

The BSc (Hons) Archaeological Science degree explores the range of science-based methods that form an integral part of archaeological research — from archaeobotany to zooarchaeology.

On this course, you will receive high-quality, research-led teaching that allows you to develop scientific skills and knowledge through a variety of science-orientated modules.

You will participate in a range of

activities during your degree studies including taking part in world-renowned archaeological excavations, laboratory-based study, field schools, and actively engaging in research.

You will also have the opportunity to gain invaluable workplace experience through participation in our archaeological placement module, which will aid you in developing key real-world skills for life after your degree.



## Take a step into the past with us...

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- Develop practical environmental archaeology skills.
- Take part and gain skills in excavation at one of our research excavations.
- Study full-time or part-time to suit your personal circumstances.
- Learn within our new, state-of-the-art, laboratory facilities.
- Flexible study through learning at one or more of our campuses.
- Take optional modules from across UHI's Humanities subjects.



## Course content

### Modules include

- Introduction to archaeology: approaches and methods.
- Reading the landscape through time.
- World archaeology, politics and perspectives.
- Introduction to science in archaeology.
- Prehistoric Europe: Neanderthals to the Iron Age.
- Excavation skills.
- Being an archaeologist in Scotland.
- Digital heritage.
- Public archaeology and cultural heritage.
- Practical skills for environmental archaeology.
- Sustainability past and future.
- Archaeological theory and interpretation.
- Peoples, plants and animals.
- Interpreting historic worlds: Picts, Vikings, Scots and states.
- Interpreting prehistoric worlds.
- Coastal and island archaeology.

### Entry requirements

- Three Scottish Highers at grade BBC or above.
- Two A levels at grade BC or above.
- These must include a science subject at grade C or above.
- Other relevant qualifications or experience considered on an individual basis.

### ‘A year in industry...’

From 2026, students have the option to extend their degree by completing a 7-12 month placement with a partner from the heritage sector and graduating with a **BSc (Hons) Archaeological Science with year in industry**.



### How will I study?

- You will learn through a combination of scheduled video conference lectures and tutorials, and online study via the university's virtual learning environment, with support from your tutors.
- You will be required to attend two summer residential modules in Orkney.
- Study full-time or part-time.

For full details, including how to apply, see [www.uhi.ac.uk/en/courses/bsc-hons-archaeological-science](http://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/courses/bsc-hons-archaeological-science)