

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
Debating Heritage and Museums	ARCH42730	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 Archaeology~	ARCH52730	30
Care of Collections (Museum Studies)~	ARCH42630	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 (Museum Studies)~	ARCH42630	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 (Dissertation Route)

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 (ARCH 55360) 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 (ARCH 55360) where that programme route has been chosen.
14. Students registered for the Masters degree who have achieved a mark of at least 50% on modules carrying at least 120 credits, and on such individual modules as are indicated in the Special Regulations, are eligible for the award of Postgraduate Diploma. A Postgraduate Diploma "with Distinction" will be awarded to students who achieve an average mark of at least 70% on modules carrying at least 120 credits and a Postgraduate Diploma "with Merit" to those who achieve an average mark of 60%. Students shall normally proceed to this award only after any opportunity for re-examination at Masters level has been exhausted.
15. Students registered for the Masters degree who have achieved a mark of at least 50% on modules carrying at least 60 credits, and on such individual modules as are indicated in the Special Regulations, are eligible for the award of Postgraduate Certificate. A Postgraduate Certificate "with Distinction" will be awarded to students who achieve an overall average mark of at least 70% across all the modules taken, and a Postgraduate Certificate "with Merit" to those who achieve an average mark of 60%. Students shall normally proceed to this award only after any opportunity for re-examination at Masters level has been exhausted.
16. Modules Marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.

Assessment, progression and award (Non-Dissertation Route)

17. 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.
18. 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.
19. 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.
20. Students registered for the Masters degree who have achieved a mark of at least 50% on modules carrying at least 120 credits, and on such individual modules as are indicated in the Special Regulations, are eligible for the award of Postgraduate Diploma. A Postgraduate Diploma "with Distinction" will be awarded to students who achieve an average mark of at least 70% on modules carrying at least 120 credits and a Postgraduate Diploma "with Merit" to those who achieve an average mark of 60%. Students shall normally proceed to this award only after any opportunity for re-examination at Masters level has been exhausted.
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