Archaeology (with a year in industry)

University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI)

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Are you ready to study archaeology in a place where history is all around you? Can you imagine learning on the doorstep of world-renowned sites such as Skara Brae, Maeshowe, the Camster Cairns, and Mousa Broch?

The Highlands and Islands of Scotland offer an extraordinary setting for exploring the past, and our BA (Hons) Archaeology (with a year in industry) puts you at the heart of it. On this degree, you'll build a deep understanding of archaeological practices while developing your own hands-on skills through practical training and placements. While rooted in Scotland's rich cultural heritage, the course also takes a global perspective, helping you connect local history with broader archaeological themes.

You'll learn from passionate lecturers who lead cutting-edge research projects across the Scottish Islands, the UK and Ireland, the Atlantic region, and even as far as Polynesia. As you progress, you'll gain skills in excavation, field survey, environmental archaeology (including zooarchaeology, archaeobotany and osteoarchaeology), digital tools like photogrammetry, and archaeological illustration.

As you complete your degree, you'll be equipped not only with strong archaeological knowledge and practical skills but also with the confidence to pursue a wide range of exciting career paths. Whether you choose to continue into postgraduate research, work with heritage organisations, join commercial archaeology teams, or apply your skills in other fields, this degree will open doors for you. You'll graduate ready to make a meaningful impact by uncovering and protecting the stories of the past for future generations.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

BA Hons

UCAS Code

V402

Course Length

5 years

Department

History, Heritage and Social Studies

Entry Requirements

3 Highers at BBC including two relevant subjects.

The year in industry may require a satisfactory criminal record check from Disclosure Scotland to show that you are suitable for this type of course. Contact Disclosure Scotland for details on the type you would need.

SCQF Level

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