

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for postgraduate programmes](#), and the [marking and classification conventions for postgraduate programmes](#).

MA Museum and Artefact Studies (V6K607)

1. This programme is available at Durham City in a full-time (12 months) or part-time (24 months) mode of study.

Admissions

2. In considering applications a candidate's experience of museums and artefacts will carry significant weight.
3. The programme is intended for students who hold a first degree or other appropriate qualification and who wish to acquire knowledge and practical experience in museum and material culture studies.
4. English language requirements: IELTS 7.0 or above with no component below 6.5; TOEFL IBT (Internet Based Test) 102 or above (with no component below 25).

Programme structure

5. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

| | | Credit value |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Approaches to Museum and Artefact Studies~ | ARCH50130 | 30 |
| Museum Principles and Practice~ | ARCH54530 | 30 |
| Artefact Studies~ | ARCH54630 | 30 |

6. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 90 credits in:

EITHER (Dissertation Route)

7. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

| | | Credit value |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Dissertation~ | ARCH55360 | 60 |

8. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List A:

| List A: | | Credit value |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Research Topics in Prehistoric Archaeology~ | ARCH52730 | 30 |
| Research Topics in the Archaeology of Egypt, Ancient India and the Near East~ | ARCH52830 | 30 |
| Research Topics in the Archaeology of the Classical World~ | ARCH52930 | 30 |
| Research Topics in Medieval and Post Medieval Archaeology | ARCH53030 | 30 |
| Care of Collections~ | ARCH54930 | 30 |
| Museum Communication~ | ARCH55230 | 30 |

OR (Non-Dissertation Route)

9. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

| List B: | | Credit value |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Research Paper in Museum and Artefact Studies~ | ARCH52230 | 30 |
| Care of Collections~ | ARCH54930 | 30 |
| Museum Communication~ | ARCH55230 | 30 |

10. Candidates will also be required to attend such fieldwork/museum visits/work placements as may be deemed appropriate by the Board of Studies.

Assessment, progression and award

11. If a candidate fails a module he/she may be given an opportunity to resit the relevant assessment(s) before the end of the academic year at a time to be determined by the Department.
12. The award of MA 'with distinction' will be made to those candidates who achieve an average mark (at the first attempt) of at least 70% in modules to the value of 180 credits and the achievement of at least 70% in the Dissertation ([ARCH55360](#)) where that programme route has been chosen.
13. The award of 'MA with Merit' will be made to those candidates who achieve an average mark (at the first attempt) of at least 60% in modules to the value of 180 credits where the candidate does not meet the criteria for the award of distinction and the achievement of at least 60% in the Dissertation ([ARCH55360](#)) where that programme route has been chosen.
14. Modules Marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.