

General Introduction to Archaeology (A003304)

Due to Covid 19, the education and evaluation methods may vary from the information displayed in the schedules and course details. Any changes will be communicated on Ufora.

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 5.0 **Study time** 150 h **Contact hrs** 40.0 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2020-2021

A (semester 1)	Dutch	Gent	guided self-study	10.0 h
			lecture	30.0 h

Lecturers in academic year 2020-2021

Bourgeois, Jean	LW02	lecturer-in-charge
Crombé, Philippe	LW02	co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2020-2021

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Bachelor of Arts in African Languages and Cultures	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Art History, Musicology and Theatre Studies	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in History	5	A
Exchange Programme Archaeology	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Archaeology	5	A

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Archaeology, history, methodology

Position of the course

This basic course is part of a series Methodology. The course intends to give a general overview of methods and theories in European archaeology.

Contents

General overview of different aspects of archaeology as discipline. Amongst others, history of archaeology, archaeological theories, taphonomic processes, relative dating, etc.

Initial competences

Accessible to all students, without specific previous knowledge

Final competences

- 1 To have critical insight into the evolution of archaeology as a science.
- 2 To have knowledge of the large movements that define archaeology.
- 3 To recognise the taxonomic processes archaeology deals with.
- 4 To be able to apply different relative dating techniques (typology, seriation, stratigraphy,...)
- 5 To have a first critical insight in the role of archaeology as an actor in the society of today (ethics, management, archaeology and politics)

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods

Guided self-study, lecture

Extra information on the teaching methods

Lectures with PowerPoint. Guided self-study: mandatory literature.

Learning materials and price

Syllabus, PowerPoint presentations and mandatory literature will be made available.

Cost: 25 euro

References

Renfrew C., Bahn P., 2012. Archaeology: Theory, Methods, and Practice, London: Thames and Hudson (sixth edition).

Course content-related study coaching

Weekly visiting hours and via Minerva.

Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Written examination with open questions

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Written examination with open questions

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation**Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation**

not applicable

Extra information on the examination methods

100% periodical. Final written examination. More insight than encyclopedic knowledge

Calculation of the examination mark

100% periodical

Facilities for Working Students

Facilities:

- 1 Possible exemption from educational activities requiring student attendance
- 2 Feedback can be given by email

Extra information:

For more information concerning flexible learning: contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and philosophy