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