Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art

World of Work

Who? 9th-12th grade public, private, or homeschool students throughout Oregon

What? World of Work is a 3-month hands-on paid internship program for high school students at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art (JSMA). World of Work interns will be exposed to a variety of museum departments and work under the mentorship of museum professionals and practicing artists to:

• Lead art lessons in the JSMA Art Studio or remotely for children in grades 1-5 and off-site in healthcare, community, and school settings
• Assist in teaching children and adults with disabilities
• Learn job skills and personal development such as resume writing
• Be involved in museum events and activities
• Learn the fundamentals of art creation such as printmaking, painting, or drawing
• Gain a clear idea about the careers available in museums

World of Work interns will be paid a $700 stipend at the close of the program and receive an LTD bus pass for use during their internship period.

When? World of Work interns will be applying for the Summer 2021 term, which runs from June 30 to September 30. The time commitment is 50 hours over the course of the term.

Applications are due Wednesday, May 26, 2021.

Why? World of Work provides students with “ready to work” practical skills and essential 21st century skills by actively engaging them in the museum’s work. World of Work interns will be mentored by JSMA professional staff to provide meaningful exposure to museum and gallery careers. WoW interns will gain skills transferable to effective leadership, visual thinking, creativity, strong written and verbal communication, and artistic expression. Interns will also establish relationships with University of Oregon students, faculty, and staff and become familiar with the university setting.

How? The student interested in the position must submit the completed World of Work application form, a separate document with answered essay questions, and two letters of reference by May 26. These documents must be submitted all together and sent from the student or guardian. Send to Erica Rife, JSMA World of Work Coordinator: erife7@uoregon.edu

Intern candidates will be contacted for an internship once all materials are submitted.

Questions? Contact Erica Rife, JSMA World of Work Coordinator, at 520.977.2047 or erife7@uoregon.edu
World of Work: Internship Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: ____________________________________________

Street Address: ___________________________________

City: ___________________ Zip Code: ________________

Phone Number: _________________________________

Email: _________________________________________

School: _________________________________________

Grade: _________________________________________

SCHEDULE AVAILABILITY

The museum is staffed 8 am-5 pm on weekdays, 11 am-5 pm on weekends, and some weekday evenings. Indicate all the times on the following days you would be available to intern during the term for which you are applying:

Mondays: _______________________________________

Tuesdays: ______________________________________

Wednesdays: ____________________________________

Thursdays: _____________________________________

Fridays: _______________________________________

Saturdays: ______________________________________

Sundays: _______________________________________
REFERENCES
List the names of two references who will send letters of recommendation. One must be an academic reference; the other may be either a personal or academic reference. Reference letters should be submitted directly to Erica Rife at erife7@uoregon.edu

Reference 1 (must be an academic reference):
Name:  
Relationship:  
Phone:  
Email:  

Reference 2 (may be an academic or personal, not family, reference):
Name:  
Relationship:  
Phone:  
Email:  

ESSAY QUESTIONS
Please answer both essay questions on a separate sheet of paper. Each response should be typed and approximately 500 words. Each page should be numbered and include your name.

1. What is your level of experience creating and/or viewing art? How has art impacted your life, and why is it important to you?

2. What are your career and personal life goals? How can art, or the skills you will learn in this program, help you achieve these goals?

Applicant Signature Date
Submit completed application to: Erica Rife by email to erife7@uoregon.edu