



Paid Book Conservation Work Placement - Latymer Archive Project Codex Conservation (Independent Workshop), South East London

Do you want to expand your practical conservation and project management skills? Working alongside an accredited conservator in a small, independent workshop, you would be required to perform conservation treatments on unique, archival, early modern manuscripts. This position would suit a recent graduate, emerging conservator or someone who is looking to upskill and/or return to work, with a specific interest in book conservation. This part time role would suit someone who is looking to develop their professional and hands-on skills and learn how to work as a book and paper conservator in private practice. We will provide mentoring and training throughout the project.

Pay rate: £27,200 pro rata on a freelance basis, this equates to £15 per hour. Up to 4 days per week, flexible, hours can be arranged to suit you. If you worked 3 days per week, the project would run for 24 weeks.

Key skills required:

- Post-graduate qualification in Book and Archives Conservation, or relevant professional experience within bookbinding or conservation with a minimum of 2 years relevant experience.
- High level of professional engagement, preferably on the PACR pathway towards accreditation and practical knowledge of current practice and research.
- Experience of time management and record keeping.
- Experience of a range of conservation treatments, from preservation storage, in situ repairs to binding reconstruction.
- Demonstrable experience in a variety of materials preferably including leather, paper and parchment.
- Able to work independently and to follow specified instruction.
- Strong communication skills and ability to maintain confident working relationships.
- Must enjoy working with rare, complex and delicate material. High level practical skills are a must.
- Confident using MS Office and online project management tools.
- Permission to work in the UK.

How to apply:

Please send a few images of your work, along with your CV and a cover letter and 3 references to ann-marie@codexconservation.com
Please write 'Latymer Project' in the subject line of your email.

Deadline: 30.12.22