

Archaeology (Sciences)

University of Aberdeen

Venues

Old Aberdeen Campus

Content

The BSc route focuses on the science side of archaeology. Courses will cover subjects such as the origins of modern humans, ancient environments, bioarchaeology, Scottish archaeology and excavation and research skills.

In seeking to understand how ancient people lived their lives, structured their world, and engaged with their environment, archaeologists ask the big questions that can provide us with the tools to tackle modern day issues such the effects of climate change, designing the 'perfect' diet, or investigating the spread of epidemics.

You will develop the practical and research skills required to work as a professional archaeologist or heritage specialist, taught and inspired by experts who are internationally recognised leaders in their fields, with many links and projects in areas of special interest overseas, such as Alaska.

Year 1: Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen; Archaeology in Action; Caves to Kingdoms: an Introduction to Prehistoric Archaeology.

Year 2: Prehistoric Britain: from Boxgrove to Bede; Test Tubes and Trowels: an Introduction to Archaeological Science; Past Lives; The Archaeology of The North: Lifeways & Cultural Change.

Year 3: Advanced Archaeological Science; Professional Archaeology i: Field Methods; Archaeological Research Project Part 1; Professional Archaeology II: Post - Excavation Analysis and Employment; Archaeological Fieldwork Portfolio.

Year 4: Archaeological Research Project Part 2; Bioarchaeology: Biological Approaches in Archaeology; Current Issues in Archaeology.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

BSc Hons

UCAS Code

F420

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

Physical Science

Department

Natural and Computing Sciences

Entry Requirements

2025 entry requirements

4 Highers at BBBB (by end of S5) including 2 maths or science subjects by end of S6 plus English, Maths and Chemistry or Physics at National 5. Those with Highers at BBB by end of S5 are encouraged to apply.

For second year entry you would require the above plus 3 Advanced Highers at ABB including two maths or science subjects at AB or BA.

Widening access entry:

2 Highers at BB (by end of S5). Additional Highers/Advanced Highers in S6.

1 Foundation Apprenticeship is accepted in place of non-essential Higher.

SCQF Level

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Progression Routes

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Combination Courses

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