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The Getty Leadership Institute (GLI) at Claremont Graduate University (CGU) has announced the selection of 72 museum leaders to participate in its 2019 executive education programs for museum leaders.

Participants are largely from visual art museums and cultural organizations and come from institutions in the United States and 9 other countries representing the continents of Africa, Asia, Europe, and North America. These participants comprise cohorts for two programs: GLI 2019 for senior-level museum executives and NextGen 2019 for mid-level managers tapped as the next generation of museum leaders.

Both programs feature a diverse and impressive representation of professionals from across the museum enterprise, including 12 museum directors/CEOs, as well as top leadership in curatorial, education, exhibitions, development, planning and administration, and technology. Competitive entry into both programs requires nominations and support from host institutions and recommendations from recognized leaders in the museum field. Selection criteria also includes candidates’ detailed analysis of the challenges they face in the immediate future; commitment to the museum field; creativity; broad strategic thinking; and the ability to influence policy and affect change at their institutions.

Faculty comes from the top ranks of educational institutions including the University of Southern California, the Stanford D. School, Pomona College, Claremont McKenna College and the Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management at Claremont Graduate University. Guest lecturers in the GLI programs include researchers, practitioners, and specialists in leadership development, fundraising, audience development, diversity and inclusion, and organizational and team development. The curriculum fosters learning through both theory and practice and aims to enhance museum leadership at the individual, institutional, and societal levels.
GLI 2019: The Experience, Participant Backgrounds

GLI 2019 targets museum executives in their first two to seven years in a senior-level leadership position. The curriculum includes modules on leadership self-assessment and development, strategic alignment and planning, mergers and alliances, organizational development, innovation, design thinking, and audience development. In addition, issues of diversity/equity/inclusion/access and digital/new media impacting the museum field are examined throughout the program. The intensive and rigorous curriculum aims at deepening participants' leadership skills to enhance their abilities to navigate challenges at their museums as well as advance the museum field at large. Participants are interested in challenges in the field pertaining to institutional reach and relevance, diversity/equity/inclusion/access, funding, digital technology, and organization development.

Participants receive support in devising strategic solutions to pressing institutional issues with one-on-one coaching and alumni peer mentoring sessions. The 2019 program offers a blended learning environment that includes two weeks of asynchronous online learning in May, 2 weeks of self-study and directed reflection, and two weeks of classwork during a June residency on the Claremont Graduate University campus in Claremont, California. Cohort members also participate in practicum sessions and field trips to Southern California art and cultural institutions.

Participants in the 2019 cohort come from collecting and non-collecting visual arts, history and cultural institutions as well as field support agencies from Asia, Europe, the Middle East, and North America. The group includes executives from the American Federation of Arts, Ashmolean, British Museum, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Norman Rockwell Museum, Minneapolis Institute of Art, Royal Academy of Arts, Seattle Art Museum, and the Van Gogh Museum. 4 participants come from institutions with operating budgets over $50 million annually, 12 with budgets over $10 million, 14 with budgets above $3 million, and 6 with budgets below $3 million.

Fellows in the 36-member cohort (24 women and 12 men) include 22 museum directors, CEOs, CFOs, vice presidents, and deputy directors. In addition, the group includes those who lead staffs in communications, curatorial, digital, education, exhibitions, development, finance, operations, and research initiatives. Participants have worked in the museum field for 17 years on average; have been in their current positions for an average of 4 years and have a median age of 45.

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NextGen 2019

NextGen 2019 is for mid-level staff in their first three to five years as managers. Modules introduce participants to concepts and practical skill-building in the areas of leadership, audience development, self-management, fundraising, organizational development, and design thinking and strategy. Participants engage in topics related to audience reach and relevance, digital initiatives, diversity/equity/inclusion/access, leadership development, and team and organizational management. NextGen 2019 is a blended learning course running in March 2019 with one week of asynchronous online learning followed by one week of self-study and a one week intensive classroom experience in residence on the Claremont Graduate University campus.

The NextGen 2019 cohort was 36 members strong (30 women and 6 men) and included museum professionals from Canada, China, Denmark, the United Kingdom, the United Arab Emirates, and the United States. On average, the students were 36 years old, and were in their positions for 3 years, with 12.5 years of experience in the field. Institutions represented by the cohort include the Art Institute of Chicago, Brooklyn Museum, Carnegie Museum of Art, Chrysler Museum of Art, The Huntington, M+, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Museum of Modern Art, National Museum of American History, Nairobi National Museum, Victoria and Albert Museum, and the Walker Art Center.

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About GLI's Programs

GLI is generously supported by the Getty Foundation. Now celebrating its 40th year, GLI is the world’s premier learning and thought leadership network for museum leaders. GLI boasts over 1,800 alumni from 40 countries around the globe. In addition to GLI and NextGen Now, the Getty Leadership Institute also produces the following programs:

- **NextGen Now** is a program for emerging professionals in their first 10 years in the field. It convenes alumni of the Getty Marrow Undergraduate Internship Program from Southern California visual arts and cultural organizations. Topics for this program focus on supporting sustainable career pathways and building capacity for underrepresented populations in the museum field.

- **NextGen China** serves mid-level executives in the Chinese museum field and is presented in partnership with the Chinese Museum Association. Topics include leadership development, audience development, design thinking, and strategy.

About Claremont Graduate University

Founded in 1925, Claremont Graduate University is one of a select few American universities devoted solely to graduate-level education with more than 2,000 students pursuing graduate degrees in more than 20 distinct areas of study. The university belongs to a consortium of schools in Southern California that includes Pomona College, Pitzer College, Claremont McKenna College, Scripps College, Harvey Mudd College, and Keck Graduate Institute. Students are encouraged to look beyond the traditional disciplinary divisions and define their own unique program of study—CGU’s transdisciplinary trademark. CGU’s other distinctions include serving as the home of the Peter F. Drucker & Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management and the annual Kingsley and Kate Tufts Poetry Awards.

About the Drucker School of Management and the Arts Management and Arts Business programs

The Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management offers a variety of professional degrees, including MBA, PMBA, EMBA, and the MS in Financial Engineering. Named for the father of modern business management education and world-renowned author and consultant, Peter Drucker, and accomplished global business leader and philanthropist, Masatoshi Ito, the school produces graduates who have a strong sense of social responsibility and a deep desire to make a difference. The school has expanded the traditional path in business education by offering innovative programs focused in the Creative Industries. The Arts Management and Arts Business programs bring together core values and a unique philosophy about business, leadership, and management in the arts. A collaboration between Sotheby's Institute of Art, the School of Arts and Humanities, the Drucker School of Management, and the Getty Leadership Institute at Claremont Graduate University features an M.A. degree in Art Business and in Arts Management with a concentration in non-profit management, art museum management, or the management of media, entertainment, and the performing arts.
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