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DAVIS MUSEUM AT WELLESLEY COLLEGE

## **Davis Museum Student Advisory Committee (DMSAC)**

Open to all current Wellesley College students. No art history experience required. All concentrations are welcome and encouraged to apply. Applications will be accepted at the beginning of the Fall and Spring semesters to accommodate any students participating in travel abroad opportunities.

### **Position Description:**

The Davis is accepting applications from Wellesley College students to serve on DMSAC for Fall 2020. These are unpaid, volunteer positions that each require approximately 6-8 hours of work per month during the academic year. DMSAC members are expected to participate fully in board meetings twice a month, attend virtual programs and events at the Davis as required (approximately two per semester), and to be active, informed, and visible representatives of the Museum. Due to the current COVID pandemic, during the fall Term 1 and Term 2, all meetings will take place virtually via Zoom, and all events will be virtual.

DMSAC meets twice a month under the direction of Arthurina Fears, Curator of Education and Programs at the Davis Museum. DMSAC does not meet during reading period or finals period. Sub-committees may be expected to meet to continue their work and will be scheduled separately.

### **Mission:**

The Davis Museum Student Advisory Committee (DMSAC) is a voluntary organization of students who serve as enthusiastic liaisons between the student body and the Davis. They are dedicated to promoting sustained student involvement at the Davis and acting as ambassadors for and raising awareness of the Davis and the visual arts across the Wellesley College campus. DMSAC encourages the Museum's interdisciplinary function, engages the diverse and multicultural student body, promotes the Davis as an educational resource, and increases student participation and museum visitation.

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of DMSAC is to support the activities at the Davis Museum at Wellesley College (the Davis), and to encourage and strengthen the link between the Davis and the Wellesley College student body. DMSAC will:

- Create an inclusive and diverse group of student ambassadors for the Davis, representing and engaging a broad range of student backgrounds and academic majors, with an emphasis on issues of diversity, equity, accessibility, and inclusion;
- Expand DMSAC's focus beyond developing student programming to advise the Davis on various projects, collaborate with a diverse range of other student organizations on campus, and to forge connections with the Friends of Art groups and Wellesley alumnae;
- Develop and improve communication and relationships between DMSAC members and all Davis staff, and to integrate DMSAC activities more closely with the activities of the Museum.

### **Structure:**

DMSAC is a committee-based student organization that seeks student participants on the following:

- Programming: Students interested in planning special events for the Wellesley College student community at the Davis, such as gallery talks, lectures, job panels, field trips, workshops, study breaks, and after-hours events (Davis After Dark).
- Communications: Students interested in managing the DMSAC Facebook account, mailing list, potential Instagram or other social media accounts, creating spam, and also advising Davis staff on the best strategies for engaging with students on campus.
- Friends of Art: Students interested in connecting DMSAC with Friends of Art at the Davis, through special programming and initiatives (i.e. mentorship network).
- Special Projects/Research: Students interested in special research projects, such as the Dorm Art inventory project.
- Campus Liaisons: Students interested in connecting and collaborating with other student orgs on campus.

**Application requirements:**

Please apply via Handshake, and submit the following requirements:

1. Short response: in no more than 500 words, please answer the following questions.
  - Why would you like to be a member of DMSAC?
  - What will you uniquely bring to the group and to the Davis?
  - How will you help to maintain community in light of our new normal of physical distancing and virtual communication?
2. Résumé: please make sure that your résumé includes your graduation year, concentration (or academic interests, if you're undeclared), including a list of your activities and other commitments for the academic year, and best contact information.
3. DMSAC Interests: Please indicate which two sub-committees interested you most.

Apply by submitting the required application materials by 5 pm on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 via Handshake.

All interviews will be held the week of September 13. For more about DMSAC's work, check out our website: <https://www.wellesley.edu/davismuseum/students/dmsac> and follow us on Facebook and Instagram @DavisMuseum.

Due to the uncertainty created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the College reserves the right in its sole discretion to withdraw this offer or terminate the position at any time.

For more information, please contact Arthurina Fears, Curator of Education and Programs, at [afears@wellesley.edu](mailto:afears@wellesley.edu).