program. She has been tasked with organizing

historical articles and photographs of the facility to include contacting retired employees dating back to the 1960s.

Her supervisor, Tim Tuttle, found a box of old photographs for Ward to identify, label, and organize.

She made sure the photos were filed properly and preserved for as long as possible.

"I've had several gracious volunteers come in to help me with identifying the photographs. I was able to learn a great deal from these individuals," Ward said. "These people were retirees who have shared with me their special stories and allowed me to record their memories."

The photographs, as well as the audio interviews, will go into a historical collection and will be preserved

for years to come. "I am proud to be working on a project that is the first of its kind at Scranton. History is important to everyone and I am happy to have the opportunity and responsibility to make sure this history is preserved at Scranton. Every day is history in the making," Ward said.

Ward is from Raleigh, North Carolina, and attends the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in Greensboro. She is majoring in Journalism and Mass Communications with a concentration in Electronic Media and is set to graduate in May 2010.<sup>JM</sup><sub>C</sub>

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