

Overview

You can go anywhere with an Arts & Humanities degree! Creativity, communication, and critical thinking skills are in high demand across industries, whether it's arts and culture institutions like the Met, tech firms like Google, or consulting firms like McKinsey. This guide provides an overview of the UChicago resources you can use to launch a successful career in today's interdisciplinary and fast-changing Arts & Humanities job market!

FIRST THINGS FIRST

Get started with these resources and stay up-to-date on arts and humanities events and internships!

- **Sign up for industry newsletters** to get regular updates on opportunities in your area of interest
- **Explore the Jeff Metcalf Internship Program** to find paid, substantive internships around the world

START WITH A SHORT-TERM EXPERIENCE

Short-term experiences are a great way to try out a career path, start building your resume, and meet mentors - no prior experience needed!

- **Job shadow** with an alumnus working in publishing, visual arts, entertainment and beyond. Apply by Nov. 10!
- **Apply for a Arts & Humanities Career trek** to meet with employers. Past treks have focused on publishing, journalism, theater, and entertainment in New York, Los Angeles, Washington D.C., London, and Paris. Apply by Oct. 13!
- **Join an Arts & Humanities Publication or RSO**: Fire Escape Films, Firebird Magazine, Bite Culinary Magazine, MODA Fashion
- **Sign up for the Metcalf Clinics Program** and work on an employer project with a team of your peers.
- **Attend JAMfest**: On October 24, JAMfest brings together leading industry practitioners and students as they discuss their careers, work, internship experiences and independent projects.
- **Explore part-time on-campus employment opportunities** with The Court Theater, Smart Museum of Art & UChicago Magazine,

BUILD YOUR SKILLS

Stand out by learning important skills and building your expertise

- **Apply for the College Summer Institute in Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences** to undertake intensive intellectual training & research with accomplished scholars across humanistic disciplines.
- **Master your craft with independent professionals: The Practitioner Program** matches students with practitioners to take on paid projects. Practitioners can include novelists, architects, reporters, historians, performing artists, and more!
- **Get involved with research** by working with a faculty member specializing in your field of interest.
- **Study a foreign language** if you're interested in a specific region, cultural tradition, or market for your work and career!
- **Take classes** to build expertise relevant to your arts & humanities interests - this could include courses in creative writing, art history, cinema and media, architecture & design, music, visual arts, languages and theater!

GET EXPERIENCE

Get hands-on experience by interning with UChicago employer partners such as:

- **Entertainment: Film/TV/Music/Theater**: A24, Department of Motion Pictures, ARRAY, Red Wagon Entertainment, Film Independent, Warner Music Group, Warner Bros Discovery, Court Theater, New York Philharmonic, Chicago Lyric Opera
- **Journalism**: ABC News, Chicago Public Media/NPR, Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting, The New York Times, The Wall Street
- **Publishing**: Penguin Random House, Harper Collins, Simon & Schuster, Hachette Book Group, Smithsonian Magazine
- **Curation, Museums & Visual Art**: Sotheby's, The DuSable Museum of African American History & Culture, Chicago History Museum, The Field Museum, Greene Naftali Gallery, The Art Institute of Chicago, The Baltimore Museum of Art
- **Architecture & Design**: JFAK Architects, Architecture for Public Benefit, Urban Design Forum, Civic Projects,

FIND OPPORTUNITIES

Discover your next job or internship:

- **Attend employer information sessions** to network with recruiters
- **Use the UChicago Alumni Directory** and other tools like LinkedIn to reach out to alumni at your target employers
- **Get personalized support** from Careers in The Arts & Humanities advisers, Benjamin Waltzer and Nely Rentas de Romo



Meet with Benjamin Waltzer

Ben brings extensive industry experience in film, performing arts & journalism.



Meet with Nely Rentas de Romo

Nely has a professional background in recruiting & can help put your best foot forward in your application!

CAREERS IN ARTS & HUMANITIES

Career Advancement offers a number of events and resources to help prepare you for a career in the Arts & Humanities:

EVENTS

Fall Quarter

- Sept. 19 | Employer Info Session: HarperCollins Publishers
- Sept. 29 | UChicago Fall 2025 Career Fair
- Oct. 2 | Student Employment 101
- Oct. 6 | Entertainment Industry 101
- Oct. 13 | Writing, Storytelling & Screenplays
- Oct. 14 | Student Employment 101
- Oct. 14 | Revamping Your Resume - Career Preparation Workshop
- Oct. 20 | Exploring Future Careers
- Oct. 24 | JAMFest - Journalism, Arts & Media One Day Series
- Oct. 24 | Arts and Humanities Opportunities On-Campus
- Oct. 27 | The Business of Art: Producers, Agents, and Partners
- Nov. 11 | Employer Info Session: Sotheby's
- Nov. 12 | Local Trek: Chicago Public Media (WBEZ/Sun Times)
- Nov. 13 | Employer Info Session: The Philadelphia Inquirer
- Dec. 8-9 | Humanities Career Trek for Paris Study Abroad
- Dec. 15-17 | Winter Break Career Treks

Winter Quarter

- Jan. 6 | Application Open for Spring Break Humanities Trek
- Jan. 7 | Employer Info Session: Pulitzer Center For Crisis Reporting
- Jan. 9 | Employer Info Session: Report for America
- Jan. 12 | Revamping Your Resume - Career Preparation Workshop
- Jan. 16-18 | Game Jam Competition
- Jan. 21 | Acing the Interview - Career Preparation Workshop
- Jan. 26 | Game Jam Showcase
- Jan. 29 | Visuals Arts & Design Internship Opportunities Workshop
- Jan. 30 | Employer Info Session: Art Institute of Chicago
- Feb. 3 | Employer Info Session: Gagosian Gallery
- Feb. 4 | Employer Info Session: UChicago Press
- Feb. 14 | Art Institute of Chicago for University Partnerfest
- Feb. 17 | Employer Info Session: Smart Museum of Art
- Feb. 19 | Employer Info Session: Warner Bros. Discovery
- Feb. 21 | Marketing Pathways Forum
- Mar. 16-20 | Spring Break Treks to Los Angeles, CA; New York, NY

Spring Quarter

- Mar. 30 - Apr. 3 | Careers in the Arts and Humanities Week
- Apr. 1 | The Rise of AI: Possibilities and Perils
- Apr. 3 | Local Trek: Architecture & Design
- Apr. 14 | Employer Info Session: Warner Music Group

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Fall Quarter

- Oct. 13 | Apply for a Winter Break Trek
- Nov. 3 | Fall Application Cycle for 4+1 Master's Programs
- Nov. 10 | Winter Break Job Shadowing

Winter Quarter

- Jan. - Feb. | Apply for Metcalf Internships
- Jan. 9 | Game Jam
- Jan. 12 | Winter Application Cycle for 4+1 Master's Programs
- Jan. 20 | Spring Break Treks
- Feb. 17 | Spring Break Job Shadowing

Spring Quarter

- Apr. 13 | Spring Application Cycle for 4+1 Master's Programs



Christian Dixon, AB'23

- Current Role: William Morris Endeavor
- Internship: William Morris Endeavor
- Internship: UChicago Film Studies Center



Audrey Fromson, AB'21

- Current Role: Vanity Fair
- Internship: Radiolab
- Internship: David Axelrod Reporting Grantee