

Change in Pace

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This month has been eventful for me. I had my last weeks of my rotation in the library and have moved to Campus Ministry. The switch took a little bit of time for me to adjust to because of the large differences in pace of both departments. Working in the library involved being part of a whirlwind of tasks whereas Campus Ministry has the relaxing nature of a spring afternoon breeze. A lot of this difference comes from the lack of students in Campus Ministry compared to the library. Most students that wander through Campus Ministry are dropping off forms or grabbing a mint on their way to English. These short interactions left me missing the library where I was able to have conversations with young Gonzaga scholars during their lunch or free periods.

This change in pace has made me appreciate the time I do get to spend around the students. Substitute teaching has become a highlight of my week rather than the break from the storm it was a couple of weeks ago. I also enjoy being in the cafeteria more than I did. Being able to joke and laugh with the kids in a relaxing setting was a regular occurrence, and being able to recapture some of the same feelings even for short moments during the day is something that I am grateful for.