

# BLANTON MUSEUM OF ART

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**POSITION:** Association of Art Museum Directors (AAMD) Internship

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE:** 1

**REPORTS TO:** Director's Office, Blanton Museum of Art

**HOURS:** 35/week

**DATES:** May 23, 2022 – August 12, 2022 (12 consecutive weeks)

**COMPENSATION:** \$6,300 stipend at \$15/hour, to be paid in pro-rated increments at the end of each month.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Blanton Museum of Art at The University of Texas at Austin has been selected as one of ten North American museums to participate in the Association of Art Museum Directors' (AAMD) paid internship program for college students from underrepresented communities. The program provides an opportunity for undergraduate students to explore museum careers, receive mentorship in the field, and get hands-on experience for 12 weeks during the summer of 2022, while providing the financial support necessary to increase access to internship participation.

At the Blanton, the selected intern will work in the Director's Office focusing on projects related to institutional priorities, such as the new grounds initiative and Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion (DEAI) initiatives. They will work closely with a mentor—a member of the museum's senior leadership team—throughout their 12 weeks to ensure there are opportunities for conversation, feedback, direction, and questions, as well as longer-term career guidance. They will also have an opportunity to work with other museum staff from curatorial, development, and marketing. In addition, the selected intern will be provided with two networking and professional development opportunities to meet their fellow interns from other institutions.

The internship is intended as a hybrid work model, with the possibility of a full remote model should the University of Texas at Austin or the Blanton be unable to support a hybrid work model in summer 2022. The application is open to University of Texas at Austin students in their sophomore, junior, or senior year. Students from underrepresented backgrounds and groups who are interested in pursuing a career in art museums are encouraged to apply.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Attend and participate in weekly project construction meetings and join on-site reviews related to the New Grounds Initiative

- Attend and participate in meetings related to developing opening events for the community to experience the new grounds
- Organize digital archive of project images
- Help develop presentations to promote the New Grounds Initiative to Austin community groups
- Attend and participate in meetings related to museum DEAI committees
- Research DEAI initiatives at other organizations, build on museum's growing archive of DEAI resources, and share findings with Blanton colleagues
- Help develop short- and long-range timelines for various DEAI initiatives
- Other duties, as assigned

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Enrolled at the University of Texas at Austin
- Ability to work independently and in a collaborative environment
- Ability to manage multiple concurrent projects and meet deadlines; excellent organizational and interpersonal skills
- Excellent writing, editing, and proofreading skills

#### **ABOUT THE BLANTON:**

Founded in 1963, the Blanton Museum of Art holds the largest public collection in Central Texas with more than 21,000 objects. Recognized as the home of Ellsworth Kelly's *Austin*, its major collecting areas are modern and contemporary American and Latin American art, Italian Renaissance and Baroque paintings, and prints and drawings. The Blanton offers thought-provoking, visually arresting, and personally moving encounters with art.

#### **TO APPLY, PLEASE SEND:**

- Letter of interest
- Resume/CV
- Contact information for two professional or academic references
- OPTIONAL: Recent academic writing sample

Submit the above materials via email in PDF format only (please no DOC files) to [internships@blantonmuseum.org](mailto:internships@blantonmuseum.org) by **Monday, March 28, 2022, at 11:59pm**. Candidates will be notified regarding a decision by mid-April.