CSET 2410 – The London Art-Science Scene: Visual science communication for the 21st century

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5/6-5/10: M-F 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
5/11-5/12: Travel days to London
5/25-5/26: Optional trip to The Riksmuseum in Amsterdam, Holland
6/1: Travel back to Nashville

The effective communication of science to the public is essential in the twenty-first century. Failures in communicating science well have led to many important problems (e.g., vaccinations, the environment) in our public discourse. London is an exemplar city for the popularization of science; London museums offer a wide range of examples of first-class informal education and also demonstrate innovations in exhibitions and media that support public scientific engagement. Through an on-campus examination of 'the science communication problem' followed by in-depth and behind-the-scenes study of the presentation of science and how science is presented in The British Natural History Museum, The Wellcome Collection, The Science Gallery, The Art Catalyst Group, The British Library, the St. Mary’s Hospital Exhibition, and the British Art Museum in London, students will develop their own approach to the communication of science, from online forums (e.g., blogs) to science exhibitions.

FEES: Cost is approx. $11,700.00