

2026–2027 Academic Year Internship Program

Dates: October 19, 2026 – May 14, 2027

Reports to: Department Supervisors

FLSA Status: Paid Internship (\$18/hour)

Commitment: 14 hours per week

Applications due: August 28, 2026

Academic Year Internship Overview

Open to current undergraduate and graduate students at U.S. universities, the 2026–2027 Jewish Museum Academic Year Internship Program welcomes applicants interested in working in Education or Curatorial departments. During the program, interns will be required to work on-site under the guidance of a staff member. This is a part-time internship that requires on-site availability at the Museum two days per week (14 hours total) from mid-October 2026 through early May 2027.

Education Department Internship

Interns in the Education Department will contribute to the development and implementation of programs serving a wide range of audiences—including students (pre-K through university), teachers, families, adults, and individuals with disabilities. The department develops and manages classes, public programs, and gallery tours, with a strong emphasis on accessibility and inclusive learning. Interns will assist with program planning, research, and visitor engagement, gaining experience in museum education and public programming.

Curatorial Department Internship

Members of the Curatorial Department research, develop, and organize the Museum's special exhibitions and oversee its collection of approximately 30,000 objects spanning 3,500 years of the intersection of art and Jewish culture. Curators are responsible for acquisitions, interpretive frameworks, scholarly research, catalogues, and exhibitions. Interns will help with conducting primary and secondary research for upcoming museum exhibitions and planned or prospective acquisitions, drafting and submission of loan requests, and editing label texts, among other tasks.

Shoshanna and David Wingate Graduate Curatorial Internship

This internship—made possible through the generosity of Shoshanna and David Wingate—is open to one graduate student preparing for a future curatorial career. Intended for current M.A. or Ph.D. students in art history or related fields at U.S. universities, the Wingate Internship offers a unique and immersive opportunity to support exhibition development and acquisition research under the guidance of a Jewish Museum curator.

The ideal candidate will demonstrate strong writing skills and experience in object-based research, possess the ability to engage with advanced art historical scholarship and relevant literature, conduct library and archival research efficiently, and have graduate-level knowledge of European and American modern and contemporary art. Familiarity with Jewish history and culture is welcome but not required.

The Wingate Graduate Intern will work closely with a curator who will serve as both supervisor and mentor.

Requirements:

Current university student (B.A., M.A., Ph.D. level)

Availability to work onsite

Interest in museum work, art, and Jewish culture

All interns must have valid U.S. work authorization.

To Apply:

Send resume and cover letter to interns@thejm.org. [Click here to complete the required Internship Application](#). You must download the PDF to fill out the form.

Please type the department position to which you are applying in the internship application form under "type of internship sought."
