

Senior Project Specialist - Archaeological Collections

Job Summary

Organisation

J Paul Getty Trust

Location

Los Angeles, CA

Contract Type

Full-time

Salary

109945 USD - 145671 USD

Closing date

Tue, 31/10/2023 - 00:00

Job Details

We are seeking a conservation professional with a high level of experience in the conservation of archaeological collections and a keen interest in research and education to fill the position of Senior Project Specialist. In this role, you will be an integral member of the Getty Conservation Institute's Collections Department and will plan, develop, manage, and implement conservation projects, research, and workshops to address current and emerging needs related to collections of excavated materials of all sizes and in all settings across cultures and geographic regions.

This job will be based in our office at the Getty Center in Los Angeles. It will begin in the office full-time and the opportunity to request a telework schedule may be available after an initial period of training and orientation and will be discussed and approved by your supervisor.

Major Job Responsibilities:

Reporting to the department head, you will identify new challenges and critical issues in the area of archaeological collections conservation and establish research priorities and manage multiple high-level projects to address those issues.

Lead project teams in the assessment of needs of professionals working with archaeological collections, the organization of experts' meetings, and the establishment of new collaborations.

Leverage your deep expertise to originate new and innovative approaches to treatments, stabilization methods, packing, storage protocols, interpretation, and use of archaeological

objects in collections; and be at the forefront of critical ethical debates.

Develop and carry out research projects related to remedial treatments and preventive measures for collections.

Design and deliver courses, workshops, and other educational activities to engage practitioners who care for collections of excavated materials, including those working with collections in museums and temporary storage spaces without environmental control.

Investigate and develop strategies for involving local communities and stakeholders in the preservation and interpretation of archaeological collections, promoting public engagement.

Maintain a large professional network and develop strong collaborative relationships with local, regional, and international partners to develop solutions and ensure broad dissemination of information resulting from projects.

Implement and manage projects and activities, which includes leading multidisciplinary teams, establishing tasks and timelines, developing contracts, supervising and provide direction to staff, graduate interns, and consultants, and managing deliverables and deadlines.

Act as an advisor to project teams to resolve technical and operational problems.

Disseminate findings in peer-reviewed journals and present at professional conferences to contribute to the advancement of knowledge in the field of archaeological conservation.

As part of the Getty Conservation Institute's Collections department, you will contribute to planning of project goals and the establishment departmental priorities. As a senior member of the department, you will demonstrate strategic vision, identify links and bridges between existing projects, and develop thematic areas of departmental research.

Your participation in professional development opportunities is encouraged and supported through on-the-job learning, specialized training courses, and participation in professional meetings and workshops.

Qualifications:

Graduate degree in archeology, anthropology, science, conservation, or a related discipline

Post-graduate qualifications (Masters+) in conservation of archeological materials or equivalent practical conservation experience

Minimum of 7-15 years of international project management experience in conservation

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Extensive expertise in the conservation of archaeological collections and an understanding of related ethical considerations.

Deep understanding of archaeological materials, conservation techniques, preventive conservation, and/or treatment, stabilization, packing, and storing of archaeological objects.

Knowledge in policies, practices, trends, and challenges in the field of conservation.

Demonstrate critical thinking regarding the impact of conservation treatments on the study and display of archaeological collections and on the environment.

Demonstrate strategic vision in addressing critical conservation issues in the field.

Proven competency in the development, planning, management, budgeting, and implementation of projects.

Excellent research and writing skills and demonstrated experience authoring reports, articles, and peer-reviewed publications.

Excellent interpersonal and verbal communication skills.

Ability to work in interdisciplinary teams, and with colleagues and partners from a variety of countries and cultures.

Adaptable and a creative problem solver.

Ability to prioritize and meet deadlines, excellent time management skills.

Highly organized and efficient.

Fluency in a language in addition to English may be considered an advantage.

Must be available for frequent international travel.

All candidates must apply online. Please be prepared to upload your cover letter and CV/resume when prompted to do so by the online application system. Candidates who successfully complete the online application process will receive an automated message via email. Please go to this link to apply: <https://jobs-getty.icims.com/jobs/4277/senior-project-specialist-%28archaeological-collections%29/job?mobile=false&width=710&height=500&bga=true&needsRedirect=false&jan1offset=-480&jun1offset=-420>