MUSEUM STUDIES CERTIFICATE

The Museum Studies certificate program prepares students for museum careers and graduate school while providing students with a greater understanding of museums and the important role they play in promoting education and cultural awareness on the local, national and international levels. Graduates of the Museum Studies program have become directors, curators, educators, and exhibit specialists in museums throughout the country. The Museum Studies program offers courses that are of value not only to students intending to pursue museum careers or continue their education, but also to those with a general interest in the arts, sciences, or humanities, as well as to those students who simply wish to know more about the workings of museums.

The certificate in Museum Studies requires **18 semester hours** and a **GPA of 2.0 or higher**.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

1. ______MUSM:3001 Introduction to Museum Studies (3 sh) **

2. **Choose FOUR courses from three of the following four Focus Areas (12 sh)**

   * courses are offered online ** courses are offered online and in person on a rotating schedule

   Collection Care and Management
   ______ MUSM:3003 Natural History Research Collections (3 sh)
   ______ MUSM:3090 Topics in Museum Studies (1 sh)
   ______ MUSM:3200 Collection Care and Management (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:4200 Advanced Collection Care and Management (3 sh)

   Exhibition Development and Public Education
   ______ MUSM:3004 Exhibition Planning (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:3105 Engaging Museum Audiences (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:3125 Museums in a Digital World (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:3131 Museum Evaluation and Visitor Studies

   History, Theory, and Culture
   ______ MUSM:2850 Museums and Social Justice (3 sh)
   ______ MUSM:3120 Museum Origins (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:3237 Politics of the Archaeological Past (3 sh)
   ______ MUSM:4081 The Art Museum: Theory and Practice (3 sh)

   Museum Administration and Management
   ______ MUSM:3100 Historic House Management and Preservation (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:3500 Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness I (3 sh)*
   ______ MUSM:4150 Introduction to Grant Writing (3 sh)*

3. ______MUSM:4080 Museum Internship (Arr. 3 sh)

   After completing at least 12 sh of the required course work above, students must complete the museum internship, earning a minimum of 3 sh.