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2015–2016
McDermott Internships

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015

Nine paid internships available (five in curatorial, four in education)
All positions begin September 8, 2015.

Apply online at DMA.org/internships.
For over forty years, the Dallas Museum of Art, through the help of the Eugene McDermott Education Fund, has offered paid internship positions in the Museum's Education and Curatorial departments. As one of the oldest and most respected internship programs in the country, the McDermott Internship Program allows interns to work closely with staff throughout the Museum and provides the opportunity to gain an in-depth and well-rounded perspective on museum work. Interns are offered opportunities to explore Dallas's rich cultural scene through performances, museum visits, and collection tours.

Nine internship positions are available, four in the Museum's Education Department and five in the Curatorial Department. All positions begin on September 8, 2015, and serve until May 2016, with the exception of the McDermott Intern for Family and Access Teaching, who serves until August 2016. Undergraduate stipends are $15,200 and graduate stipends are $17,100 for all positions except the McDermott Intern for Family and Access Teaching, which is $20,000 or $22,500, respectively. Interns are also allowed $500 toward qualified professional development. Complete descriptions are listed below.

Curatorial Department Internships (five positions available)

MCDERMOTT CURATORIAL INTERN (VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS) & DEDO AND BARRON KIDD MCDERMOTT CURATORIAL INTERN FOR EUROPEAN ART: Curatorial interns will be designated to work in one or more of the Museum’s collection areas, where they will experience the full range of activities, including acquisition preparations, gallery installations, research and document projects involving the Museum’s collection, and publication projects and special exhibitions. Collection areas include African, American, European, Ancient American, Ancient Mediterranean, Asian, Contemporary, Decorative Arts and Design, and Pacific Islands. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate or graduate degree in art history or a related field.

Education Department Internships (four positions available)

MCDERMOTT INTERN FOR ADULT PROGRAMMING: The intern will assist with the development, implementation, and promotion of numerous gallery programs, lectures, performances, and special events for adults throughout the year, including Arts & Letters Live, the literary and performing arts series at the Museum. The intern will assist in program management and will work closely with guest speakers, performers, volunteers, and the public. The work week for this position is Monday–Friday with additional nights and weekends required. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate or graduate degree in art history, art education, or the humanities.

MCDERMOTT INTERN FOR FAMILY AND ACCESS TEACHING: The intern will assist with family and access programs, including First Tuesdays, Late Nights, early learning classes, and programming for visitors with special needs. The intern will receive practical exposure to art museum work, including teaching a variety of visitors in the galleries, developing art-making activities for visitors of all ages, and working with performers and artists. The intern will assist in the research, planning, and implementation of art programs and materials for children, families, and visitors with special needs. The work week for this position is Monday–Friday with occasional weekends required, and the position lasts twelve months. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate or graduate degree in art history, art education, or studio art.

MCDERMOTT INTERN FOR GALLERY AND COMMUNITY TEACHING: The intern will assist with the planning and implementation of teaching programs in the galleries and in the community, including docent and Go van Gogh® volunteer training, student tours, and school outreach. The intern will regularly lead tours for students and adult visitors, as well as classroom experiences for K–6th grade through the Go van Gogh® school outreach program. The intern will assist with research and development of materials for tours and for Go van Gogh® and may assist with professional development programs for teachers. The work week for this position is Monday–Friday with occasional weekends required. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate or graduate degree in art history, art education, or the humanities.

MCDERMOTT INTERN FOR VISITOR ENGAGEMENT: The intern will assist with programming to engage visitors both on-site and off-site, focusing on the Center for Creative Connections and the community. The intern will help develop, implement, and evaluate interactive displays and art-making programs for people of all ages. The intern will interact with visitors and engage in outreach at community events and festivals. The intern will work closely with staff to organize logistics for programs and will lead participatory activities in the galleries and studio. The work week for this position is Tuesday–Saturday with additional nights and weekends required. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate or graduate degree in art education, studio art, or a related field. Bilingual in Spanish suggested.

Dallas Museum of Art internships are made possible by the Eugene McDermott Education Fund. Individual health insurance coverage is available at personal cost.