

MAS FALL 2020

ONLINE COURSES & PROGRAMS

Certificate Program in Community Museum Studies

The Certificate in Community Museum Studies is a comprehensive, ten-course program, that provides entry-level training in museum management and operations. Participants will gain the skills they need in order to successfully operate a public community museum. Each course is offered in a scheduled rotation in locations across Saskatchewan on a two to three year cycle.

Participating in the certificate program will give you opportunities to gain the knowledge and skills to operate a successful public museum. You can network with colleagues from throughout the province, share your ideas and concerns with expert instructors and fellow museum practitioners, and learn to apply course material to your own museum.

This fall, all the courses we offer will be online. For online learning, we use Moodle, which allows participants to log in on their own schedule to complete activities and browse course material. You'll receive a username and password which will give you access to the site, and then each week we'll release more material for you to complete. On average, students spend between 2 and 6 hours per week on the course.

We hope to be able to return to offering in-person workshops in the spring, in addition to continuing our on-line offerings.

ONLINE COURSES BEING OFFERED...

Costs for all online courses:

\$100 (Members), \$150 (Non-Members), \$50 (Students)
Register online at: saskmuseums.org/programs

Research - September 7 to October 5 - Registration deadline: August 31

In this four-week course, you'll learn how to develop a research policy, and develop and implement a research plan. You'll strengthen your research skills, learn to integrate them into your museum's practices, and learn ways to use research to build community relationships.

Museums & Education - October 5 to November 2 - Registration deadline: September 28

In this four-week course will cover the role of the museum as an educational institution in the community. You'll learn about responding to current issues, planning and designing audience-appropriate education and public programs, and how to develop an education and public programming policy.

Collections Management - November 2 to December 7 - Registration deadline: October 26

In this five-week course, you'll learn what collections management is, and what activities are involved in it. The course also examines collections management policy and procedures, the laws and regulations affecting collections, and the collection documentation process.

SPECIAL TOPIC WORKSHOPS...

Online Workshop: identifying objects of special significance in your collection

The objects in museum collections vary greatly, and it's not always easy to tell which artifacts might be considered particularly interesting or valuable, and by whom. In this workshop, we'll discuss what might make an artifact especially significant, from a variety of perspectives. We'll look at different artifacts, and at techniques for locating and documenting the objects that may hold particular significance for researchers and members of various communities.

Date to be determined. Please check our website at saskmuseums.org/programs for the most up to date program information.

Canadian Conservation Institute Workshop

Like most organizations, the Canadian Conservation Institute and the Canadian Heritage Information Network (CCI-CHIN) are affected by the uncertainties surrounding the pandemic. It is currently impossible for us to carry out their regional workshops.

However, CCI-CHIN are offering online workshops as a substitute. We are in the process of determining how and when this will occur. Please watch for updates: saskmuseums.org/programs

Governance Support Program

The [Governance Support Program](#) supports the boards of small Saskatchewan museums in understanding and developing sound, responsible governance practices by offering three-hour modules on a range of topics: the roles and responsibilities of board members, museum mission statements, basic strategic planning, introduction to human resources, and different governance models.

We will not be offering governance sessions in person; however, we will be able to offer sessions online. If you are interested, please contact Dan at programs@saskmuseums.org for the details.

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