



Funding Request Form FY2021

Department should complete one form for each individual request

Department:

University Art Galleries

Program, Service or Operation Requested:

Student Internships

General Description:

Funding is being requested to support paid student internships in the areas of collections and art educational programming

Request Type:

Full Increase One-Time Partial/Matching

Type of Funds Requested:

UAF Other

General Questions

How does this address an important need and/or positively impact students?

With the rapid growth of the collections and impending major donations, the department is in desperate need of additional help to reduce the backlog in cataloguing and condition assessment. Additionally, the Stark Galleries has been without a Curator of Education since 2014 and the director has absorbed those additional duties since that time. This has resulted in fewer programs being offered to students and the community. We have an opportunity to partner with such units as the Museum Studies program, the College of Education and Recreation, Parks and Tourism, to give students both academic credit and the potential to develop these internships into high impact practices.

What department/Division strategic plan item does this support?

Enrich Student Experiences, Ensure Future Effectiveness

Please provide data, evidence, and/or input (student faculty, staff, other) you gathered to help you determine the need for additional resources.

With a full time Curator of Education the Forsyth Galleries were able to increase their annual visitation 51.2% from FY16 to FY17, while the Stark Galleries were only able to increase 4.53%

over the same period. The Galleries have conversely seen a 195% increase in the number of non-UART events in our space. An educational programming intern could also be used to help the events coordinator handle this increased load.

Over the next 2-4 years we are anticipating donations of approx. 350 artworks, which will need to be catalogued, photographed, etc. We are currently behind schedule in bringing our existing collections records up to speed, which is something a student intern could help us do.

What actions have you implemented or discontinued internally to address the identified need?

We have decreased the number of programs offered at the Stark Galleries and have eliminated any off-site programming. The Collections Manager at Stark has reduced the cleaning schedule for the outdoor sculptures to every other year instead of once a year to give her more time in the office to devote to the collections.

If funding is granted, what metrics will you use to evaluate success of this program/service/operation?

Number of objects catalogued, number of programs offered, satisfaction surveys

Have other sources of funding (fundraising, sponsorship, reserves, etc.) been considered? Please explain.

We currently have a full-time Curator of Education position as one of our development opportunities but have not identified a donor yet. Our reserves have already been assigned to other priorities.

Total Estimated Cost

Funding Description	Amount
2 internships @\$8.50/hr x 20 hrs per week x 50 weeks	\$17,000
<i>Less Estimated Partial/Matching Funds (if Applicable)</i>	
TOTAL INCREASE REQUESTED	\$17,000