

MFAH Internship/Fellowship Description

Intern/Fellow Title:	Curatorial Fellow, Art of the Islamic Worlds
Academic Level:	Graduate
Supervisor:	Aimée Froom, Curator, Art of the Islamic Worlds
Department:	Art of the Islamic Worlds
Dates of Internship/Fellowship Term:	June 3-August 9, 2019

Project Overview:

- A major upcoming exhibition and catalogue publication project related to ceramics
- Management of the long-term installation, *Arts of Islamic Lands: Selections from the al-Sabah Collection, Kuwait*
- Object research and preparation for future rotations of the permanent collection

Learning Goals and Objectives:

- The fellow will become familiar with museum practices and daily operations, including but not limited to gallery rotations, exhibition planning, and The Museum System database.
- She or he will gain original and secondary research skills.
- As part of his or her training and mentoring, the fellow will have the rare opportunity to look at original works of art on a regular basis with a curator and develop his or her eye.

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities:

- Art History background required
- Coursework in Islamic art required
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to work both collaboratively and independently required
- Library and internet skills required
- Strong communication skills preferred
- Language skills preferred but not required (Persian, Arabic)

Education and Eligibility

- Graduate level: Students currently enrolled in a graduate program or who recently completed (within one year) a Master's degree or Ph.D. are eligible for this opportunity.

Anticipated Schedule:

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- The internship will comprise 350 hours (35 hours per week for 10 weeks), which will begin on Monday, June 3 and should be completed by Friday, August 9, 2019. *If necessary, hours/days missed can be made up by Friday, August 23, 2019.*
- Monday through Friday, 9 to 5 pm (with hour-long lunch).
- The first two weeks will include approximately 10 hours of orientations (including human resources, information technology, library, etc.)
- Interns and fellows have the opportunity to participate in professional development sessions organized by staff in the Department of Learning and Interpretation during the first week of the summer term and during regular “brown bag” lunches scheduled throughout the summer. During these professional development opportunities, MFAH interns and fellows convene to learn about different aspects of museum careers and the MFAH’s operations.

Graduate Fellowship Stipend:

- Summer graduate fellows receive a \$4900 stipend (\$14/hour) for the 10 week summer internship.

Application Instructions and Deadline:

Please submit the following materials to interns@mfah.org.

- Application Form
- Letter of interest describing your experience and professional goals as relevant to this opportunity (maximum 1000 words)
- Résumé/CV
- Additional materials requested
 - Writing sample of no more than 25 pages max

When submitting application materials, please include the name of the internship or fellowship, in the subject line of your email. The deadline for applications for the MFAH Summer 2019 Internship and Fellowship program is **Monday, March 25, 2019**.