



Archaeology

If you study Archaeology, we can promise you that you will see the world, time and the human condition in an entirely new way.

It is a discipline that explores the past by applying the methods of both the arts and the sciences. Through undertaking Archaeology as a degree, you will learn how to assess, explain and make connections between different types of evidence that will allow you to develop a deeper understanding about the past.

Through exploring the past in this way you will also develop practical skills valued by employers such as report writing, teamwork, presentation, communication and analytical

skills. You will study through a combination of lectures, tutorials, seminars, field trips and practical engagement.

A variety of assessment methods are used, for example continuous assessment in the form of essays, projects, group work, oral presentations and reports. Each mode of assessment is designed to support your learning through the programme and to build life skills that will be of benefit beyond the programme.

You may apply to study a single-subject Archaeology Degree from Year 3.

Careers with Archaeology

Studying Archaeology provides a flexibility of thought and a range of practical skills that make graduates highly employable in a number of sectors, including the varied and expanding heritage sector. Graduates have also found employment within the archaeological profession, in consultancy, professional contract work, museums and education. Others have used their transferable skills to become business and industry entrepreneurs,

policymakers in arts and education, journalists and cultural critics and tourism leaders.

Graduate study opportunities in UCD include the MA in Archaeology, MSc in Experimental Archaeology, the MSc in World Heritage Management and the MLitt/PhD in Archaeology.

What our Students Say

I always had an interest in Archaeology, so when I came to UCD, I decided to try it. I really enjoyed the diversity it offered, the great field trips and the lifelong friends I made.

My initial interest grew into something more than that and I decided to make a career of it. The fact that staff were so approachable helped enormously.

I have now completed a PhD in UCD School of Archaeology, researching childhood in early medieval Ireland.

Denise Keating
Archaeology PhD Graduate



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University of Oslo in Norway is one of many possible study abroad destinations.

Study Abroad

You can apply to study abroad for a semester or a year in partner universities across the globe including:

Austria	Spain
Cyprus	Sweden
Denmark	Switzerland
France	UK
Germany	US
Italy	China
Norway	Australia

Internships

In Year 3, you can apply for an optional internship in a range of sectors in the public and private sectors, for example:

Heritage	Tourism
Conservation	Media
Museums	Arts
Archives	Education

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Year 1

Engage with the Principles

Exploring Archaeology

Introduction to the Archaeology of Ireland

The Human Past

Introduction to Anthropology

Year 2

Deepen Your Understanding

Archaeology of Things

Archaeology of Landscapes

Archaeology of Prehistoric & Historic Europe

Archaeological Science

Cultural Heritage

Many additional specialist options are available in Year 3 and Year 4 and options are reviewed and updated regularly.

Year 3

Refine Your Knowledge

Archaeology of Food

Hunter Gatherers

Experimental Archaeology

Early Medieval Europe

How Archaeologists Think

Heritage Management

Optional Internship

Optional Study Abroad

You may apply to study a single-subject Archaeology Degree from Year 3.

Year 4

Further Specialisation

Archaeology & the Public

Southeast Asian Archaeology

Roman Archaeology

Wetland Archaeology

Research Project

BSc Social Sciences

Graduate Study and Career Opportunities

Specialise with UCD School of Archaeology

MA Archaeology
MSc Experimental Archaeology
MSc World Heritage Management

MLitt Archaeology
PhD Archaeology

Research & Academia

Complementary/Conversion Master's Degrees

MA Geography
MSc Environmental Policy
MSc Information Systems
MSc Sustainable Agriculture & Rural Development
MSc Geographies of the Global South
MSc Management
MSc International Management
MSc Marketing
MSc Marketing Practice
MSc Digital Curation
MSc Computer Science
Masters in Common Law

Shape your Career

Heritage Sector
Archaeologist
Museum Sector
Cartographer/Surveyor
Archivist/Libraries
Researcher
Journalist
Tourism
Policy & Environmental Consultancy
Media & Communications
Teaching
Arts & Education
Public Sector Management