

Seattle Art Museum
Unpaid Internship Description

Title: Curatorial Intern

Department/Location: Curatorial

Staff Mentor: Collections Coordinator, Assistant Curator for Modern and Contemporary Art

Learning Objectives: This internship will offer an introduction to curatorial work in a major museum and will serve as an opportunity to develop art research and writing skills while gaining familiarity with SAM's collection.

Intern Tasks:

- Produce researched essays to build museum records and/or contribute curatorial content to SAM Blog
- Contribute to continual updating and maintenance of records for artworks in the museum's collection
- Expected time commitment: average 10-15 hours/week, schedule is flexible within Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm office hours

Qualifications:

- Research skills demonstrable from education and/or work history
- Ability to write clearly and effectively
- Evident interest in pursuing museum work
- Ability to work with staff and volunteers in a professional manner on a variety of tasks
- Ability to communicate effectively to staff, volunteers and public
- Basic filing, typing and computer skills
- Ability to ask for help and accept supervision and evaluation of your work
- Abide by the Standards for Museum Volunteers/Interns as outlined in the Volunteer/Intern Packet

Physical Requirements:

- Manual dexterity
- Ability to lift up to 20 pounds

Education:

- Working towards or completed Bachelor's degree in art history or related field

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Submit via mail or email

- Letter of interest
- Resume
- SAM Internship Application (available at <http://www.seattleartmuseum.org/about-sam/careers#int>)
- Two letters of recommendation
- One writing sample of which you are proud

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