

**Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art
Intern Project Description Form**

Staff Contact Name: Jade Powers, Curator of Contemporary Art

Department: Curatorial

Title of Internship: Curatorial Contemporary Intern

Brief Description of Internship: This internship will provide students with opportunities to develop skills and insights into curatorial research and planning. The intern will focus on projects in the Harn's Curatorial/Contemporary Art department. Activities will include participation in the development, care of, documentation and research, presentation, and interpretation of the Contemporary art collection at the Harn.

ONGOING Intern Project – offered every term

Specific Duties:

- Intern will strengthen their understanding of exhibition planning and collections building through research on art and artists related to the Harn's Contemporary collection.
- Intern will enjoy unique opportunities to assist in exhibition planning and installation, including preparation of design and layout, labels, and text panels.
- Intern will work on ongoing collection management projects including research, cataloguing of new acquisitions, expanding, and correcting existing records presently on the Harn data base.
- Intern will conduct research for upcoming diversity, equity, accessibility, and inclusion initiatives.
- Intern will participate in current or upcoming exhibition projects drawn from the Contemporary collection.
- Intern will compile object information and research materials for current or upcoming exhibitions.
- Intern will conduct research on new acquisitions and exhibitions.

Hours per week: 8-10 hours

Qualifications preferred:

- Strong research, writing, communication, and organizational skills
- Knowledge of art history and research on art history topics preferred
- Ability to work professionally with museum staff, volunteers & general public
- Interest in work to help with diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility initiatives
- Computer proficiency
- Available 8-10 hrs/wk during museum business hours: M – F 8 am -5 pm

Learning Objectives for intern:

- Develop professional skills applicable to a wide range of careers.
- Gain professional career experience in museum curatorial practices including exhibition research and development.
- Continue to develop research and writing skills in art history and humanities.
- Gain more in-depth knowledge on a select group of artists.

- Gain practical curatorial experience in the object-related activity on Contemporary art that pertains to the care and display of collections, maintaining documentation and developing interpretation to allow for their presentation to wide audiences