

Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art

Intern Project Description Form

Staff contact name: Elizabeth King, Gallery Interpretation & Public Programs Manager

Department: Education

Title of Internship: Gallery Interpretation Intern – Spring 2019

Brief Description of Internship:

This intern will work closely with the Gallery Interpretation & Public Programs Manager to develop exhibition and collection-related trainings for docent educators. Docents lead tours and outreach opportunities for people of all ages and abilities.

Hours per week:

10 hours (During museum business hours: M-F 8am–5pm)

Must be available on Mondays, 8am – 12pm

Specific Duties: This intern will undertake a variety of activities in support of docent training.

- Develop PowerPoint presentations for use in bi-monthly gallery interpretation trainings for museum docents and docents-in-training.
- Participate in the development of innovative gallery tours that increase visitor engagement with collections and exhibitions.
- Assist with research and development for programs to connect museum content with K-12 curriculum.
- Research and write about selected collection objects featured in a variety of museum programs.
- Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications needed:

- Coursework in art history preferred
- Knowledge and experience with interpretation of visual materials
- Interest in education of various audiences
- Strong research, writing and communication skills
- Dependable and punctual; professional demeanor

Learning Objectives for intern:

- Gain experience and understanding in museum education practices
- Develop skills in research, interpretive planning and project development
- Develop professional skills in implementing programs to enhance understanding, enjoyment and engagement of artwork