

The MLitt Archaeological Studies will enable you to engage critically with current themes and debates in archaeological practice, theory and method.

The range of available module options draw on the research specialisms of the Archaeology Institute staff, providing the flexibility to combine taught modules and dissertation research according to your own archaeological interests.

You can develop chronological specialisms grounded in the archaeology and heritage of the region, e.g. Prehistoric Archaeology, Viking/Norse or Medieval Archaeology.

Or you may choose to combine period-based modules with our professional skills modules to gain a broader knowledge and understanding of the diversity of methods and theory practiced within archaeology.



Study your way — full-time, part-time, at home or a UHI campus

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- You will be taught by internationally recognised experts in the field and take advantage of cutting edge research at world-renowned sites including the Ness of Brodgar, The Cairns and Skail, Rousay.
- A suite of residential and/or practical modules in excavation and post-excavation approaches is available to those who choose to study on campus.
- You can also study from your own location, studying online and by video-conference, in real-time or recordings.
- You can study individual modules for personal or professional development, or work towards the PgCert, PgDip, or full Masters degree.
- The course offers preparation for specialised research at PhD level.



Course content

Core modules

- Archaeology of the Highlands and Islands.
- Research and dissertations skills.

Optional modules

Examples include:

- Death and burial archaeology.

- Vikings and Norse in the North Atlantic.
- Neolithic studies.
- From Vikings to VE Day: Scottish Medieval and later society.
- Iron Age Scotland in the Atlantic World.
- Maritime archaeological heritage.
- Digital analysis.
- Sustainability past and present.

- Art and archaeology: contemporary theory and practice.
- Archaeobotany to archaeozoology.

Entry requirements

2:2 Honours degree or above in archaeology or a relevant subject, or equivalent academic or professional qualifications.



How will I study?

You will learn through a combination of video conference seminars, tutorials and online study via the university's virtual learning environment (VLE), with support from your tutors.

You can study from anywhere in the world using online resources

and video-conferencing — in real-time or using lecture recordings.

Assessment is by a variety of methods including essays, reports, presentation, project, practical portfolio and dissertation.