

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES  
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

TYPE 1B, 2, 3A NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM CURATION CERTIFICATE (MUSEUM-CT)

The 12-14 credit hour Natural History Museum Curation Certificate will prepare students for employment as a museum curator or curatorial assistant. The certificate is designed to provide both disciplinary expertise and curatorial training in museum curation.

**Disciplinary courses (6-8 credits):**

- **EARTHSC 4421:** Earth Materials (3)
- **EARTHSC 4423:** Introductory Petrology (3)
- **EARTHSC 4501:** Paleontology (4)
- **EARTHSC 4502:** Stratigraphy and Sedimentation (4)
- **EEOB 2210:** Biodiversity of Ohio – Plants (2)
- **EEOB 2220:** Biodiversity of Ohio – Birds (2)
- **EEOB 3310:** Evolution (4)
- **EEOB 3320:** Organismal Diversity (3)
- **EEOB 4210:** Focused Study of Ecology and Evolution – Vertebrates (2)
- **EEOB 4220:** Focused Study of Ecology and Evolution – Mammals (3)
- **EEOB 4230:** Focused Study of Ecology and Evolution – Invertebrates (2)

Students with demonstrated knowledge of the identification and classification of natural samples at the advanced undergraduate level may instead replace up to 6 credit hours with additional internship and museum curatorial practice/management hours.

**A museum internship (3 credits minimum; 6 credits maximum):**

- **EARTHSC 5191.01:** Museum Internship (3-6)
- **EEOB 5610:** Translating Evolution (3)

**Curatorial and/or museum management experience (3 credits minimum):**

- **EARTHSC 5501:** Museum Data Curation (3)
- **ARTEDUC 5671:** Organizational Leadership in the Nonprofit Arts (3)
- **ARTEDUC 5682:** Nonprofit Arts Institution Governance and Board Leadership (3)
- **ARTEDUC 5685:** Arts/Cultural Organizations: Resource Management & Revenue Streams (3)
- **ARTEDUC 5686:** Cultural Program Design, Implementation, and Evaluation (3)
- **ARTEDUC 7748:** Museum Practicum (3)

**Natural History Museum Curation Certificate program guidelines**

Credit hours required: 12-14 credit hours.

Overlap with courses in a degree

- The certificate must be in a different subject than the major.
- Max 50% overlap with degree program (i.e. major, minor, other certificate, GE, or graduate program)

X193 credits: Not permitted.

Certificate Completion: If the certificate is not complete on the DAR, the student must consult with the Coordinating Advisor.

Consult with Coordinating Advisor

- For filing deadlines.
- For changes or exceptions to a certificate plan.

Undergraduate certificate program:

Coordinating Advisor: Professor Ashley Griffith, 381 Mendenhall Labs, Columbus, OH 43210; [griffith.233@osu.edu](mailto:griffith.233@osu.edu)

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the certificate.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the certificate.

Graduate certificate program:

Coordinating Advisor: Professor Steve Lower, 084 Orton Hall, [lower.9@osu.edu](mailto:lower.9@osu.edu); 614-292-1571

- Course selections must be numbered 4000+ outside the student's home unit and 5000+ within the home unit.
- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the certificate.
- Minimum 3.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the certificate.

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