**Undergraduate**

**Certificate Programs**

**Museum Studies**

**Certificate in Museum Studies**

The Museum Studies Program offers an 18 credit hour undergraduate certificate in museum studies designed to complement a bachelor’s degree and to prepare students for a career in museums or for graduate study. Many of the courses take advantage of the excellent museum community in Indianapolis with behind-the-scenes tours of museums and guest lectures by experts in the field. The Museum Studies Program is interdisciplinary and draws students from the arts, humanities, and social sciences, as well as from the hard sciences.

The undergraduate core courses provide a firm introduction to the theory, methodology, and practice of museum work. An internship in a museum provides the opportunity to apply skills, gain experience, and develop professional relationships. A range of electives is recommended to allow exploration of areas of interest or to develop deeper knowledge in a more specialized aspect of museum work.

**Admission** to the undergraduate **Certificate program in Museum Studies (MSTD)**requires the following:

* ~~55 credit hours completed of university study,~~
* A minimum GPA of 2.0,
* ~~A declared major field of study~~
* to declare the certificate, complete the School of Liberal Arts online declaration form: https://liberalarts.iupui.edu/updatemajor/

The **Certificate program in Museum Studies (MSTD)**requires satisfactory completion of the following:

* Completion of **18** credit hours in the curriculum below, with a minimum grade of C in each course.

**Certificate Requirements:**

**Museum theory and history (6 cr.): minimum of 3 cr. in MSTD**

* MSTD A101: Understanding Museums
* MSTD-A 403: Introduction to Museum Studies (3 cr.) (required if the student begins the program with 55 credits or more and has not already completed MSTD A101)
* HIST-H 195: Introduction to Digital Humanities (3 cr.)
* HIST-A 200: Introduction to Public History in the United States
* HIST-H 217: The Nature of History (3 cr.)
* HER H210: Interpreting Art and Its History

**Museum methods (9 cr.):**

* MSTD-A 405: Museum Methods (3 cr.)

And two from the following list of electives

* MSTD-A 410: Museum Education (3 cr.)
* MSTD-A 412: Exhibit Planning and Design (3 cr.)
* MSTD-A 413: Curatorial Practices
* MSTD-A 414: Museums and Technology (3 cr.)
* MSTD-A 416: Collections Care and Management (3 cr.)
* MSTD-A 417: Preventive Conservation
* MSTD-A 418: Museums and Audiences (3 cr.)
* MSTD-A 440: Cultural Heritage (3 cr.)
* MSTD-A 460: Current Topics in Museum Studies *(*variable topics- approved examples include: Community collaboration and curation, Curatorial Practices Exhibit Planning and Design Studio, Museum Theatre, Native American Representation, Indigenous Object Care, Object Based Learning (3 cr.). See schedule for current offerings
* MSTD-A 494: Independent Learning in Museum Studies (1-6 cr.)
* Additional approved electives from MSTD and other departments. See current schedule for course listing. (ex. ANTH-E 320: Indians of North America), ANTH-P 340: Modern Material Culture; HER-H 460: Visual Culture; HIST-A 207: Introduction to Native American History)

**Practical museum work (3 cr.):** 3 credits required in a museum internship

* MSTD-A 408: Museum Internship (3 cr.) *(prerequisites: MSTD-A 403 & MSTD-A 405 or permission of instructor)*