

HIST 3733



History of Museums and Collections

This course explores the development of museums and collecting from a global perspective. We will interrogate the historic role of museums and will also examine how they function in a contemporary context. The course is not organized chronologically, but rather each week will be focused on exploring a critical theme and select case studies related to museums and collecting. By the end of the course students will have engaged with the practice of reading critically, and will have a grasp of the multi-faceted terrain of the history of museums and their collections. Students will also have the opportunity to research, conceptualize and present their own idea for a museum!
