

## **School of Art + Art History Vacancy Announcement**

### **Assistant/Associate Professor and Director of Museum Studies**

**Position Description:** Full-time, nine month, tenure accruing faculty position

**Date of Expected Hire:** August 16, 2016

**Salary:** Commensurate with qualifications and experience. Includes a comprehensive benefits package.

The University of Florida School of Art + Art History, College of the Arts, invites applications for a Director of its Museum Studies Program. Our 2.5 year interdisciplinary M.A. program is one of the most highly regarded and selective Museum Studies Programs in the U.S. We seek candidates for this tenure track faculty position who have a research specialization in Museum Studies and/or: Art History, Archaeology, Anthropology, Arts Administration or other appropriate field.

**Responsibilities:** To provide administrative leadership to the graduate Museum Studies program; teach graduate courses in Museum Studies (history and philosophy of museums, installation design, collections management, etc.); advise graduate students; engage faculty from diverse disciplines; conduct a program of scholarly research appropriate to Museum Studies and/or area of specialization for the terminal degree; participate in service to school, college, university, community, and profession. Candidates must be able to work with students pursuing careers in a range of disciplines and institutions (e.g. museums of art, history, science, technology, etc.)

**Minimum Requirements:** Excellent scholar and committed teacher; terminal degree in Museum Studies, Art History, Archaeology, Anthropology, Arts Administration or equivalent professional experience in museum work; professional museum experience is required.

**Preferred Qualifications:** Associate Professor or advanced Assistant Professor with an established record of research, teaching and service or other relevant professional experience.

**Application Deadline:** Applications must be submitted via the University of Florida's online application system at <http://explore.jobs.ufl.edu/cw/en-us/job/495794/assistantassociate-professor-and-director-of-the-museum-studies-program> Online applications must include the following: (1) a detailed letter of application; (2) a C.V.; (3) list of three professional references with contact information; (4) pdfs or links to representative publications or other relevant work. The Search Committee may request additional materials at a later time. Review of applications will begin February 15, 2016 and continue until an applicant pool is established. To ensure full consideration, all application documents must be submitted by February 15, 2016. Applications received after this date may be considered at the discretion of the committee and/or hiring authority.

Inquiries may be sent to:

Dr. Melissa Hyde

Chair, Museum Studies Director Search

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If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call +1 (352) 392- 4621 or the Florida Relay System at +1 (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff., seeking faculty of all races, ethnicities, genders, backgrounds, experiences, perspectives and those who practice conduct of inclusion.

The selection process will be conducted in accord with the provisions of Florida's Government in the Sunshine and Public Records Laws. Search committee meetings and interviews will be open to the public, and applications, resumes, and any other documents related to the search will be available for public inspection.

#### **THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA:**

The University of Florida is a comprehensive learning institution built on a land grant foundation. We are The Gator Nation, a diverse community dedicated to excellence in education and research and shaping a better future for Florida, the

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nation and the world. Our mission is to enable our students to lead and influence the next generation and beyond for economic, cultural and societal benefit. UF is a graduate research institution with 50,000 students and membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities. Gainesville, which is consistently ranked as one of the nation's most livable cities, is located midway between the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean. Together, the University and the community comprise the educational, medical and cultural center of North Central Florida, with outstanding resources such as the University of Florida Performing Arts (Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, the Baughman Center, University Auditorium), the Harn Museum of Art, the Florida Museum of Natural History and the Hippodrome State Theatre.

**COLLEGE OF THE ARTS:**

The College of the Arts fosters creative activity, scholarly and artistic excellence and innovation across disciplines. We achieve the university's mission by training professionals and educating students as artists and scholars, while developing their critical thinking and inspiring a culture of curiosity and imagination. The College offers baccalaureate, masters and doctoral degrees. Approximately 1,100 students are pursuing majors in degrees offered by the College of the Arts under the direction of 100 faculty members in its three accredited schools — the School of Art + Art History, School of Music, School of Theatre + Dance. In addition to its schools, the college comprises the Center for Arts and Public Policy, Center for Arts in Medicine, Center for World Arts, Digital Worlds Institute, University Galleries and the college program of the New World School of the Arts in Miami.

**SCHOOL OF ART + ART HISTORY:**

Organized within the College of the Arts, the School of Art + Art History plays an important role in the academic life of the university and in the community. The school has 34 full-time faculty, 320 undergrad students and more than 120 graduate students. Degree programs include the B.A., B.F.A., M.A., M.F.A. and Ph.D. Areas of study include visual art studies, art history, art education, museum studies, studio art (art + technology, ceramics, creative photography, drawing, graphic design, painting, printmaking and sculpture). University Galleries—University Gallery, Focus Gallery and Grinter Gallery— also provide laboratories for professional and student artwork. The University of Florida is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. The art education program is accredited by NCATE. For more information, visit [www.arts.ufl.edu/art](http://www.arts.ufl.edu/art).

**MUSEUMS:** U.F. has two accredited museums and an art gallery, all with national reputations. The Harn Museum of Art, one of the largest university art museums in the southeast and ranked among the top public university art museums in the country by the Association of Art Museum Directors' annual statistical survey, presents innovative programming across campus and the community, and offers frequently changing exhibitions. The Harn Eminent Scholar Program in Art History links the School and the Harn Museum. The Florida Museum of Natural History is the largest natural history museum in the southeast, with historical, ethnological, and natural history holdings and an exceptional research staff of some 30 curators. Its greatest strengths are natural history collections and collections-based research. The University Gallery, the Gary R. Libby Gallery and Grinter Galleries also provide laboratories for student work.