

Museum Studies (MSM)

Museum of the North

[Museum Research Apprenticeship Program](#)

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MSM F211 Fundamentals of Museum Studies I

3 Credits

Offered Fall and Spring

Origin, structure and development of museums, types of museums and their functions, professional directions and ethics. Collection management systems and techniques, role and ethics of museum conservation.

Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

MSM F212 Fundamentals of Museum Studies II

3 Credits

Museum education, including educational goals and objectives, the museum visitor, program development and publicity. A comprehensive survey of exhibits theory and practices, museum management, administrative frameworks, legal considerations and financial management.

Prerequisites: MSM F211.

Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

MSM F311 Museum Administration

3 Credits

Administrative philosophy and procedures in public and private, large and small museums; the types and sources of support and interactions with local and national supportive groups.

Prerequisites: MSM F211 and MSM F212.

Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

MSM F312 Museum Collection Management

3 Credits

Basic curatorial techniques and problems. Field collecting and other forms of acquisition through accessioning, cataloging, preparation, exhibit, teaching and research.

Prerequisites: MSM F211 and MSM F212.

Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

MSM F487 Museum Practicum

3 Credits

Supervised participation in one or more phases of museum operations or disciplines.

Prerequisites: MSM F211 and MSM F212.

Lecture + Lab + Other: 0 + 0 + 9

Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

MSM F488 Individual Research: Field Collecting Museum Specimens

3 Credits

Philosophies, purposes and goals of field collection, procedures for collecting museum specimens, and methods of handling before they reach the museum. Field trips may be required. By arrangement with the appropriate curator(s). May be repeated for credit with permission of instructor.

Prerequisites: MSM F211 and MSM F212 and prior disciplinary preparation.

Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus