

## Museum Management Requirements

The GW Museum Studies program is a 36-credit degree. Upon entering the program, every student selects a Museum Studies track in one of four areas:

- Museum Management
- Collections Management
- Exhibitions and Visitor Experience
- Public Engagement

All students will complete one core course entitled **Museum Ethics & Values**, **one internship**, **five (5) required courses** in the selected track, and **five (5) electives**. Electives may be drawn from within Museum Studies (including a second internship) or up to four (4) courses from outside the program. Throughout your program, you should work with your advisor to ensure that you will meet program requirements and your own career and educational goals.

### Museum Management Track

Students develop skills in ethical leadership, sustainable management, practical operations, and innovative problem-solving. The courses provide a holistic educational experience that recognizes the interconnected nature of the museum field and combines essential traditional management skills with modern technological competencies. Students are prepared to manage operations, lead departments, oversee projects, and coordinate staff and volunteers in large museums, or to serve as executive or assistant directors in smaller institutions.

#### Required courses (all tracks)

- CMST 6107 Museum Ethics and Values (during your first year)
- CMST 6501 Internship (available after your first semester)

#### Required courses (management track)

- CMST 6101 Museum Management
- CMST 6601 Creating Sustainable Museums
- CMST 6105 Museum Fundraising
- CMST 6104 Managing People and Projects

#### And select one (1) of the following courses

- CMST 6109 Museum Governance
- CMST 6201 Introduction to Collections Management
- CMST 6308 Critical Visitor Experience
- CMST 6601 Introduction to Curatorial Practice
- CMST 6704 Museums and Cultural Property