

The University of Oklahoma recently enacted significant budget cuts and a comprehensive reduction in force initiative that negatively impacts several areas of the museum, including the Collections and Research Division of the Sam Noble Museum. The Ornithology and Recent Invertebrates Departments experienced major reductions in curatorial and collections management staff. The museum will undertake the steps necessary to insure the collections of these departments are maintained in accordance with professional curatorial standards. We will continue to facilitate research access to these collections through loans and on-site visitation. The museum will work with university administration to develop strategies to return these programs to full staffing.

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