Art History

Marketable Skills

Art History majors develop professional skills including:
- Strong critical thinking skills
- Strong writing and visual analysis skills
- Ability to present ideas and analysis to audiences
- The ability to find, collect, and evaluate published research and primary sources
- An aptitude for creative problem-solving and decision-making

Internships provide additional skills including:
- Museum and gallery publicity and public events organizing
- Facilitating discussion of art works and presenting in front of groups
- Experience documenting, preserving, and displaying historically valuable art and objects
- Experience working with others on team-oriented projects

Relevant Fields

- Art Administration / Arts Management
- Arts Advocacy Organizations
- Art and Cultural Criticism
- Arts Publishing and Editorial Work
- Digital Arts Publication
- Museum Collections Management
- Museum Activities Publicity
- Museum Staffing and Support
- Museum Development and Fund-raising
- Visual Resources and Archival Curatorship
- Museum Education

Sample Occupational Titles

Bachelor’s Degree:
- Bibliographer
- Art History Teacher
- Archivist Assistant
- Curatorial Assistant
- Events Coordinator
- Research Assistant
- Gallery Assistant
- Editorial Assistant
- Museum Development Assistant

Advanced Degree: MA
- Art Therapist
- Conservator Assistant
- Historic Preservation Assistant
- Community College Instructor
- Digital Librarian
- Gallery Curator
- Event Organizer
- Visual Resources Curator
- Museum Educator
Advanced Degree: PhD
- University Professor
- Archivist
- Conservator
- Historic Preservation Officer
- Program Director, Arts Advocacy
- Museum Curator
- Museum Education Director
- Museum Collections Manager

Print Resources

Find these titles and additional books, periodicals, and handouts in the Career Resource Library:

- Career Opportunities in Education and Related Services by Susan Echaore-McDavid
- Great Jobs for Art Majors by Blythe Camenson
- Opportunities in Museum Careers by Blythe Camenson

Online Resources

Visit these websites and others listed in our School-Specific Resources:

- Conservation Online at www.cool.conservation-us.org
- Idealist at www.idealist.org
- Jobster at www.jobster.com
- Museum Employment Resource Center at www.museum-employment.com
- Occupational Outlook Handbook at www.bls.gov/oco
- O*NET Resource Center at www.onetcenter.org
- Vault at www.vault.com

Professional Associations

The following professional associations offer career-related information and job listings:

- American Association of Museums at www.aam-us.org
- Art Museum Network at www.amn.org
- College Art Association at www.collegeart.org

Find more professional associations at American Society of Association Executives at www.asaecenter.org/Directories/AssociationSearch.cfm