Master's in Archaeology

Mediterranean Archaeology

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This programme will provide you with the unique opportunity to explore the long history of interconnections and cultural exchanges in the Mediterranean region from approximately 2,000 BC onwards, all the while taking into account numerous aspects of material culture. The long and rich traditions of both the University of Amsterdam (UvA) and Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU) are combined with innovative approaches of 21st-century archaeology.

The degree examines Mediterranean connectivity, with a focus on Italy and Greece, the role of ceramics in archaeology and cultural interpretations on the basis of archaeological materials. Students are given the opportunity to participate in archaeological fieldwork or engage in materials practice as part of an individual tutorial. Fieldwork is conducted at a variety of locations in Italy, Greece and Turkey, including the archaeological site of Troy in Turkey, Halos in Greece and Satricum in Italy.
Career prospects

Graduates can be employed in positions requiring an in-depth knowledge of the Mediterranean world, as well as jobs requiring broader academic skills. The knowledge and experience gained in connection with international archaeological fieldwork will mean that you are well-placed to pursue a professional career in archaeology, for example in archaeological services and institutions of (international) heritage management.

In addition, your understanding of the material culture of the Mediterranean will make you ideally qualified for work in museums and educational institutions, while your wide-ranging knowledge of many different Mediterranean cultures can be applied to careers in journalism, tourism and publishing.

Graduates can also go on to a PhD programme at the UvA, another Dutch university or a university abroad.

Spotlight on a course

**Mediterranean Connectivity (6 EC)**
We will reflect on the historical and cultural definition of the Mediterranean and the historiography of Mediterranean studies, with a focus on developments over the last 20 years. In each session, we will discuss a set of theoretical concepts on the basis of key literature and case studies. The theoretical issues and case studies are arranged in such a way that they together will give you a diachronic overview of important phases of interconnectedness (and disconnectedness) in the first millennia BC Mediterranean.
Entry requirements

The Master’s in Mediterranean Archaeology is open to all students with a university Bachelor’s diploma in:

- Archaeology

The level of the Bachelor’s diploma from a foreign higher education institution must be equal to three years of Dutch university education (to be judged by the Examinations Board).

For more information, please check: uva.nl/ma-mediterranean-archaeology > Application and admission