

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

BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64)

BA Anthropology and Archaeology with Year Abroad (LF01)

BA Anthropology and Archaeology with Placement Year (LF02)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in a full-time mode of study. The lead department is Anthropology.

Level 1 (Certificate)

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

		Credit value
Doing Anthropological Research #	ANTH1101	20
Being Human: An Introduction to the History and Practice of Anthropology	ANTH1111	20
Introduction to Archaeological Methods ^	ARCH1047	10
Scientific Methods in Archaeology 1 ^	ARCH1027	10
Discovering World Prehistory #	ARCH1121	20

3. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List A:

List A:		Credit value
Human Evolution and Diversity	ANTH1091	20
Peoples and Cultures	ANTH1061	20
Health, Illness and Society	ANTH1041	20
A module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study ⊖		20

4. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List B:

List B:		Credit value
Archaeology in Britain	ARCH1071	20
Ancient Civilisations of the East	ARCH1111	20
Cities in Antiquity	ARCH1131	20
Medieval to Modern: An Introduction to the Archaeology of the Medieval to Post Medieval World	ARCH1141	20
A module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study ⊖		

Level 2 (Diploma)

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

		Credit value
Debating Archaeology and Anthropology	ANTH2217	10
Research Project Design	ANTH2187	10

6. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 100 credits from Lists C and D, with at least 40 credits from each list:

List C:		Credit value
Anthropological Research Methods in Action	ANTH2231	20
Palaeoanthropology: The Story of Human Evolution	ANTH2307	10
Mind and Culture	ANTH2297	10
Primate Societies	ANTH2327	10
Reading the Skeleton	ANTH2337	10
Critical Global Health	ANTH2267	10
Sex, Reproduction, and Health	ANTH2367	10

Health and Inequality	ANTH2277	10
Anthropology of the Body	ANTH2257	10
Relations and Belonging	ANTH2347	10
Markets and Exchange	ANTH2287	10
Power and Inequality	ANTH2317	10
Ritual, Religion and Belief	ANTH2357	10
Sustainability and the Environment *	ANTH2377	10
The Anthropocene and Multispecies Anthropology	ANTH2387	10
A module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study ☉		20

List D :		Credit value
Scientific Methods in Archaeology 2	ARCH2041	20
Prehistoric Europe: From Foragers to State Formation	ARCH2081	20
Becoming Roman: From Iron Age to Empire in Italy and the West	ARCH2091	20
Ancient Mediterranean Civilisations: East and West	ARCH2161	20
Archaeology of medieval and Post-medieval Britain in its European Context	ARCH2131	20
The East Mediterranean World in the Bronze Age	ARCH2141	20
Advanced Skills (20 Credits)	ARCH2221	20
A module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study ☉		20

Level 3 (Degree)

7. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List E:

List E:		Credit value
Dissertation (Interdisciplinary Anthropology and Archaeology)	ANTH3742	40
Dissertation (Anthropology) ~	ANTH3162	40
Dissertation (Archaeology) ~	ARCH3362	40

8. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List F. The availability of 10 credit modules will vary from year to year.

List F:		Credit value
Mediterranean Connections	ANTH30G7	10
Anthropology, Art, and Experience	ANTH3937	10
Exhibiting Anthropology *	ANTH30A7	10
Capitalism in Ruins *	ANTH3787	10
Social Anthropology of Hormones	ANTH3307	10
Anthropology of Ethics and Morality	ANTH3927	10
Anthropologies of Knowledge	ANTH30N7	10
Anthropology of Sport	ANTH3957	10
Anthropological Skills for Climate Change Survival *	ANTH3947	10
Power and Governance *	ANTH30F7	10
Violence and Memory	ANTH3247	10
Physical Activity for Health: Anthropological / Critical Perspectives	ANTH3797	10
Evolutionary Medicine: Maternal and Infant Health	ANTH3297	10
Political Ecologies of Health	ANTH30S7	10
Applied Anthropology *	ANTH30Q7	10
Evolving Knowledge Systems *	ANTH30R7	10
Evolution of Cooperation	ANTH3877	10
Comparative Cognition and Culture *	ANTH30D7	10
Evolution of Arts *	ANTH30T7	10
Technological Primates	ANTH3317	10
Primates in Peril *	ANTH3867	10
Forensic Anthropology	ANTH3887	10
Palaeoanthropology and Palaeoecology	ANTH3897	10
People and Nature	ANTH30U7	10
Decolonising Anthropology	ANTH30C7	10
Specialised Aspects of Evolutionary Anthropology *	ANTH3907	10
Specialised Aspects of Social Anthropology *	ANTH3917	10
Specialised Aspects of Health and Medical Anthropology *	ANTH3287	10
Anthropology Field Course £	ANTH30B1	10

Religion and Contemporary Society *	ANTH30M7	10
Social Movements in Interdisciplinary Perspectives	ANTH30P7	10
Global Mental Health: A Critical Anthropological Perspective *	ANTH30J7	10
A module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study ⊖		20

9. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List G:

List G :		Credit value
Specialised Aspects of Archaeology (40 credits)	ARCH3472	40
Specialised Aspects of Archaeology (20 credits)	ARCH3451	20
Advanced Professional Training ¥ £	ARCH3581	20
Current Archaeology	ARCH3591	20
Interpreting Heritage	ARCH3601	20
Museum Representation	ARCH3621	20
Archaeology and Global Sustainable Development	ARCH3641	20
Scientific Methods in Archaeology 3	ARCH3611	20
A module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study ⊖		20

Assessment, progression and award

- Modules marked with * are not running in 2026-27.
- Modules marked with # must be passed at 40% or above in order to progress to the next level of the programme.
- Not more than one dissertation may be submitted.
- Only one module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study marked ⊖ may be taken at Level 1 and only one such module over Levels 2 and 3 combined. Note that if Doing Anthropological Research ANTH1101 is taken at Level 2, a Level 1 20 credit module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study cannot also be taken at Level 2.
- Modules marked with ~ must be passed at 40% or above for the award of an honours degree. A mark of 30 – 39% cannot be compensated.
- Modules marked with ¥ require students to attend three weeks on a placement specified by the Board of Studies in Archaeology. For the Level 2 module Professional Training this will normally be an excavation placement during the summer preceding entry to Level 2. For the Level 3 module Advanced Professional Training this will normally take place during the summer preceding entry to Level 3.
- Modules marked with £: fieldwork modules can be taken in both Anthropology and Archaeology but University funding will only be available for fieldwork in **one** of the Departments.

Year Abroad

- Students admitted to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) are able to apply to transfer to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Year Abroad) programme (LF01). Students undertaking the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Year Abroad) (LF01) programme will undertake an approved study placement in an overseas university taking a course of study chosen in consultation with the programme director and the host institution. During the year abroad students will be assessed at module level by the host University. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BA Anthropology and Archaeology with Year Abroad.
- Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Year Abroad) (LF01) must:
 - have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) and progressed to Level 2 of the programme, and;
 - during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of Anthropology (the lead Department for the programme) to be admitted to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Year Abroad) (LF01) and have their application approved by the Chairs of the Boards of Studies in the Department of Anthropology and the Department of Archaeology, and;
 - successfully complete Level 2 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) programme.

19. Students who the Board of Examiners for the Department of Anthropology deem to have made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will continue to Level 3 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Year Abroad) (LF01). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Year Abroad) (LF01) programme, but must instead proceed to Level 3 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) programme.

Placement Year

20. Students admitted to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) are able to apply to transfer to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Placement Year) programme (LF02). Students taking the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Placement Year) (LF02) will undertake an approved placement or placements in a UK or overseas organisation consisting of at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience.

During the placement year, students will be required to successfully complete a placement assessment as agreed by the Department, to determine whether the programme learning outcomes have been met. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Placement Year) (LF02). If a student fails, they will transfer to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) programme.

21. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Placement Year) (LF02) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) and progressed to Level 2 of the programme; and
 - b. secure a placement opportunity or opportunities comprising at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience, agreed with the Departmental Placement Year Convenor and Faculty Placement Officer; and
 - c. successfully complete Level 2 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (LF64).
22. Students whom the Board of Examiners for the Department of Anthropology deem to have fulfilled the programme learning outcomes and who successfully pass the placement assessment will continue to Level 3 of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Placement Year) (LF02). Students who fail will not be permitted to continue on the BA Anthropology and Archaeology (with Placement Year) (LF02) programme, but must instead proceed to the final year of the BA Anthropology and Archaeology programme (LF64).