MUSEUM STUDIES CERTIFICATE

The University of Alabama is pleased to offer an interdisciplinary graduate certificate in museum studies intended for graduate students who are either majoring in a traditional museum content discipline such as art history, history, anthropology, American studies, geology, or biology; or students who have already completed graduate degrees in these disciplines. Students who complete the certificate program will be qualified for a variety of entry-level professional positions in museums in areas such as museum education, collections management, exhibit planning and development, and museum administration.

Generally defined as the study of all aspects of the theory and practice of museum operations, museum studies includes the history and background of museums, their role in society, and specific systems for research, conservation, education, organization, and administration. This certificate program combines education in traditional academic subjects together with coursework in museum theory and practices, and practical museum field experience.

Admissions

Consistent with the Graduate School's requirements, an applicant to the museum studies certificate program must have completed a bachelor's degree and be currently enrolled in a master's or doctoral program of study at The University of Alabama, or have completed a graduate degree. Applicants not currently enrolled in a graduate program of study at The University of Alabama must submit the required materials, including a statement of purpose and two letters of recommendation, to the Museum Studies Internship Coordinator.

An applicant whose credentials meet the following minimum requirements may be considered for regular, unconditional admission to the museum studies certificate program:

 GPA: The applicant must have a GPA of 3.0 overall, 3.0 in the last 60 hours in a degree program, or 3.0 for a completed graduate degree program.

A student may be admitted with Permission to Continue if he/she falls below the expected criteria.

See the Admission Criteria section of this catalog for more information.

Curricular Requirements

The certificate program requires completing 15 credit hours, including three core courses. The remaining six hours will come from a list of electives pre-approved by the Museum Studies Advisory Board, allowing students the flexibility to tailor their program of study to their specific career goals

Museum Stud	Hours	
MUSM 500	Museum Internship (Museum Internship)	3
MUSM 501	Museum Administration	3
MUSM 502 or	Museum Collections Management	3
MUSM 503	Museum Education & Exhibition	
Please select	6	
AMS 507	Landscapes of the South	
AMS 512	On The Road	
AMS 521	Writer & Artist in America	
AMS 522	Popular Culture in America	

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	AMS 529	American between the Wars
	AMS 532	Studies In The Arts
	AMS 585	American Experience to 1865
	AMS 545	The "Good War"
	AMS 565	Fictions of American Identity
	AMS 585	American Experience to 1865
	ANT 509	Ancient Maya Civilizations
	ANT 509	Ancient Maya Civilizations
	ANT 514	Anthropology of Africa
	ANT 544	Anthropology And Cemeteries
	ANT 550	Probs In Anthropology
	ANT 550	Probs In Anthropology
	ARH 550	Literature Of Art
	ANT 575	The Plastic Human
	ANT 621	Native Americans Ethnohy Persp
	ARH 565	Topics in Renaissance Art
	ARH 577	American Art Seminar
	ARH 580	Twentieth-Century Seminar (Representing Conflict only)
	BSC 695	Spec Topics Biolog Sci
	CIS 650	Seminar in C&IS
	CIS 652	Sem Culture Criti Rhetor Stdy
	CIS 669	Sem: Visual Communication
	COM 565	Intercultural Communication
	EN 640	Spec Topics Sem American Lit
	GEO 516	Volcanology
	GEO 525	Adv Topics In Geology
	GY 589	Forest Eco Veg Analysis
	HY 601	Literature Of American History
	HY 603	Literature European Hist
	HY 605	Lit Latin Amercn History
	HY 607	Prosem Us HY Since 1877
	HY 608	Prosem Southern History
	HY 665	Special Studies
	LS 500	Info Sci & Tech
	LS 533	Spec Libr & Info Centrs
	LS 541	Youth Programming
	LS 555	Intro Archival Studies
	LS 556	Archival Theory & Practice
		Museum Collections Management
		Museum Education & Exhibition
		Exhibit Design & Production
	REL 501	Social Theory Foundations
	REL 502	Public Humanities Foundations
	TH 530	Hy Costume For Stage Prob Th Arts: Posign (Process and Model Making
	TH 628	Prob Th Arts: Design (Process and Model Making only)
	TH 636	Costume Design through the Age
	TH 671	Leadership in the Arts
	TH 673	Financial Management

7	Total Hours		15
	TH 678	Board Relations and Planning	
	TH 676	Marketing The Arts	
	TH 674	Public Policy In Arts	

Transfer Credit

Graduate School information on Transfer Credit.

Time Limits for Degree Completion Requirements

Graduate School information on Time Limits for Degrees.

Academic Misconduct Information

Graduate School information on Academic Misconduct.

Withdrawals and Leaves of Absence Information

Graduate School information on Withdrawals and Leaves of Absence.

Academic Grievances Information

Graduate School information on Academic Grievances.

Grades and Academic Standing

Graduate School information on Grades and Academic Standing.