

Sarah Caroline Plowden



Education	University of Virginia (Fall 2009 – Spring 2013) Graduated with Distinction: English Cumulative GPA: 3.654 English (GPA: 3.735) Medieval Studies (GPA: 3.700)
Research and Study Abroad	Distinguished Majors Program in English Thesis (completed April 2013, grade – A+): <i>Havelok the Dane: Authority on Trial and the Case for an Ideal English Kingship</i> Medieval Studies Major Thesis (completed December 2012, grade – A+): Unknowing to Know the Unknown: The Role of the English Language in the Apophatic Contemplation of <i>The Cloud of Unknowing</i> Independent Study (Spring 2012): The Heroic Quest for Purpose: Living in the Modern World Independent Study (Fall 2011): The Parson, the Plowman, and the Cook: Chaucer's Response to the Peasants' Revolt of 1381 in London Summer Study (2011): London, Regent's College: The City of London
Honors	Jefferson Scholar Echols Scholar Distinguished Major in English Commendation for Leadership and Service, University of Virginia 21 Society (2013) Dean's List (GPA over 3.4) Entered as College Science Scholar
Languages Studied At U.Va.	Old English Latin, Summer Language Institute 2012, audited, voted "Best Student in the Class" French Old Icelandic
Leadership and Selected Activities	Medieval Studies Major Undergraduate Coordinator (Spring 2012 – Spring 2013) – Enhanced program unity by promoting awareness of the major, compiling a reference resource of past majors, and facilitating increased intellectual and social interaction among the current majors – Established the Undergraduate Medieval Colloquium (discussion group for the medievally inclined) College Council Major Representative, Medieval Studies (Fall 2012 – Spring 2013) English Honor Society, Vice President (Spring 2011 – Spring 2012) – Planned, publicized, and led club meetings and faculty lectures The Washington Literary Society and Debating Union (Spring 2011 – Spring 2013) Shakespeare on the Lawn – actor, stage manager, assistant stage manager (Fall 2009 – Spring 2013)
Work and Volunteer Experience	Barnes & Noble Booksellers – Bookseller (May 2010 – January 2011) Private SAT/ACT Math and Science Tutor (June 2009 – Present) Virginia Festival of the Book (Helped to facilitate small events) Days on the Lawn (Met with and toured prospective students) Madison House Tutoring Program (Tutored first graders in reading) Proofreader for Dr. David Cowart, Professor of English at the University of South Carolina (Summer 2010) – Acknowledged in <i>Thomas Pynchon and the Dark Passages of History</i> (2012)