Denison Museum in the classroom

Curriculum structured gallery visits
Whether though research, creative writing, science, math, language, or fine art practice, the Museum has something to offer to faculty and students across campus.

Why academic museums matter:
- Experiential and integrative learning experiences linked to classroom content
- Dissemination of knowledge by producing small, intensely researched, convention-challenging exhibitions
- Provide low-risk and meaningful peer-learning opportunities that foster critical thinking and transferable skills

3 Case Studies in Denison Museum Collaboration
- Microbes in the Museum, Spring 2014, Independent Study. (Microbiology, Denison Libraries, Cinema, Denison Museum) A student research project to explore issues related to the science of conservation that would foster student research, analytical, and laboratory skills. Using museum artifacts made from organic materials, the student cultivated and identified bacteria; a cinema student produced video documentary of the project.

- Green Revolution: Fall 2013 Exhibition. (Education, Studio Art, Campus Sustainability, Denison Chemical Society, Homestead, The Science and Art Faculty/Staff Interest Group, Denison Museum). This Smithsonian traveling exhibition focused on themes of sustainability. The exhibition was built upon proposals submitted by Denison students, faculty, and staff. These teams then met regularly throughout the fall semester to design and construct the various artworks and pieces that comprised the exhibition.

- Rockwell Kent Project, Fall 2010, Exhibition (Art History, Denison Museum) The Rockwell Kent Project was developed through an art history course and partnership with the Museum in the fall 2010. The course culminated in an exhibition of the artist's work drawn from Denison's permanent collections and other museums. Students participated in exhibition design and theme development, and were responsible for the layout and writing interpretive materials. Student research culminated in essays for a catalog that is still available for purchase online.
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**Museum History**
Established in 2006, the Denison Museum is located in Burke Hall on the campus of Denison University. Featuring a robust and diverse semi-annual rotating exhibition schedule, the Museum strives to provide inclusive and interdisciplinary museum-based learning experiences that are accessible to all students and strengthen community engagement.

**The Collection**
Global in scope with strengths in Asian, European, and North and Central American material culture, the Museum’s permanent collection comprises over 8,500 objects. A wide variety of media are represented including works in stone, wood, paper, textiles, metal and ivory spanning ancient times to the present.

**Internship Program**
Annual competitive museum internships are open to any student who seeks to explore the museum field and art world. Museum interns gain practical experience in a variety of areas including collections care and research, exhibition design/installation, curatorial studies and interpretation, as well as marketing and communications including social media, video podcasting, and website management.

**Connecting to Collections**
Museum staff is here to help Denison faculty, staff, students, and residents of Central Ohio and beyond utilize the Museum and its resources. Curious how to we can help your students or organization?

**Want to know more?**
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