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6th UK

Academic Ranking of World Universities 2017

WE ARE THE MOST TARGETED UNIVERSITY IN THE UK FOR TOP GRADUATE EMPLOYERS
The Graduate Market in 2018, High Fliers Research

FROM THE

STAFF WORK AROUND THE GLOBE BRINGING INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCES
AND INSIGHTS TO LEARNING

INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED
CENTRE FOR
SOCIAL ARCHAEOLOGY

STUDENTS WORK ON SITES OF GLOBAL IMPORTANCE

GET INVOLVED
IN COMMUNITY AND
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT
PROJECTS

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STUDENT CITIES IN THE UK
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THE CITY’S OWN
ROMAN FORT

DISCOVER THE UNIVERSITY’S ON-CAMPUS
ARCHAEOLOGICAL, ANCIENT HISTORICAL
AND ETHNOGRAPHIC COLLECTIONS
AT MANCHESTER MUSEUM

4 WEEKS OF SUBSIDISED GLOBAL
FIELDWORK PLACEMENTS

GRADUATES HAVE GONE ON TO ROLES
WITH ERNST & YOUNG, RBS, NHS, AND
COUNCILS ACROSS BRITAIN
Combining insights from humanities and science, Archaeology offers you the opportunity to explore humanity from its earliest origins right up to the impact of industrialisation and globalisation on society. You’ll consider the key challenges of modern society - from climate change to new technologies, clashes of religion, violence and warfare - by examining the long-term record of our past.

The study of people lies at the heart of our courses: from exploring how the Roman Empire used architecture as a political statement, to the origins of spirituality in Prehistoric Europe. Yet we also use scientific techniques to examine ancient objects, human remains and landscapes. Study with us, and you’ll explore artefacts, architecture, ancient texts and beliefs using our well-equipped laboratories, our own departmental teaching collections, and the exclusive archives and curatorial expertise of Manchester Museum.

Our course content evolves in line with our new discoveries and emerging research, and you’ll learn by combining academic study with hands-on discovery. Fieldwork training is an integral part of our course in all years and you’ll be introduced to excavation techniques by experienced archaeologists. You’ll have the opportunity to dig for four weeks, joining research teams at sites in England, Scotland, Jersey and the Mediterranean whilst learning about staff research in the Near East and Scandinavia. Our students have worked on sites of global importance such as Stonehenge, Star Carr and Easter Island, discovering everything from the earliest portable Mesolithic art in Britain to a Viking boat burial in Scotland.

We offer excellent teaching and learning support. In recent years, we’ve achieved numerous University Teaching Award nominations for ‘Most Inspiring Lecturer’ and ‘Most Supportive Academic Advisor’, winning prizes for ‘Best e-Learning Experience’, ‘Mental Health Champion’ and ‘Disability Officer’.

You’ll be taught by world-class researchers with archaeological specialisms in identity, landscapes, monuments, material culture and social complexity. In the Research Excellence Framework 2014 (a UK-wide benchmark for research excellence) more than half of our research activity was judged to be ‘world-leading’ (4*) or ‘internationally excellent’ (3*).

You can study archaeology with us as a Single Honours subject, or combine it with other subjects such as History, Ancient History, Anthropology or Film Studies as a Joint Honours degree.

History always interested me, but I found reading books about it a bit dull. When I realised you could touch, interact and discover history, I instantly fell in love with Archaeology; that alongside the excellent staff really makes this course at The University of Manchester stand out!

Jason Walton
Archaeology undergraduate
Our Courses

Archaeology BA (3 years)
Archaeology and Anthropology BA (3 years)
Archaeology and History BA (3 years)
Ancient History and Archaeology (3 years)
Archaeology and Film Studies BA (3 years)*

*See Drama brochure for more information

How to apply:
www.manchester.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applications

Please note that the course units listed in this brochure only represent a sample of the full breadth of available units for each course. For up-to-date course information, including unit detail and entry requirements in full, visit our course finder: www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate

Archaeology BA
UCAS code V400 (3 years)

- Explore archaeology from the Palaeolithic period to the recent past.
- Get a broad foundation of archaeological ideas, principles and techniques then specialise in areas / periods of specific interest.
- Join fieldwork and excavation projects in Herefordshire, the Peak District, the Yorkshire Wolds, the Channel Islands or the Mediterranean.

YEAR 1:
Gain a broad based understanding of archaeological history and the methods and theories involved in the interpretation of past societies. Discover the process of archaeological fieldwork and the principles of excavation through lab-based study, artefact handling sessions, and hands-on field trips. Explore additional units in archaeology from both Britain and the wider world.

YEAR 2:
Explore the emergence of archaeology from antiquarianism, and the ‘big ideas’ from philosophy and theory – power and ideology, phenomenology and materialism - that help analyse past societies. Acquire the skills to frame your research questions, collect and analyse data, and present your results. Use this knowledge to develop a research topic of your own choice, which can include discoveries from your fieldwork. Begin to explore period and thematic specialisms through a wide breadth of optional course units.

YEAR 3:
Gain an understanding of the power of the past and the importance of heritage in the modern world, addressing the issues faced by archaeologists. Continue to develop your own expertise through a range of optional course units and complete a dissertation based on your own independent research.

Sample Course Units:

YEAR 1:
- Discoverers and Discoveries: Sites and Sights
- Doing Archaeology I
- Understanding the Past: Human stories through science
- Origins and Transformations: Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Europe
- Why the Past Matters
- Artefacts and Interpretation

YEAR 2:
- Thinking through Archaeology
- Doing Archaeology II
- People Behind the Patterns
- Long Essay

YEAR 3:
- The Making of the Mediterranean and Mesopotamian Worlds
- Dissertations
ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORY BA
UCAS code VV30 (3 years)

- Study past cultures not just through the texts that framed their lives, but the landscapes, architecture and objects they made or inhabited.
- Combine the best of both worlds: training in critical historical source analysis with practical archaeological methods.
- Study Ancient, Medieval or Modern History, as well as Economic and Social History, or even specialise in the History of Science, Technology and Medicine.

YEAR 1:
Gain core skills for dealing with the analysis of written evidence, as well as archaeological fieldwork methods. Units will train you in conceptual and methodological issues in History, while you’ll study the history of Archaeology, undertaking hands-on practicals in the lab, museum and field to prepare you for two weeks of excavation in the summer. Complement these with a wide range of ancient historical, historical and archaeological options.

YEAR 2:
You have much greater choice from a rich range of history optional modules and can also undertake your own guided but independent research project through the History Long Essay. In archaeology, core courses on theories and methods deepen your understanding of the ways we use and interpret evidence, and your excavation skills and opportunity to travel are enriched by a further two weeks of subsidised fieldwork.

YEAR 3:
Develop your chosen specialism in either Archaeology or History, or bridge the two disciplines through your dissertation; an extended independent research project. Continue to select from a breadth of optional course units in both disciplines.

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ARCHAEOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY BA
UCAS code VL46 (3 years)

Anthropology provides archaeologists with the frameworks to understand living societies, their artefacts and built environments: the two disciplines complement each other well, bridging the study of past and present humanity.

- Gain a fascinating knowledge of cultural diversity in the past, and a sophisticated understanding of the social and material dimensions of human life.
- Develop a range of analytical and practical skills to help you contribute to a richer understanding of individuals and institutions.

YEAR 1:
Gain core skills in the interpretation of specific aspects of past societies; the social and historical context of archaeology; the ‘social construction’ of human realities and anthropological theories surrounding culture and society. Explore archaeological fieldwork and the principles of excavation, with two subsidised weeks on a project of your choice. Get to know staff in both departments and develop an interest in specific periods or themes.

YEAR 2:
Study the ‘big ideas’ and concepts which help us analyse past societies while deepening your understanding of how objects and materials shape human worlds. Another two weeks of subsidised fieldwork give you the opportunity to travel to a project in the UK or abroad.

YEAR 3:
Complete a dissertation based on your own independent research in either Archaeology or Anthropology, building on a further range of option modules.

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ARCHEOLOGY AND ANCIENT HISTORY
UCAS code VV14 (3 years)

- Learn about the ancient Mediterranean empires and the Greek and Roman worlds alongside the archaeology of Britain and wider Western Europe.
- Study ancient languages – taking you right from basics or developing an existing expertise to a higher level.
- Gain knowledge of two complementary approaches to the past while gaining key skills in analysis and interpretation.

YEAR 1:
Gain a solid foundation in archaeology by exploring life and death in the Ancient World, and some of the most spectacular discoveries from around the globe. Explore the Roman world, including changes in society, and the collapse of its political structures. Study key developments in Greek political, cultural and social history during the archaic period. Then select from a breadth of additional optional units in both subject areas. Two weeks of archaeological fieldwork in the UK or abroad in your first summer enable you to travel to see and work on sites first-hand.

YEAR 2:
Explore the major ideas and approaches used by archaeologists or focus more upon practical skills learned in your first summer of fieldwork. Examine the ‘golden age’ of the Roman Empire or politics and society in Classical Greece. Design your own independent research project through a ‘Long Essay’ in either Archaeology or Ancient History, and enhance your employability and travel through two further weeks of subsidised fieldwork.

YEAR 3:
By now, you’ll have developed a keen interest in a topic which you can research in-depth for a Dissertation in either Archaeology or Ancient History. Continue to specialise in specific areas of interest.

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Francesca Casaburi
Undergraduate Student
School of Arts, Languages and Cultures
How you’ll learn

A variety of teaching methods are used, including:

- Tutorials
- Seminars
- Laboratory sessions
- Lectures
- Fieldwork
- One-to-one tutorials
- Group exercises
- Presentations
- Reports
- Original research guided by academic tutors

How you’ll be assessed

Assessment includes:

- Written examinations
- Coursework essays
- Research reports
- Practical tests
- Fieldwork workbooks
- Individual projects
- Oral presentations
- Third year dissertation
- Digital posters
- Audio Performances

Archaeological Laboratories

Microscopes, digital cameras, delicate measuring equipment and portable XRF allow you to analyse and record objects, enhanced by training in digital illustration and GIS packages. Our landscape survey and geophysics equipment can be loaned for fieldwork, and you can access training through our dedicated technician.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

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Our Flexible Honours scheme may offer you the opportunity to study an additional arts, languages or cultures subject, allowing you to create a unique blend of knowledge, experience and transferable skills to suit your needs.

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* Please note that all Flexible Honours subject combinations are subject to academic approval, availability and timetabling constraints.
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A degree from The University of Manchester will open doors to a wide range of careers

All of our degrees place a strong emphasis on professional standards and ethical practice. Study with us and you’ll combine academic and practical skills with a truly interdisciplinary mix of humanities and science training.

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- Rigorous intellectual skills of interpretation
- Research and analytical skills
- Producing portfolios
- Manipulating complex data
- Devising marketing materials
- Creating broadcast content
- Demonstrating an understanding of different cultures and societies
- Working as part of a team
- Managing time, resources and people

Professions
We have a strong success rate of progression to further study or employment within six months of graduation. Recent graduates have become commercial archaeologists, heritage and environment officers, editors, broadcasters, journalists, accountants, writers and researchers.

Areas of employment include:

- Archaeology consultant
- Construction
- Local government planning
- Teacher
- Solicitors and barristers
- Media
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- Health scientists

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Postgraduate Study
A popular route for our students is to pursue postgraduate study. We offer a wide range of specialist master’s programmes within the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures, to suit all undergraduate pathways.

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We are committed to developing your employability. You’ll have the opportunity to become a regular volunteer at the University’s own Manchester Museum and multiple award-winning Whitworth Art Gallery, gaining invaluable cultural sector expertise. You’ll also undertake archaeological fieldwork, ethnographic research or a museum placement with us, either here in the UK or overseas, building your experience of practical archaeology as well as key leadership, communication and creative problem-solving skills.
To help you find your unique path to personal and professional success, you’ll need opportunities to develop and grow.

At Manchester, we call this process **Stellify**: to change, or be changed, into a star. Here, you’ll find a whole host of transformational academic and extracurricular activities to help you do more and be more – and you could even prove your abilities to potential employers by gaining a prestigious award.

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**Understand the issues that matter**
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**Make a difference**
Contribute to and learn from local and global communities through volunteering.

**Step up and lead**
Gain confidence and experience by assisting and inspiring your peers.

**Create your future**
Explore countless opportunities for professional career development.

As a committee member of the Women’s Theatre Society and a Student Representative for my course, I’ve been able to meet people I wouldn’t have otherwise, enhance my communication skills, and effect change on campus.

**Edda Vallen**
BA English Literature

To learn more about Stellify visit

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Study abroad is an excellent opportunity for you to see the world, experience new cultures and study at one of our partner institutions overseas. Most of our undergraduate courses allow you to spend time – usually a semester – at one of our partner institutions outside the UK. Study abroad periods are available either in Year 2 of a three-year course, or in Year 3 of a four-year course.

Studying abroad at one of our approved institutions gives you the chance to develop expertise in the archaeology of your host country. Destination-specific specialisms such as Inuit material culture, Australian rock art, or Scandinavian hoards, could shape the content of your final year dissertation.

In addition, as part of your studies you’ll have the opportunity to join research teams at sites across the globe. Whether you choose to join a dig on Bronze Age settlements in Cyprus, ancient art and artefacts in Jersey or colonial sites in Australia, this life-changing experience will see you work with practiced archaeologists to make discoveries that help to shape our knowledge of the world.

Find out more about what it’s like to study abroad through our social channels, including our blog, Manchester on the Road, written by students currently studying abroad.

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The University of Manchester’s Students’ Union is run by students, for students. The biggest students’ union in the UK, it’s home to a free, confidential, professional advice service, and Manchester Academy – one of the UK’s most iconic music venues, as well as more than 300 societies.

The Archaeology Society is open to anyone with an interest in archaeology, including students and the wider community. Join trips to museums, monuments, conferences and places of archaeological interest, as well as research seminars and artefact handling sessions. Experimental archaeology sessions include flint knapping and pottery making. The society also holds fun socials and competitions and provides opportunities for volunteering and placements.

For more information about this and other societies visit: www.manchesterstudentsunion.com
CULTURE ON CAMPUS

Study with us and you’ll have exclusive access to award-winning learning resources, including some of the city’s key cultural assets:

1. The John Rylands Library
   You’ll have access to the library’s impressive special collections, including papyri, medieval manuscripts and early printed books.
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2. Manchester Museum
   Archaeology students can go behind-the-scenes to handle, analyse and interpret rare artefacts, including one of the finest Egyptology collections in Britain.
   www.museum.manchester.ac.uk

3. The Martin Harris Centre for Music and Drama
   The Martin Harris Centre offers students a fantastic space to study and perform, as well as hosting professional musicians, performers and prize-winning authors. It stages contemporary and classic theatre, music and comedy events, and holds a regular reading series with literary figures.
   www.martinharriscentre.manchester.ac.uk

4. The Whitworth
   Our multiple award-winning gallery holds important archaeological textile collections, as well as art and sculpture on themes such as landscape as part of its broader internationally significant collections.
   www.whitworth.manchester.ac.uk
A degree from The University of Manchester will give me lots of benefits. It’s already opened many doors, and allowed me to get onto a Master’s course and a summer internship with the British Museum.

Natalie Branca
BA (Hons) Archaeology and Anthropology
## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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