

May Kean Reynolds Graduate Fellowship in Museum Studies



Liberty Hall, a historic house museum, garden, and arboretum located adjacent to the campus of Kean University in Union, New Jersey, is currently accepting applications for the May Kean Reynolds Graduate Fellowship in Museum Studies.

As New Jersey's premier American History education center, the museum traces nearly 250 years of New Jersey history. The museum campus contains an extensive collection of original artifacts and documents, which includes the 1772 home of William Livingston, the first elected governor of New Jersey.

The fellowship is designed to provide a mentored professional development opportunity to graduate students seeking careers within a museum setting. Fellowships are tailored to the student's individual educational goals and provide opportunities to explore multiple areas of museum work while gaining specialized skills and experience. Projects may include but are not limited to the design, development, and delivery of innovative programming for diverse audiences, collections management, exhibit development, and marketing design and implementation, all based on the fellow's interest.

Fellows will work approximately 20 hours per week throughout the 30-week fellowship. Work hours are flexible and will be scheduled during museum operating hours. The fellowship will begin in October 2024 and continue through June of 2025. The museum is easily accessed by New Jersey Transit trains on the Raritan Valley line.

The fellowship includes an award of \$1,000.00 along with a stipend of \$8,000.00. Graduate-level students currently enrolled in a Masters Program in Museum Studies, History, or a related field are eligible for consideration.

Interested candidates should submit the following:

- Full curriculum vitae of education, professional experience, honors, awards, and publications.
- A statement, not to exceed 1,000 words, specifying what you wish to accomplish during the fellowship period and detailing how you can utilize the Museum's resources to accomplish your goals. The statement should also discuss issues you wish to investigate during the fellowship period, how this research is relevant to the field, and how it will advance the work of Liberty Hall Museum.

- Two letters of recommendation

Applications should be emailed to:

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Please indicate May Kean Reynolds Fellowship in the subject line.

All applications must be submitted by September 15, 2024