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## HOLOCAUST EDUCATOR INTERNSHIP

### A Paid Internship Program for Fall 2018 Applications due April 2, 2018

*“This was an amazing opportunity and I loved being a part of the program. It taught me about commanding a class, teaching history, about how museums run, and it taught me a lot about myself as well. It was a life-changing semester.”*

*“The Internship is one of the best things I have ever done. It was so rewarding and I was able to learn so much about history and teaching. This will help me greatly during student teaching next year.”*

*“The Internship prepared me for teaching very sensitive and serious topics. I learned how to balance being a fun and engaging tour guide while maintaining a serious approach to sensitive areas of the Museum. This internship also motivated me to research the psychological implications of the Holocaust while pursuing a career in psychology.”*

**Overview:** The Holocaust Educator Internship is a paid internship program at the Museum of Jewish Heritage – A Living Memorial to the Holocaust in New York City for undergraduate and graduate students currently studying in the New York metropolitan area. Interns are trained on how to teach the history of the Holocaust and then work with middle and high school students in public schools to understand this history. Interns receive in-depth training about the history of the Holocaust, teaching methodologies, and then teach students about the Holocaust so that the painful lessons of the past can guide them to envision a world worthy of their futures.

**Details:** In August, interns attend an intensive nine-day training at the Museum to learn how to teach public middle and high school students about the Holocaust. During training interns meet with Museum staff, hear testimony from Holocaust survivors, and learn methods for teaching from artifacts in the Museum’s collection. Following training, interns work in pairs, visiting several New York metropolitan-area middle and high schools to teach an introductory classroom lesson and then give tours to these classes at the Museum. Interns receive a stipend and are reimbursed for local travel. Interns may choose to work for school credit rather than pay.

**Benefits:** The internship benefits public middle and high school students and their teachers throughout the New York metropolitan area by providing in-depth learning about the Holocaust and an opportunity to visit the Museum, at no cost to the school. For the interns, the program provides a growth opportunity and hands-on teaching experience. Many interns continue to pursue academic or professional interests related to their experiences teaching about Jewish heritage and the Holocaust.

**Timeline:**

- Applications due April 2, 2018
- Interviews of finalists in April and May
- Acceptance letters sent by mid-May
- Training over the course of nine days at the Museum during the last two weeks of August
- Work with schools begins in September/October

**To Apply:** Currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students of all backgrounds and academic interests are encouraged to apply. The Internship is designed for students from a variety of fields and backgrounds. The ideal candidate will have a desire to learn and educate, an appreciation for museums, and an ability to work well with others. No previous teaching or Holocaust study is required, although both of these are desirable.

**To apply for the fall 2018 program, please complete the online application at [mjhny.org/internship2018](http://mjhny.org/internship2018).**

**Applications are due April 2, 2018.**

**Questions:** For inquiries, please call 646.437.4273 or email [Internships@mjhny.org](mailto:Internships@mjhny.org).

**About the Museum:** The Museum of Jewish Heritage – A Living Memorial to the Holocaust has thrived for two decades along the waterfront of New York Harbor, and was created as a living memorial to those who perished, as well as those who survived. Established as a place of learning and reflection, a repository for artifacts and information, and a catalyst for dialogue across all age groups about vital lessons of Jewish history, the Museum serves both local and global communities and creates opportunities for diverse audiences to engage with history and to consider its relevance to the present.

Since 1997, the Museum of Jewish Heritage has welcomed more than two million visitors; it maintains a collection of more than 30,000 artifacts, photographs, documentary films, and survivor testimonies and contains classrooms, a 400-seat theater (Edmond J. Safra Hall), special exhibition galleries, a resource center for educators, and a memorial art installation, *Garden of Stones*, designed by internationally acclaimed sculptor Andy Goldsworthy.

The second largest Holocaust museum in the United States, the Museum protects the historical record and promotes understanding of Jewish heritage. It mobilizes memory to teach the dangers of intolerance and challenges visitors—including more than 50,000 schoolchildren a

year—to let the painful lessons of the past guide them to envision a world worthy of their futures.

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