

Arts in Medicine Fellowship and Internship Program

Mission

To support the next generation of arts in medicine leaders by providing opportunities to learn, explore and encourage healing, wellness and engagement through the arts and humanities.

Overview

Part of the mission of Arts in Medicine is to support those interested in a career advancing the arts and arts programming within healthcare. Our program reflects this value, and engages undergraduate, graduate students, and adults from all walks of life considering a career in arts in medicine. We encourage those with identities historically excluded from the arts, including black, indigenous, and people of color, trans, those from low-income backgrounds, and immigrants to apply. Learning and creating space for new voices will be at the center of the internship program. Fellows and interns will participate in training, attend reflection meetings with staff, and work alongside seasoned professionals to observe, participate and support the Arts in Medicine collection and programming at NYC Health + Hospitals (NYC H+H).

The Arts in Medicine department at NYC H+H is host to a collection of over 7,500 works of art dating back to the 1930's. The aim of the art collection is to create a calming, supportive and healing atmosphere for patients, families and staff at NYC Health + Hospitals 70+ facilities. Artworks in our collection are also used in [programming](#) for staff to decrease anxiety, create opportunities to meaningfully connect with colleagues, and foster empathy throughout the workday. Our programming includes literary arts, music, performance, and visual art and reaches over 55,000 patients, staff, and community members annually. We partner with several cultural organizations and artists across New York City to engage staff and patients with healing experiences that spark joy and curiosity, combat anxiety and empathy fatigue, and nurture connections to oneself and others. Our partners include the Brooklyn Museum, Carnegie Hall, the Creative Center at University Settlement, Residency Unlimited, The People's Creative Institute, Sing for Hope, and others.

Fellows and interns will gain an understanding of the burgeoning field of arts in medicine in the context of the country's largest public hospital system. They will develop and hone valuable transferable skills such as project management, data collection, creating enhanced visual presentations, writing, and relationship building.

We offer one fellowship and two internship tracks:

Fellowship

1. Arts in Medicine Public Health Fellow

Internships

1. Arts in Medicine Collection and Archivist Intern
2. Arts in Medicine Programming Intern

In addition to developing transferable skills, our interns and fellows will gain specialized knowledge and experience specific to their track. Collections interns will be immersed in archival processes, and curating healing spaces in collaboration with healthcare staff across NYC H+H facilities. Programming interns will work on public art and community projects at different healthcare facilities across the five boroughs. The Public Health fellow will work across the Arts in Medicine department on a number of initiatives that measure the arts impact on health and wellbeing. They will gain extensive experience supporting arts programming at NYC H+H to learn how arts programs are developed and implemented through the Arts in Medicine department, and directly support artists, educators, and creative arts therapists; additionally, they will gain an understanding of how to create metrics, and collect and analyze data to evaluate programmatic outcomes.

Arts in Medicine Public Health Fellowship | Fall 2024 - Spring 2025

The Public Health Fellowship is a 9-month work program providing one applicant each year the opportunity to cultivate a career in arts in health. The fellow will work across the Arts in Medicine department and with external partners to support the implementation of new and existing initiatives that incorporate the arts and arts programming throughout NYC Health + Hospitals. In addition to developing professional skills through a hands-on approach, the fellow will be allocated funding to develop and execute research, professional development and/or a community-centered project in accordance with Arts in Medicine's mission to support workforce wellness and enhance patient experiences. The Public Health Fellowship lasts for approximately 9-month, 20-25 hours a week.

General tasks and responsibilities will include:

- Assisting with the conception and implementation of various evidenced-based projects that utilize the arts as a tool for wellness for patients, families, and caregivers
- Supporting the Arts in Medicine department with research, data entry and evaluation efforts
- Monitoring activities and outcomes of programs for grant reports and team speaking engagements
- Contributing to outreach initiatives to engage community members and hospital staff including site visits
- Additional tasks as needed by Arts in Medicine Department

Qualifications

Master's degree in Public Health, Healthcare Administration or Creative Arts Therapy or a bachelor's degree with equivalent experience. Strong organizational skills and attention to detail with a passion for the arts and humanities. Strong written and verbal communications skills.

How to Apply

Applications for this fellowship will open in Summer 2024. Please visit the [Arts in Medicine website](#) for more information on how to apply.

Arts in Medicine Collection and Archivist Internship | Fall/Winter 2024

This 6-month, 14 hours a week internship will assist with digitizing collections and incorporating images into the collections database, re-housing collections, general object research, object care and maintenance, and cataloging and processing art objects. This includes familiarizing oneself with the collection's imagery and projects, sorting, labeling and organizing work, as well as assisting with database cleanup, such as completing pre-existing records and conducting quality control on file names, translations, and attachments. The Collection and Archivist Intern should have an interest in fine art with an emphasis on collections management, archiving, and/or research.

General tasks and responsibilities will include:

- Digitization of artwork accessioned by the collection, including ephemera; photographs of works, condition reports, insurance records, and other pertinent documentation
- Working with Arts in Medicine staff on the database, standardize and supervise data entry consistent with city guidelines and industry best practices
- Inputting CMS related content to Bloomberg Connects Platform
- Additional tasks as needed by Arts in Medicine Department

Qualifications

At least two years of undergraduate study. Strong interest in collections management and archival practices. Strong organizational skills and attention to detail with a passion for visual art and art history. Strong written and verbal communications skills. Commitment to equity and inclusion.

How to Apply

Applications for this internship will open in early Summer 2024. Please visit the [Arts in Medicine website](#) for more information on how to apply.

Arts in Medicine Programming Internship | Fall/Winter 2024

This 6-month, 14 hours a week internship is for those interested in how the arts support wellness and mental health in at least one focus area: program development, public health, creative arts therapy, neuroscience, pedagogical approach to the arts across disciplines, research and evaluation, and/or psychology or social work. The Programming Intern will assist with program management, participate in programmatic goals and curriculum development, and support data collection and analysis. This will include direct involvement in Arts in Medicine programs at various healthcare facilities and in collaboration with artists and cultural partners.

General tasks and responsibilities will include:

- Tracking program participation and preparing art materials for HHArt of Medicine, Music for the Soul, and other programs
- Assisting artists or participants during programs and attending research, planning, and reflection meetings
- Assisting with slide presentations for various audiences (healthcare staff, patients, funders, etc.)
- Conducting observations for data collection
- Additional tasks as needed by Arts in Medicine Department

Qualifications

Adults with a minimum of one year of work experience post high school, or one year of college or professional training. Curiosity and willingness and tenacity for learning new skills such as creating and managing spreadsheets or data collection. Kind and enthusiastic demeanor. Ability to problem solve and think on your feet. Strong organizational skills. Commitment to public health and equity.

How to Apply

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We are an Equal Opportunity Employer. All candidates who apply for the Arts in Medicine internship and fellowship program will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, color, creed, disability, health condition, gender identity or expression, marital status or domestic partnership, military status, national origin or ancestry, parental status or pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status, and any other characteristic protected by law in all employment decisions. Candidates from HBCUs, Tribal Colleges and Universities, CUNY and SUNY education systems are highly encouraged to apply.