

# Study Abroad programme in Irish and European Archaeology with Archaeological Fieldwork at Glendalough and/or Experimental Archaeology

Study Abroad Archaeology Autumn Trimester (CD28)

Study Abroad Archaeology Full Year (CD29)



# UCD School of Archaeology is Ireland's leading centre for archaeological research and teaching, offering undergraduate and graduate education programme on Irish, British, European, Mediterranean and World archaeology.

The School's academic staff are international leaders in their fields, directing exciting, multidisciplinary research projects across prehistory, medieval and historical archaeology, landscape archaeology, object studies, experimental archaeology, and archaeological sciences such as geoarchaeology, biomolecular archaeology or environmental archaeology. UCD School of Archaeology's undergraduate archaeology programme exploits the School's expertise across these many topics and periods, as well as its location in Ireland's capital city, Dublin, a hub for the nation's cultural institutions, museums and cultural heritage bodies. We are recognised internationally as being a friendly, welcoming School and are very popular with our students. We are located in a youthful, vibrant and exciting European city, and are within easy reach of many of Ireland's leading tourist attractions.

We invite Study Abroad students **with a major in Anthropology/Archaeology** to come to UCD School of Archaeology for one or two trimesters and focus on Irish and/ or European archaeology, designing pathways through our undergraduate programme to suit your academic development, and potentially joining our undergraduate training excavation at Glendalough.

## Programme Structure

Following completion of the Glendalough excavations, Study Abroad students can select a range of modules from our undergraduate pathways. An academic mentor will be appointed for each student, assisting them in selecting the modules most appropriate to their requirements. The archaeology programme consists of individual modules, comprising lectures, practicals, laboratory work, seminars, fieldwork and fieldtrips



to major archaeological monuments and landscapes, all taught by leading international researchers. Module assessments vary including individual and/or group assignments, presentations, reports, quizzes and portfolios. An outline of the undergraduate programme is available at www.ucd.ie/archaeology.

#### Autumn Trimester

Study Abroad students with an Anthropology/ Archaeology major taking the Autumn Trimester have special opportunities to take two intensive modules timetabled immediately before the teaching trimester. Non-UCD accommodation in Dublin and/or Glendalough can be recommended for these periods.

#### Excavations at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow

The excavations focus on a major early medieval monastic complex, set deep within a remote valley in the beautiful Wicklow Mountains. This module includes the two weeks of field

### Programme Overviews

This programme consists of an introduction to Irish and European archaeology allowing Study Abroad students **with an Anthropology/Archaeology major** to study with us for one or two trimesters, working with an academic mentor to select a programme of modules individually suited to their requirements. The programme is taken over one or two trimesters. If you join us for the Autumn trimester there are two special opportunities available in the three weeks before the teaching trimester begins:

- Our training excavations at the world-famous Irish monastic complex at Glendalough (two weeks); and/or
- An intensive experimental archaeology programme at our on-campus Centre for Experimental Archaeology and Material Culture (one week)



training before the start of Autumn Trimester, supplemented by laboratory work during the trimester. For those staying in Dublin transport is provided to and from Glendalough each day.

*Experimental Archaeology Intensive module* This is a week-long module set in our oncampus Centre for Experimental Archaeology and Material Culture. You will get hands on experience in a range of ancient technologies and an in-depth understanding of experimental archaeology. It runs after the Glendalough excavations and before the start of trimester.

Both modules provide incoming Study Abroad students with a friendly introduction to the School of Archaeology and a chance to work alongside their new classmates.

In 2021 the Glendalough excavations run from Mon Aug 16th – Fri Aug 27th and the Experimental Archaeology module from Mon 30th Aug – Fri 3rd Sept. The Autumn teaching trimester begins Wed Sept 8th.



These are some of the testimonials that our previous students have written about the Glendalough Archaeological Fieldschool:

"Thank you so much for a wonderful two weeks in the field. I learned so much and it was a fantastic experience which has definitely made me want to pursue archaeology further!"

"The experience of being in the field is so valuable – anyone who is studying archaeology should have it!"

"A very big thank you for one of the best experiences of my life, I absolutely adored the Archaeological Fieldschool and feel so privileged to have been exposed to so many aspects of archaeological fieldwork. ...such a wonderful module, which in my opinion was a perfect balance between learning and practicing."

#### Fees

For details of the CD28 & CD29 programme fees please see www.ucd.ie/students/fees/ which include:

- Tuition fees
- Travel from UCD to Glendalough for each day of fieldwork

A fee reduction is available for former US Study Abroad students that return to UCD for graduate studies: https://www.ucd.ie/ global/scholarships/



#### Accommodation Costs are separate.

- During Fieldwork and/or Experimental Archaeology: (Discuss with Programme coordinator) Non-UCD options include the Montrose Ziggurat (5 mins from UCD) (www.zigguratstudents.com).
- During trimester (from Sept. 8th): On campus accommodation places are limited and we regret that we are unable to guarantee accommodation to all international students. Your on campus accommodation application will be managed by UCD Global.

#### **Credit Transfer**

The successful completion of the programme carries 18 US credits (30 ECTS) per trimester. UCD will provide full information on content covered to enable Home Institutions to make decisions regarding the transfer of credits. UCD will send an official transcript to the Home Institution at the end of the programme.

#### Eligibility

THE MINIMUM GPA REQUIREMENT IS 3.00 Applicants must be undertaking a **major in** 

Anthropology/Archaeology. Applicants must take at least 25 European (15 US) credits in archaeology per trimester. In addition to the above, students must complete the UCD online application process and upload a standard form of identification (e.g. passport/birth certificate), a transcript of academic record to date and a letter of recommendation from an academic referee. All this information must be with UCD before the application deadline.

To apply please go to: www.ucd.ie/apply

Application deadline: 1st May 2021

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