Krannert Art Museum Curatorial Internships

KAM curatorial internships are offered during the fall and spring semesters, as well as during the summer. They are compensated with academic credit hours, and are not salaried positions. Applicants do not need a background in art history to apply.

Internships require a commitment of at least 6 hours a week, and a letter of support from the student’s advisor. Applicants should have excellent communication and writing skills, computer proficiency, and research skills.

Availability is dependent upon curatorial needs. Interns are assigned to work with an individual curator, based on the student’s educational background, experience, and interests. The goal of KAM internships is to help individuals interested in museum careers or related fields gain significant experience in one or more areas of museum practice, including work with the collection, exhibitions, publications, and programs.

Students must have the support of their advisor to apply. The advisor will authorize and assist the student in enrolling in an independent study (or similar course) as credit for either 2 or 3 credit hours, in exchange for their work. A KAM curator will assume responsibility for overseeing and evaluating the student’s work at the museum, while the advisor will ensure the student receives proper credit in return. The curator will assign a letter grade at the end of the internship.

Computing Academic Credit Hours:
2 credit hours = 6 hours of work per week, 90 hours total
3 credit hours = 9 hours of work per week, 135 hours total

Application Procedure:
For the application, you will need to prepare the following materials and submit them to purpura@illinois.edu before AUGUST 13 2018

1. Cover Letter
   Along with your mailing address, e-mail, and telephone information, include a personal statement of no more than 500 words, which explains how an internship at KAM would fit with your background and career goals. If possible, mention specific subjects, resources, or parts of the collections that are of particular interest. Describe what you hope to learn from the internship.

2. Resume/Curriculum Vitae
   Please limit resumes to three pages or less.

3. Letter of Recommendation
   Your advisor must submit a letter of recommendation outlining their support for the internship and their willingness to ensure that credit hours will be given as compensation.