

curatorial research assistant

volunteer placement - football

Through its permanent and temporary exhibitions, the Design Museum displays contemporary design across a range of disciplines – architecture, transport, fashion, graphic and product design. The museum's mission is to help people understand the value of design.

What will the role involve?

The Curatorial Research Assistant will support the Curator in the research and development of content for a large-scale exhibition about design and football. Content will include loans from significant public institutions such as the National Football Museum, major sports brands, architecture firms, design studios and private collections.

Tasks will include:

- Undertaking intensive independent research into various facets of football design, including stadium architecture, graphic identities, kits, media and digital technologies, medical technologies, and community initiatives.
- Researching and contacting potential lenders for exhibition objects, process material, contextual imagery, and audio-visual footage
- Compiling and maintaining a clear record of findings
- Reporting research findings to the Touring Curator
- Organising and archiving images in a clear and consistent fashion
- Assisting with the administration of loans
- Supporting the development and editing of interpretation panels

The placement

This is a fixed-term placement volunteering for three months starting the week beginning 14 June 2020. This role will be worked remotely and flexibly with an option of working up to 3 days a week.

Skills and experience

The museum is looking for someone with:

- A passionate interest in football and design
- An interest in curating exhibitions
- Good understanding and knowledge of the history of football and current developments in the game
- Excellent research skills
- Competence using Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook

The Design Museum offers volunteers:

- A supportive, stimulating and dynamic environment to volunteer in
- Free access to exhibitions
- Reimbursement of out-of-pocket travel expenses up to £12 per day
- Discounts in the Design Museum Shop
- Free tickets, when available to museum events/talks
- Advice about next steps (where possible) and references

To apply

Please contact volunteer@designmuseum.org enclosing your current CV and a short statement (one side of A4 max) outlining your availability and why you feel you are suited to this role.

NB. Please save your documents in Word format and label them with your name like this:

e.g. Claire Smith CV

Claire Smith letter

This is a selective role and interviews will take place in the week beginning 14 June.

The closing date for applications is **Sunday 13 June, midnight.**