

MAP ACADEMY

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Position: Editorial Lead (Courses)

Contract: 1 year (with potential to extend thereafter)

Location: Remote/Working from home (mandatorily working at IST)

Remuneration: Competitive, depending on previous experience

Application Deadline: Rolling. Apply [here](#)

Role Commencement: Late-April or Early May, 2023

[The MAP Academy](#)—a project of the [Museum of Art & Photography \(MAP\), Bengaluru](#)—is looking for an Editorial Lead to join its team of researchers and editors, working on its Online Courses project. This is an exciting opportunity for those who want to be part of an ambitious project that aims to become a leading educational platform for South Asian art histories. Ideal candidates should share the organisation's interests in attempting to enact change in the ways students and beginner audiences access these histories. This role will involve significant responsibility in developing the broader vision of the MAP Academy's core projects.

About the MAP Academy

The MAP Academy is a non-profit online platform—consisting of an encyclopedia, courses and a variety of resources currently in research and development—that encourages knowledge building and engagement with the histories of art.

The MAP Academy Encyclopedia of Art (MAEA) is a detailed and inclusive resource that covers biographies of artists and institutions, explanations of techniques and materials and thematic essays on historical trends. The MAEA uses the sensibilities of existing encyclopedia conventions while also adapting to the digital medium and its possibilities.

Our Online Courses are underpinned by a Core Course Programme, which includes introductory histories to Textiles; Photography; Modern & Contemporary Art; Craft; Narrative Painting; and Archeology, Sculpture & Architecture. These contain knowledge-based, skill-based and case study-based content taught through audio, text and videos, in asynchronous formats suitable for self-paced learning.

While the MAP Academy team has worked on its projects since 2020, we went live online in 2022, and are now planning to expand the scope of our work to realise some of our larger goals. This includes covering broader histories of South Asia in our Encyclopedia, realising more Courses and more projects.

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Our work is supported by the Museum of Art & Photography (MAP), but our editorial choices are entirely independent.

Role Overview

The Editorial Lead (Courses) will play a crucial role in developing the vision for the MAP Academy's curriculum on South Asian Art Histories, and will work closely with the Directors, collaborate with a variety of scholars, as well as manage a dedicated team to write, edit and produce a range of Courses, presented largely in asynchronous formats. The position will involve:

- Ideation, brainstorming and developing broader structures for the Courses project, one of the key verticals at the MAP Academy.
- Commissioning research and closely editing the work of subject-specific scholars in relation to South Asian Art Histories.
- Overseeing and/or carrying out research, writing, script edits, proofreads and video production.
- Maintaining comprehensive editorial standards across multiple projects and communicating these to the team.
- Working closely with the MAP Academy's Directors, Outreach team and Project Managers, to meet monthly targets, and make key decisions on workflows that enable the project to grow in terms of content and community engagement.
- Writing and contributing to the various sections of content across the MAP Academy's projects.
- Working closely with, and supporting Directors with a range of initiatives and strategies to further expand the MAP Academy, from time to time, within and beyond the scope of the organisation's immediate goals.

Preferred Skills and Abilities

We invite applications from candidates who:

- Have a Master's degree or a PhD in the humanities (ideally in art history) and have an interest in, and generalist knowledge of art and culture.
- Have an understanding of art history as a discipline within the South Asian context, and a knowledge of and interest in debates, discourses and pedagogy around the subject.
- Have three to five years of experience, in a managerial, research and editorial capacity in fields related to the arts and culture.
- Have an excellent command over written (compositional) English, and an exceptional eye for detail.
- Are comfortable working on the Google workspace and remote working technology, specifically Google Docs and Google Sheets, along with other tools available on the Google Suite and have a working familiarity with the Chicago Manual of Style and its latest editions.
- Have strong interpersonal, problem-solving and communication skills.
- Are organised, systematic and capable of managing a team, redirecting resources and ensuring

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- deliverables are met with a demonstrable experience of working towards the same.
- Are proactive and can be responsible and accountable for their own decisions while working simultaneously on multiple projects.

Culture and Values

Driven by a belief in our work and its potential for positive impact, as well as our responsibility to the public, the individuals or communities we write about and our own teams, partners and collaborators, the MAP Academy emphasises a communicative and respectful work environment.

MAP is an equal opportunities employer. It opposes all forms of discrimination and believes that all people, regardless of their identity or membership of any group deserve to be treated equally, consistently and fairly. It aims for recruiting processes to be transparent and open, giving everyone an opportunity to apply and for their application to be reviewed by the hiring team.

The MAP Academy is committed to providing a safe space for everyone. All staff members, vendors, partners and visitors are required to be proactive in creating a welcoming and inclusive space. This code of conduct applies to physical as well as online engagements. The MAP Academy is compliant with the PoSH Act (Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place [Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal], 2013).

Application and nomination process

To apply, fill in the application form [here](#).

Please note that only shortlisted candidates will receive confirmation via email. Following this, they will be presented with a task and invited for interviews. The role will then commence in Late April or Early May 2023.

Please write to pooja.savansukha@map-india.org with any queries you may have.