What Can I Do with a Dual Master of Library Science / Master of Arts in History of Art Degree?

A dual degree in Library Science and History of Art allows you to deepen your knowledge of art history while developing the technical skills you’ll need to work in a wide range of careers:

- Manage different library resources and help patrons with their research by working in an art library
- Curate exhibits, provide tours, and assist with the preservation of materials in a museum or art gallery
- Create and manage digital art collections for libraries, museums, and galleries
- Develop art programs, promote the use of library resources in the arts, and work with local artists to create gallery displays and exhibitions in a public library

Learn more about different career opportunities by checking out the following information:

Read about the experiences of an art librarian working at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in “A Day in the Life of an Art Librarian”, and learn more about the different responsibilities of working in an art library.

Explore the National Gallery of Art Library to see examples of some of the different collections that art librarians manage on a regular basis.

Learn about what it’s like to work at the Indianapolis Museum of Art and explore different job and internship opportunities.

Check out the Visual Arts Data Service online resource, or explore IU’s Digital Collections to see examples of digitized art collections.
Look at different examples of how public librarians create, manage, and promote events and resources in the arts by checking out Research Guides on Visual Art and Architecture and Historical and Cultural Venues, created by librarians at Bloomington’s own Monroe County Public Library.

Looking for information on internships, job postings, and volunteer opportunities? Explore the resources below:

Art Libraries Society of North America Career Resources
American Library Association JobLIST
Special Libraries Association Career Center
Visual Resources Association Careers Page
Smithsonian American Art Museum Internships
Indiana University Museum of Art Volunteer and Employment
Metropolitan Museum of Art Internships