Haley Adams, Summer 2017 Internship with the Smithsonian Institution

My summer internship experience involved working at the Smithsonian with Dr. William Fitzhugh and participating in fieldwork through the St. Lawrence Gateways project. I learned about many different areas of anthropology- from museum curatorial practices to arctic animals to North American archaeology. I enjoyed living on the Pitsiulak with the crew and learning how to conduct surveys and archaeological excavations in Quebec and Labrador. This unique internship experience allowed me to learn many practical skills, such as tying knots and using a trowel, and provided a hands on approach to learning the anthropology and history of the region. I was able to meet many people over the course of the summer and the time that I spent with them and the memories that we made were invaluable.