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Applied Knowledge

Classroom Visit

Building on Class Knowledge Series

Great for: courses in subjects that closely align with the Museum's collections, such as art, anthropology, archaeology, area studies, gender studies, history, and religious studies.

Class Time One visit of 1-1.5 hours

Class Level Introductory to Intermediate Undergraduate

Class Size Maximum of 10-15 students

Objectives Connect themes, subjects, or approaches from class with real examples; practice critical

thinking and information synthesis.

Prep Instructors work with AED staff to identify Museum objects that best align with the

course material to be addressed and require application of course knowledge to create an in-class activity. Instructor should select and assign any necessary supplemental

reading.

Visit Students examine the objects (alone or in groups) and complete the in-class activity.

Post Students share in class discussion or short response prompt how they used course

knowledge to complete activity, or pose future questions based on their experience

(optional).

Examples:

- Students from a Japanese Civilization course identify ceramics and prints from different periods and work in groups to put them in chronological order.
- Students from an Age of Caesar course examine different coins minted under Caesar to extrapolate the different visual messages that were in circulation.