



Certificate of Higher Education in Field Archaeology

The Certificate in Field Archaeology is a two-year set programme of courses. Students take three core courses in their first year, worth 20 credits each, and a further three core courses in their second year of study, again each worth 20 credits: total, 120 credits at the end of the two years.

N.B. Students are required to enrol and pay for the year's three courses together at the start of the year, for which there is a set fee. For this session's fee, please see the 2014-2015 CertHE brochure

The core courses of the Certificate Field Archaeology all aim introduce students to the fundamentals of archaeological field survey and British, especially Scottish, archaeology. The courses combine lectures with essay and project writing, visits to museums and archaeological sites, hands-on laboratory classes, computer-based exercises and practical field experience, by means of which students will be introduced to subjects ranging from aerial photography to archaeozoology, with a particular focus on field survey techniques. Tutors for the programme are drawn predominantly from amongst practising archaeologists, with further contributions from members of staff of the University of Glasgow and other qualified professionals. Specific techniques and period studies throughout the certificate's courses are taught by recognised specialists in the relevant fields.

Timetable

In year 1 the student progresses from an introduction to the archaeology of Prehistoric and Roman Scotland in the first semester, to an introduction to the theory and practice of field archaeology in the second semester, concluding with a week-long field school in the summer focusing on elementary field survey methods.

The student will then progress onto year 2, which comprises an introduction to Medieval and Post-Medieval archaeology in Scotland in semester 1, further archaeological theory and practice in semester 2, and a second, week-long field school in the summer, covering advanced field survey techniques.

The 2014-15 courses that provide credits towards this Certificate are listed below. Any courses in grey count towards this certificate but will not be available this year.

Year 1

Code	Course title	Credits
16613	The archaeology of Scotland 1: Prehistoric & Roman archaeology	20 credits at level 1
17031	Field school 1	20 credits at level 1
16585	The theory & practice of Field Archaeology 1	20 credits at level 1

Year 2

Code	Course title	Credits
	The Archaeology of Scotland 2: Early Historic, Medieval & Post Medieval Archaeology	20 credits at Level 1
	The Theory & Practice of Field Archaeology 2	20 credits at Level 1
	Field School 2	20 credits at Level 1

N.B. Year 2 courses will be available for enrolment in the 2015-16 session.



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Registering interest

Enrolment for year one of the Certificate in Field Archaeology will start in August 2014. Students who have registered interest will be notified in advance. To register interest, contact either Angela McDonald or Laureen Sykes (contact details appear below).

Taking courses individually

At the moment, it is not possible to take individual courses, but if you are interested in this as an option, please contact: Angela McDonald

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Or contact Laureen Sykes in the CertHE office:

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To view all of the other Certificate of Higher Education courses available in 2014-15, please see the CertHE [course brochure](#).

[\[Click here to send us an email telling us you're interested in a course that's not currently running; if we get enough interest we would be happy to run it next year.\]](#)