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“You are now in a place where the best courses upon Earth are within your reach . . . such an opportunity you will never again have.”

Thomas Jefferson, American Founding Father and President (speaking to his son-in-law, Thomas Mann Randolph, as he began his studies at Edinburgh in 1786)

The University

Our proud history and alumni ambassadors

For more than 400 years our staff and students have been making their mark on the world. They've explored space, revolutionised surgery, won Nobel Prizes, published era-defining books, run the country, paved the way for life-saving breakthroughs and laid the foundations for solving the mysteries of the universe. By choosing further study or research at Edinburgh you will be joining a community of scholars who have been at the forefront of knowledge since 1583.

We are associated with 20 Nobel Prize winners, including physicists Peter Higgs, Charles Barkla and Max Born, medical researcher Peter Doherty, economist Sir James Mirrlees and biologist Sir Paul Nurse. Our distinguished alumni include NASA astronaut Piers Sellers, former MI5 Director-General Dame Stella Rimington, Olympians Sir Chris Hoy and Katherine Grainger and historical greats such as philosopher David Hume, physicist and mathematician James Clerk Maxwell, inventor Alexander Graham Bell and Sherlock Holmes creator Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Teaching and research excellence

We are consistently ranked as one of the world's top 50 universities. We are 17th in the 2014/15 QS World University Rankings. As host to more than 30,000 students from some 137 countries, studying across 100 academic disciplines, the University of Edinburgh continues to attract the world's greatest minds. In the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, 83 per cent of our research was judged world-leading or internationally excellent. We're ranked fourth in the UK for research power, based on the quality and breadth of our research. Our excellent teaching was also confirmed in the latest report from the Quality Assurance Agency, which awarded us the highest rating possible for the quality of the student learning experience.

Collaborations and international partnerships

As an internationally renowned centre of academic excellence, Edinburgh is the site of many world-class research collaborations. Our postgraduate students are crucial to our continued success and development and, along with our staff, they forge research links through regular travel and overseas exchanges. We take pride in our partnerships with other institutions such as the California Institute of Technology (Caltech), Stanford University, the University of Melbourne, Peking University, the University of Delhi

and the University of KwaZulu-Natal – to name but a few. We are a member of both the League of European Research Universities and the Coimbra Group, giving us strong links with leading European institutions from Barcelona to Berlin.

Linking research and commerce

Edinburgh was one of the first UK universities to actively develop commercial links with industry, government and the professions. Edinburgh Research and Innovation (ERI) has continued, for the past four decades, to develop the promotion and commercialisation of the University's research excellence. ERI assists our postgraduates in taking a first step to market, whether it is through collaborative research, licensing technology or providing consultancy services.

Enhancing your career

We're ranked 18th in the world for the employability of our graduates.* With one of the best track records for graduate employment in the Russell Group, we are committed to embedding employability into your teaching and learning experience. From offering access to volunteering schemes to providing support from our sector-leading Careers Service, the University provides myriad opportunities to develop your skills, knowledge and experience giving you the edge in a competitive job market.

An inspiring destination

Your first-class education will take place in one of Europe's most striking capital cities, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is regularly voted one of the best places in the world to live. Edinburgh enjoys a solid reputation as a centre for innovation, whether as home to the 18th-century Scottish Enlightenment, as a modern source of pioneering science, medicine and technology, or as the host of the world's largest and longest-established arts festival. You couldn't ask for a more inspiring setting in which to further your knowledge and broaden your horizons.

Join us

Edinburgh offers unparalleled academic breadth and diversity, making it a vibrant, challenging and stimulating environment for postgraduate study. Whether you plan to change direction, enhance your existing career or develop in-depth knowledge of your area of study, the University of Edinburgh provides a world-class learning experience.

* Latest Emerging Global Employability University Rankings

WELCOME TO THE SCHOOL OF HISTORY, CLASSICS & ARCHAEOLOGY

As one of the largest of its kind in the UK, the University of Edinburgh's School of History, Classics & Archaeology is one of the great world centres for the study of the human past.

The University of Edinburgh is ranked 4th in Europe and 12th in the world for humanities*. Our expertise in the School of History, Classics & Archaeology ranges from the ancient to the contemporary, and stretches to every corner of the globe. This allows us to offer an unrivalled and wide-ranging portfolio of graduate programmes.

We offer a diverse and energetic research culture, covering many periods, areas and themes. Our home is the William Robertson Wing, an A-listed building on the southern edge of Edinburgh's Old Town – a UNESCO World Heritage site. Designed by the distinguished 19th-century architect Sir Robert Rowand Anderson, the building – part of the University's Old Medical School – was refurbished in 2010 to an exceptional standard, providing state-of-the-art facilities for research, teaching and study.

Be inspired by world-class research

With a tradition in research in archaeology, classics and history that can be traced back to the 18th century, we can offer our graduate students a stimulating study environment that draws from a solid foundation in research excellence. Many of our researchers are global experts in their field and the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 ranked us third in the UK for history and fifth in the UK for classics research. Overall, 67 per cent of our research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent, with a high of 83 per cent for our history research.

We host numerous research centres, groups and projects, including the internationally renowned Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict, the Scottish Centre for Diaspora Studies and the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies.

History

History at Edinburgh is one of the largest and most distinguished centres of its kind. In fact, we hold the oldest established

Chair in Scottish History. Our teaching offers a rich diversity of topics, delivered by a diverse, multinational group of historians whose interests cross many periods, regions and specialisms, from Pictish Scotland and Renaissance Italy through to contemporary political history and non-European history. Please see pages 06-12 for our History programmes.

Classics

Classics at Edinburgh continues a tradition that goes back to the University's foundation in 1583. Our teaching covers all the major disciplinary areas in the field: Greek and Latin literature and thought; Greek and Roman history; and Classical art and archaeology. With around 20 permanent academic staff, we are one of the largest, most wide-ranging classics centres in the UK. See pages 14-17 for our Classics programmes.

Archaeology

Archaeology at Edinburgh has a tradition going back to the 19th century. Many aspects of that tradition are still visible in the School today: our archaeological collections were named to commemorate the great prehistorian and first holder of the Abercromby Chair Vere Gordon Childe; the annual series of Munro lectures in archaeology and anthropology were endowed in 1910 by Dr Robert Munro, a distinguished medical practitioner who, in his later life, became a keen archaeologist; and the Abercromby Chair of Prehistoric Archaeology commemorates Lord Abercromby, author of distinguished research on Bronze Age pottery. Edinburgh's great tradition in prehistory continues to this day, with expertise in Britain, the Mediterranean and the Near East, but we also have strengths in Classical and Byzantine archaeology, in archaeological theory, environmental archaeology, osteoarchaeology and forensic anthropology. Please see pages 18-21 for our Archaeology programmes.

* Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2014/15



Facilities and resources

Our building offers students exceptional, modern facilities, resources and study spaces, in a stunning location.

Graduate students in the School of History, Classics & Archaeology enjoy access to:

- a large and attractive study and computing lab, equipped with printing, copying and scanning facilities, plus two further study rooms that provide shared desk space;
- student research rooms, housing some of the School's impressive book collections and additional IT facilities;
- teaching rooms fitted out with the latest technology;
- exhibition areas, filled with artefacts, artwork, statues, busts and casts from the School's many collections;
- a stunning common room, used by staff as well as graduate students.

All of our facilities are in addition to the multiple libraries and computer labs provided across the University's estate. Many of our rooms overlook the Meadows – one of the city's best-loved green spaces.

Our location, right in the heart of Edinburgh, means you will be based close to the city's cultural attractions and facilities, including a wealth of libraries, archives, museums and galleries, which provide uniquely rich support for the disciplines we teach.

The city of Edinburgh offers our students:

- the National Library of Scotland, one of six legal deposit libraries with a legislative right to acquire a copy of any book published in the UK. The library also has a world-class collection of rare books and manuscripts;
- the National Archives of Scotland, the main repository for the records of Scotland's institutional past. Its extensive collection, based on legal, political and ecclesiastic records, is supplemented by gifts and deposits relating to Scottish landed estates, the correspondence of leading political figures and the records of Scottish businesses;
- the National Museum of Scotland, which, following an extensive renovation, reopened in 2011, and has since been ranked one of the UK's top 10 visitor attractions;*

- the National Galleries of Scotland, home to one of the best collections of Scottish and international art, across three Edinburgh galleries; and
- the medical museum at the Royal College of Surgeons and the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, which has an outstanding medical archive and historical library.

All of these resources are within a short walking distance of the University.

Archaeology tools

Archaeology students benefit from our laboratories for artefact analysis, environmental archaeology, osteoarchaeology, bone chemistry and computing (with a wide range of software applications). There is an extensive reference collection of archaeological materials, such as pottery, metal, stone and glass artefacts, in the V Gordon Childe teaching collection. Students can also benefit from the facilities, archives, collections and expertise of a range of heritage agencies and commercial archaeology units based in the city of Edinburgh.

Collections of the University

The University's collections are unique in their depth and diversity. Managed by the Centre for Research Collections, and housed in our Main Library, they span more than 500,000 rare books, scientific and cultural artefacts from around the world, historically significant musical instrument collections, specialist museum collections, and manuscripts.

Highlights include the world's oldest surviving Gaelic text; a page from the final draft of Charles Darwin's *On the Origin of Species*, as well as two copies of the first edition; Adam Smith's original library; Alexander Fleming's sample of mould used to make penicillin; original quartos of Shakespeare plays, with notes in the margins by 16th-century actors; the thermometer of chemist Joseph Black; and original Sir Isaac Newton diagrams in David Gregory manuscripts of 1692.

University archivists – with a broad spectrum of expertise – make it their priority to ensure these items are accessible to our students, researchers and staff.

* Association of Leading Visitor Attractions

Community

As home to more than 100 members of academic staff, some 60 honorary professors, 390 postgraduate students and 1,150 undergraduates, we can offer an extensive knowledge base and support system to help you develop your postgraduate studies to the best of your ability.

Our international postgraduate community represents 29 nationalities, making the School the ideal environment in which to share ideas, collaborate on research, gain new perspectives and meet like-minded individuals. We actively encourage our students to become fully involved in academic life, offering numerous opportunities to attend events or join specialist interest groups.

Our active programme of workshops, seminars, conferences and symposia is supplemented with many informal gatherings and events, and our student societies – ArchSoc, the Classics Society and the History Society – provide countless opportunities to get to know your fellow students in a non-academic environment.

Learn from distinguished academics

Among our staff are many fellows of prestigious societies, including the British Academy and the Royal Society of Edinburgh. Our academics are also very active in other professional and funding organisations, such as the Arts and Humanities Research Council, the Classical Association, the Royal Historical Society and the Historical Association. They also have strong public roles in promoting their discipline, including government committee positions and media consultancy.

Join a thriving community

Our postgraduate students are all encouraged to participate in the School's rich research community. We host a lively programme of activities and events. You will have the opportunity to attend seminar series in Scottish history, archaeology, classics, economic and social history. We also run medieval and renaissance studies, diaspora studies and American history graduate workshops. You can also join the Early American History reading group, the ArchSoc seminar series, the Gender History Network, and the First Millennium Studies Group.



Employability and graduate attributes

Transferable skills are highly valued by employers and our courses and programmes are designed with this in mind.

Fieldwork and independent research are an essential component on many of our programmes. Almost all our students take compulsory courses designed for skills acquisition, while option courses also have specific objectives in terms of skills training.

Our programmes give you the opportunity to gain skills, such as written and oral presentation, data collection and analysis and critical evaluation of research, which will enhance your career prospects in your chosen area.

You will learn how to:

- construct arguments lucidly, coherently and concisely;
- understand complex issues;
- draw valid conclusions from the past;
- assimilate, process and communicate a wide range of information from a variety of sources;
- conceive and pursue a coherent argument founded on evidence;
- undertake a sustained independent research project to a deadline; and
- write clear, accurate and concise prose.

A degree from the School of History, Classics & Archaeology could lead you in a number of career directions depending on your individual interests and experience. Some of our graduates have gone on to pursue work in related areas such as museums, libraries and historic trusts, whilst others build on the transferable skills gained and pursue areas as diverse as marketing, business and media, public administration and teaching. The 2012/13 Destination of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) survey reported that 86.3 per cent of our postgraduate research students and 84.9 per cent of our taught postgraduate students were in employment or further study within six months of graduation.

Institute for Academic Development

All of our postgraduate students can benefit from the University's Institute for Academic Development (IAD), which provides information, events and courses to develop the skills you will need throughout your studies and in the future.

Further information is available online: www.ed.ac.uk/iad/postgraduates

For taught postgraduates, the IAD provides a growing range of tailored study-related and transferable skills workshops, plus online advice and learning resources. These are all designed to help you settle into postgraduate life, succeed during your studies, and move confidently to the next stage of your career.

The IAD also offers one of the longest-established researcher development training packages in the UK. Our experts will help you gain the skills, knowledge and confidence needed to move on to the next stage in your career, be that in academia or beyond.

The Institute provides research students with dedicated training in topics such as research management; personal effectiveness; communication skills; public engagement, networking and teamworking; leadership; and career management. You can gain expertise in information technology and presentation skills; confidence in undertaking independent and creative research; the ability to critically evaluate source materials; and the capacity to construct intellectually rigorous arguments. By developing these broader professional skills and qualities, our postgraduate students are always in high demand.

Careers Service

The University's award-winning Careers Service aims to expand the horizons of all our students, empowering you to make successful career decisions. It works closely with the University's Employability Consultancy to support students to take advantage of every opportunity to enhance your employability while studying.

The Service provides specialist support for postgraduate students to help with career planning and decision making. Its team of friendly experts can support you to explore different career options, identify your skills and what you want out of a career, think about effective job search strategies, and prepare for job applications and interviews.

The Service has a team dedicated to developing our already strong links with employers from all industries and employment sectors; from the world's top recruiters to small enterprises based here in Edinburgh. The team provides a programme of opportunities for students to meet employers on campus and virtually, and advertises a wide range of part-time and graduate jobs.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/careers/postgrad

Connect.ed

Edinburgh encourages its alumni to stay in touch with current students who are interested in a similar career path. Connect.ed is a networking system run by the Careers Service that provides a confidential opportunity for alumni to share their occupational knowledge and experience with current students, who can contact them for advice and guidance on their future career.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/careers/connected

Backing bright ideas

LAUNCH.ed is the University's award-winning programme for student entrepreneurs. Each year, LAUNCH.ed works with hundreds of students to assess their ideas and develop their business skills and helps many start their businesses. We have helped Edinburgh students and alumni launch almost 100 new businesses in the last three years, ranging from language tuition to robotics companies.

More information: www.LAUNCH.ed.ac.uk

Masters programmes

History programmes

If you are interested in studying a broad range of subjects the MSc in History offers courses from the many periods and regions we teach. The online MSc in History is a good option for those unable to relocate or those who want flexibility in their study. See pages 08 and 10 respectively.

The topics covered by our programmes range in period from the late antique and medieval to the contemporary and relate to many regions of the world, including Africa, Asia, Central and Northern America, the British Isles and Ireland. The research strengths of the subject area are reflected in a concentration of courses which address questions of diaspora and migration history; gender history; intellectual history; social and cultural history; economic history; and global history.

Some students, particularly experienced historians, will be interested in our Masters by Research degrees in History, Scottish History, or Economic & Social History, which allow for investigation, under supervision, of a specialised topic. See pages 10 and 07 respectively. The Masters by Research degrees in History and Scottish History are examined by a long dissertation of 30,000 words. The Masters by Research degree in Economic and Social History is examined by a number of shorter supervised pieces and a 15,000-word dissertation.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/139

American History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This MSc provides an introduction to advanced study in American history both to students who plan to embark on doctoral work and to students who simply want to spend a year pursuing intellectual interests developed as undergraduates. The programme is distinctive in its breadth and diversity, both chronological and thematic. It draws on the wide range of American historical expertise available in the School. You'll enrich your skills in independent research and gain an in-depth understanding of the key topics and historiographical debates of this young nation's dynamic past, from the American Revolution to the Cold War.

The programme offers a challenging academic experience, particularly for those who wish to combine a small-scale research project with specialist methodological, theoretical, historical and historiographical training. You will attain a level of expertise and knowledge that will enable you to embark upon independent research at an advanced level in American history. You'll be part of a vibrant research culture, that encourages collaboration and includes regular lectures, seminars, and other events involving leading American historians. The impressive resources of the University's Main Library and the National Library of Scotland, home to one of the UK's largest collections of Americana, will be on hand.

Programme structure

You'll take two semesters of seminar-style courses in small groups, then apply your independent research skills developing your dissertation, with the supervision of academic staff. This is your chance to be creative; our breadth of expertise means we're open to almost any area of interest.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Historical Methodology; Historical Research: Skills and Sources; Themes in American Historiography.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Calvinist Theology and Piety in Britain and America, c1590-1660; Intellectual History of the American Revolution; Slavery in the British Atlantic World, 1650-1834; The Civil Rights Movement; The United States and the Cold War; Conservatism in the United States, c1930-c1990; The United States and the Vietnam War; The American Civil War and Reconstruction.*

Career opportunities

The programme equips you to go on to advanced study. Equally, a graduate degree from Edinburgh will be respected by employers in many fields. The combination of skills training courses, specialised seminars, and independent research provides you with a broad range of transferable skills that will be beneficial whatever path you choose.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

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You'll be able to choose from an unrivalled range of courses.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/776

Contemporary History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme allows you to explore the links between history and current affairs, and discover how the recent past has shaped today's world. It aims to provide excellent preparation for graduate research on most recent history in a global context. It is designed to serve as a springboard for more graduate work at the PhD level or as a stand alone programme that also benefits the individual graduate in a non-academic career.

The programme makes use of the city of Edinburgh's unique archival and bibliographical resources (The National Archives of Scotland, The National Library of Scotland, the University's library and archives), as well as of its role in current British politics.

Programme structure

The programme combines methodological and substantive courses with intensive participation by the students. The analysis of diverse primary source material is essential, as is situating any research findings within an established historiographical tradition. You will also complete a substantial dissertation under expert supervision.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Historical Methodology; Historical Research: Skills and Sources; Introduction to Contemporary History.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Anglo-Spanish Relations, 1936-1950; A Political Economy of Britain since 1945; Cinema and Society in Britain; Conservatism in the United States, c1930-c1990; Contemporary Scotland; Gender, Crime and Deviancy: Britain c1860-1960; History as Romance, Profession, Critique: Theory and Scholarship in the West, 1835-1985; Home Rule in Ireland and Britain, 1800-2000; Making War, Making Peace: European International History, 1914-1945; The British at War, 1939-1945; Themes in Modern British and Irish Historiography; Unionism in Ireland and Britain, c1800-2000; The Civil Rights Movement; Armed Struggle: The Northern Ireland Troubles and their Origins; The Politics of Historiography in Post-Colonial South Asia; The United States and the Cold War; The United States and the Vietnam War: Origins and Repercussions; Thinking the 20th Century; Hannah Arendt and the Breakdown of European Civilization; Revolutions in Twentieth Century Europe; Civil Wars in Twentieth Century Europe; China's Foreign and Security Policy; An Uncertain World: The West since the 1970s; Genocide in the Contemporary World; The Closest of Enemies: Cuban-US Relations, 1895-2014.*

Career opportunities

This programme provides a suitable foundation for advanced study, or a number of careers, for example politics or journalism.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/142

Economic & Social History

MSc by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Economic and social history addresses the historical processes underlying the evolution of modern society by employing a range of insights and approaches from the social sciences, including economics, sociology and social anthropology.

Edinburgh has a large and distinguished group of academics in this research area. Their specialist fields provide students with an outstanding range of options, both in terms of historical period and areas of the world. The programme focuses on civil society, material culture, youth, gender, crime, cinema, economic growth and energy policy in a variety of historical contexts.

Programme structure

You take four compulsory courses and complete a dissertation. Each course is assessed by essays, usually of around 2,500 words.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Historical Research: Skills and Sources; Historical Methodology and Historiography; Economic and Social Theory for Historical Analysis; Supervised Reading Course.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Culture and Society in Early Modern Britain; Material Culture of Gender in Eighteenth-Century Britain; Cinema and Society in Britain; Slavery in the Atlantic World; British at War: 1939-45; Cinema and Society in South Asia.*

Career opportunities

This programme is specifically designed for students who anticipate progressing to a doctoral programme, but it can also function as excellent preparation for a wide variety of careers.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required. Many applicants have history degrees, but others have backgrounds across the humanities and social sciences. You will also need to submit a strong and viable research proposal.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

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History programmes (continued)

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/777

Eighteenth Century Cultures

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

With its place at the heart of the Scottish Enlightenment, Edinburgh is the ideal location from which to study the cultural life of the 18th century, particularly the Scottish dimension of the pan-European Enlightenment. This programme offers a valuable combination of academic and field experience, giving you the chance to expand your knowledge of the era, develop your research skills and also apply to work in a placement at one of the city's many prestigious archives, museums and galleries.

Guiding you in your interdisciplinary studies will be international experts in visual, material, literary, and social history including scholars based in History, History of Art, Divinity, and Law. We also collaborate with archivists and curators from National Museums Scotland, the National Galleries of Scotland, and other cultural repositories, providing you with the broadest possible perspective on British, European, and transatlantic approaches to this period.

Programme structure

You will complete a number of courses, including a compulsory course on *Historiography & Archival Methods* that combines skills training and seminar-based instruction. You will also have the opportunity to apply for an internship at one of the city's archives, museums and galleries.

OPTION COURSES

Athens of the North: the Origins and Ideas of the Scottish Enlightenment (Online Distance Learning); *A Crucible for Change: Enlightenment in Britain, 1688-1801*; *The Culture of Sensibility in the Age of Richardson's Clarissa*; *Intellectual History of the American Revolution*; *From Jacobitism to Romanticism: The (Re)Invention of Scotland in Visual and Material Culture*; Internship* in a museum or public institution (subject to application process and interview); *Law and the Enlightenment*; *Material Culture of Gender in 18th Century Britain*; *Religion and the Enlightenment: The Birth of the Modern*; *The Science of Man in the Scottish Enlightenment*.

*Tier 4 students should be aware that internship hours may be counted as part of any work hour allowance (paid or unpaid) within your visa requirements. If this applies to you, you should seek further advice, from the International Office Student Advisory Service.

Career opportunities

Upon successful completion of the programme, you will have gained the academic skills needed to pursue advanced study and if successful in your application for an internship in one of Edinburgh's cultural repositories you will have acquired some practical skills relevant to a career in the heritage industries beyond academia.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant arts, humanities or social sciences field.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

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History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This comprehensive programme places you among one of the largest groups of historians in any British university, providing a stimulating environment in which to further your interest in practically any era of history. Our breadth of expertise allows you to pursue studies in everything from Medieval Scotland or revolutionary America to the Cold War or Renaissance Italy, from modern China and Japan to India or postcolonial Africa, all in the inspirational setting of Scotland's historic capital.

We'll help you to develop a specialised knowledge and understanding of history and its central issues, examine historical sources, evaluate existing research, and work towards a specialised research project of your own. You'll also take part in a rich programme of events featuring our renowned academic staff and distinguished visitors from all over the world.

Programme structure

This programme is taught through a combination of small-group seminars and tutorials, one-to-one supervision and private study. You will be examined through coursework and a 15,000-word dissertation.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Historical Methodology; *Historical Research: Skills and Sources*.

OPTION COURSES

You will choose four specialist courses from a range of options, such as: *Approaches to Gender History*; *Armed Struggle*; *The British at War, 1939-1945*; *Cinema and Society in South Asia*; *Intellectual History of the American Revolution*; *Medieval Men and Masculinity*; *The Fall of Rome*; *The Lordship of the Isles: A Political History*; *The Global Renaissance*; *Medicine and Society in Modern Britain*; *Gender, Crime and Deviancy: Britain c1860-1960*; *The Science of Man in the Scottish Enlightenment*; *Scotland and Ireland, 1800-1922*; *The United States and the Cold War*.

Career opportunities

Many students see the programme as an advanced qualification valued by a range of employers. Others are interested in pursuing long-term academic careers and therefore consider the MSc as preparation for a PhD. The combination of skills training courses, specialised seminars, and independent research provides you with transferable skills that will be beneficial whatever path you choose. The programme provides excellent academic experience for those who require the training and confidence to pursue further postgraduate study or as a foundation for careers in archival or museum work, the cultural heritage industry or education.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

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History programmes (continued)

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/816

History



MSc 1 yr FT (2-6 yrs PT), PgDip 1 yr FT (2-3 yrs PT. Exit only), PgCert 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT. Exit only)

Programme description

This innovative online programme allows you to take advantage of Edinburgh's remarkable range of historical expertise from the comfort of your own home. Thanks to our state-of-the-art e-learning software and extensive digital resources, you can gain a world-class postgraduate qualification without the expense of relocating. Our flexible structure allows you to fit your studies around work or family commitments and to develop your own specialised interests under the expert guidance of distinguished academics.

The thematic breadth of this programme means you can choose from a diverse range of topics from American politics to modern Japanese history, from interwar Europe to medieval Scottish history, and you will be able to further your own specialised interests through the dissertation.

Programme structure

The PgCert requires completion of a skills training course and two specialist options. The PgDip requires completion of two skills training courses and four specialist options. The MSc requires completion of the diploma and then a supervised dissertation based on independent research. You may begin your studies in September or January.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Approaches to History; Historical Skills and Sources.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *The Lords of the Isles: Clan Donald, c1336-c1545; From Consensus to Thatcherism: Government and Politics in Post-War Britain; Seeking 'Japan' in a Westernising World: Revolution, Romance and Imperialism 1868-1945: Scotland and Ireland, 1800-1945; The Crusades and the Euro-Mediterranean world; Athens of the North – The Origins and Ideas of the Scottish Enlightenment; Willingly to War? The origins of the First World War; British Empires, 1601-1948; Ideology and Politics in the Soviet and Post-Soviet Space; The Rise of Modern American Conservatism; Myth and the History of Scholarship in Early Modern Europe; The Shadow of Versailles: Interwar Europe, 1918-1939.*

Career opportunities

History opens up opportunities in a broad range of careers and the PgCert, PgDip or MSc could lead you in a number of career directions depending on your interests and experience. Some graduates pursue work in related areas such as museums, galleries, libraries and historic trusts, whilst others build on the transferable skills gained and enter areas as diverse as business and media, public administration and marketing.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required. Applications from mature and non-traditional students with relevant experience, or professional or other qualifications will be considered.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

The programme funds a non-recurring annual scholarship of £1500.

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History/Scottish History

MSc by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU)

Programme description

These two MSc by Research programmes are aimed at students who have a specific topic of interest into which they wish to conduct their own research. When applying, as for other research programmes such as a PhD, you must submit a research proposal explaining your plans and demonstrating your knowledge of your chosen field: this will be closely scrutinised as part of our admissions process. Two supervisors will be appointed to work with you on the project: it is a good idea to consult with prospective supervisors before applying. In History and Scottish History, we can offer supervision across an exceptionally wide chronological and geographical range.

Programme structure

A long dissertation of 30,000 words.

Career opportunities

The concentration on research under supervision makes this degree suitable for those contemplating doctoral study, whether in our own School or elsewhere, and many who take this degree follow that route. However, undertaking substantial and independent research and a writing project is equally excellent preparation for a wide variety of careers.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required. Only candidates with a first degree in a clearly relevant field, who submit a strong and viable research proposal, will be considered.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Digital archive

Folklorist Alexander Carmichael (1860-1912) left 400 objects (including Bonnie Prince Charlie's footstool!) and 1,400 manuscripts to the University, now digitised for online searching.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/374

Intellectual History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Ideas and patterns of thought always have been, and continue to be, subject to historical change. The ways in which they change, and the reasons why they do so, make for fascinating study.

In this comprehensive programme, you'll be introduced to the principal methodologies of intellectual history and become familiar with some key theoretical areas, such as Begriffsgeschichte and the Cambridge School. You will also have the opportunity to explore particular themes in intellectual history, such as Epicureanism, mind-body dualism in early modern thought, the Scottish Enlightenment and the intellectual history of the American revolution, developing a detailed understanding of their origins, historical circumstances and implications. By the end of the programme you'll have the tools you need to appreciate the interdependence of text and context and the importance of ideas in past and present, as well as the ability to research effectively and present your work with confidence.

Programme structure

You will be assessed through coursework and a 15,000-word dissertation.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Historical Methodology; Historical Research: Skills and Sources.

OPTION COURSES

You will select four option courses (or two courses and supervised reading) from choices that may include: *Epicurus and Epicureanism; Intellectual History of the American Revolution; Man and the Natural World in the Enlightenment; Religion and the Enlightenment: the Birth of the Modern; The Enlightenment: Questions of Geography; The Science of Man in the Scottish Enlightenment; Mind and Body in Early Modern Philosophy; Thinking the 20th Century; A Crucible for Change: Enlightenment in Britain 1688-1801.*

Career opportunities

Many students are attracted to the MSc Intellectual History as an advanced qualification that will be valued by a range of employers. Others are interested in pursuing long-term academic careers and see the MSc as preparation for a PhD, while some are considering an academic career as a possibility, and use the MSc to establish whether it is the right career choice. The combination of skills training courses, specialised seminars, and independent research provides you with transferable skills that will be beneficial whatever path you choose.

Possible fields for employment after graduation include academia, policy think-tanks, national and international civil services, non-governmental organisations and museum/curatorial organisations.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Medieval History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

In this programme, you'll take an in-depth look at the fascinating history of Europe in the period between AD 400 and 1500 and form your own specialist interest, providing a foundation for doctoral study should you choose that route. With more than 70 members of academic staff attached to our cross-disciplinary Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies (CMRS), Edinburgh is a wonderful environment for medieval scholarship.

Through small, seminar-based classes, you'll develop knowledge of the principal categories of surviving evidence and the technical skills needed to read them, namely palaeography, and linguistic knowledge (generally Latin), and learn the value of an interdisciplinary approach to medieval research. World-class resources will be on hand to aid your studies, most notably the impressive collections of the National Library of Scotland and the University's Main Library, one of the largest of its kind in Europe.

Programme structure

The programme is divided into three parts: a core course, at least two skills courses (most often Latin, but other language options or skills courses may be taken), and up to three option courses. You will then complete an independent research dissertation. You will be assigned dissertation supervisors at the outset of the programme.

COMPULSORY COURSE

The Sources of Medieval History.

OPTION COURSES

Choose four option courses (or two courses and supervised reading) from a selection that may include: *Contacts and Conflicts; Historical Research: Skills and Methods; Elementary Gaelic 1 and 2; Elementary Latin 1 and 2; Intermediate Latin 1 and 2; Medicine, Science and Society in Late Medieval and Renaissance Italy; Normandy and the Normans; Old English; Saints Cults, Pilgrimage and Piety in Scotland; The English Bible; The Life and Works of Adomnan of Iona; The Lordship of the Isles: a Political History; War and Society in Early Christian Scotland.*

Career opportunities

Successful completion of the programme equips you for advanced study. Equally, a graduate degree from Edinburgh will be respected by employers in many fields. The combination of skills training courses, specialised seminars and independent research provides you with a broad range of transferable skills that will be beneficial whatever path you choose.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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History programmes (continued)

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Scottish History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

The examination of Scotland's past has been at the centre of history teaching at the University of Edinburgh since the prestigious Sir William Fraser Chair of Scottish History and Palaeography was established in 1901. This programme continues that tradition, drawing on the impressive expertise of our academics, who form the largest group of historians specialising in Scottish interest found at a UK university.

Thanks to our unique academic strength, you'll be able to choose from an unrivalled range of courses that explore Scotland's past across a very broad chronological period – from the early medieval period to post-Union through to Scottish diaspora and contemporary developments – and place its history in a comparative and global context. Along the way, you'll have access to some of the most impressive archival collections in the UK, all located either within the University or nearby.

Programme structure

You take two compulsory courses that are common to all history students, and then choose four option courses from a wide range of subjects. You will also complete an independently researched dissertation.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Historical Methodology; Historical Research: Skills and Sources.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Contemporary Scotland; Ethnic and National Identities in Medieval Scotland; Governance in Scotland: 1424 to 1625; Kingship in Medieval Scotland; Saints Cults: Pilgrimage and Piety in Scotland; Scotland and Ireland: 1800 to 1922; War and Society in Dark-Age Scotland; A Crucible for Change – Enlightenment in Britain: 1688–1801.*

Career opportunities

You will have a variety of career options open to you on completion of your degree. You may wish to continue with graduate study to PhD level or work towards qualifications in related professional disciplines such as museum or archive work.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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See also...

You may also be interested in programmes offered by other Schools within the University, particularly Edinburgh College of Art or the Schools of Divinity; Literatures, Languages & Cultures; or Social & Political Science.

www.ed.ac.uk/studying/prospectus-request

Classics programmes

Our main masters degree is the MSc in Classics, which offers the full range of courses in the subject area; you can also take relevant courses in other areas, including not only history and archaeology, but also divinity and philosophy, for example.

The majority of students concentrate most of their courses in one area, such as Greek and Latin literature, ancient history, or art and archaeology, but it is also common to choose a blend of disciplines. Most students take a language, whether to develop existing knowledge or to learn a new skill: Greek and Latin can be taken at elementary or intermediate level and in our specialised text seminars.

Some students, who will tend to be experienced in their field of classics, will be interested in our Masters by Research in Classics, which allows for investigation, under supervision, of a specialised topic. See page 15. The Masters by Research degree is examined by a long dissertation of 30,000 words.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees

Ancient History

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme gives you the opportunity to study ancient history at an advanced level, developing your interest in the ancient world and receiving excellent preparation for further graduate research on various topics relating to Greek and Roman history. Edinburgh can, with justification, claim to be one of the leading centres in the UK for the study of ancient history, in the chronological, geographical and methodological scope of the research interests of its staff. Particular strengths lie in the legal, institutional, social and economic history of the Greek and Roman worlds, as well as in political theory and practice, Hellenistic history, the history of the ancient Near East, and Late Antique history. The flexible structure of the programme lets you study courses in any of these fields or focus on one specific topic or period. You will be part of our lively academic community, which hosts regular seminars, lectures and conferences.

Programme structure

This programme is modular, to allow both breadth of coverage and specialisation. The compulsory course provides you with the key methodological and practical skills required of researchers in Classical subjects, while our option courses offer flexibility, allowing you to develop or cement your language skills and explore a diverse range of in-depth historical topics. Most teaching takes place in small-group seminars. Independent research, comprising a 15,000-word dissertation, is a substantial component of the programme, challenging you to build on the material and approaches covered and develop your research skills.

COMPULSORY COURSE

Skills and Methods in Classics.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Elementary Greek PG1; Elementary Greek PG2; Elementary Latin PG1; Elementary Latin PG2; Intermediate Latin PG1; Intermediate Latin PG2; Intermediate Greek PG1; Intermediate Greek PG2; Achaemenid Historiography: From Cyrus to Alexander; Agricultural Slavery in the Graeco-Roman World; The Hellenistic City; Martyrdom and Voluntary Death in the Ancient World; Epicurus and Epicureanism; Women in the Classical World; Archaeology of the Roman Economy; Byzantium and its Neighbours in the Age of Constantine VII Porphyrogenetos; The Fall of Rome; Late Antique Visual Culture; A Period of Ancient History 1; A Period of Ancient History 2.*

Career opportunities

The MSc provides you with the knowledge and skills essential to pursue doctoral research in ancient history or a related field, and ultimately an academic career. The transferable skills you will acquire will be invaluable for careers in museum work, cultural heritage and conservation, secondary education, library or archive work.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Classical languages have been taught and studied at the University since its foundation in 1583.

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Classics

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme gives you the chance to develop your interest in classics across the entire discipline: Greek and Latin literature and thought, Greek and Roman history, and classical art and archaeology. You'll have the opportunity to study specific periods and regions of classical civilisation, analyse the literary significance of texts, and develop your language skills in Greek and Latin.

Drawing on the diverse interests of our academic staff, the programme content is highly flexible, allowing you to choose a specialised path or a more interdisciplinary approach. We'll also provide you with opportunities to hear from distinguished speakers in the weekly classics research seminar series and to share your research with your peers at the classics graduate seminar.

Programme structure

The modular structure of the programme allows you to concentrate on areas of particular interest while still providing breadth of coverage. Your required course in classics research methods and skills equips you with the independent skills you need to complete your dissertation. In addition, you will choose five courses from a list of options.

COMPULSORY COURSE

Skills and Methods in Classics.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Elementary Greek PG1; Elementary Greek PG2; Elementary Latin PG1; Elementary Latin PG2; Intermediate Latin PG1; Intermediate Latin PG2; Intermediate Greek PG1; Intermediate Greek PG2; Greek Text Seminar 1; Latin Text Seminar 1; Latin Text Seminar 2; Greek Text Seminar 2; Epicurus and Epicureanism; Achaemenid Historiography: From Cyrus to Alexander; Agricultural Slavery in the Graeco-Roman World; The Hellenistic City; Women in the Classical World; A Period of Ancient History 1; A Period of Ancient History 2; The Fall of Rome; Late Antique Visual Culture.*

Career opportunities

Designed to appeal to a broad range of students, this degree can form the stepping stone to many career options, such as further academic research, museum and art curation, literary translation or analysis, education or public heritage. You'll also have a toolkit of transferable skills in organisation, research and analysis that will be highly prized in any field of work.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Classics

MSc by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

MSc by Research programmes last 12 months full-time (24 months part-time) and are aimed at students who have a very specific topic of interest into which they wish to conduct their own research. When applying, as for other research programmes such as a PhD, you must submit a research proposal explaining your plans and demonstrating your knowledge of your chosen field: this will be closely scrutinised as part of our admissions process. Two supervisors will be appointed to work with you on the project: it is a good idea to consult with prospective supervisors in advance of an application.

We are happy to supervise across the full range of our research interests in Greek and Latin language, literature and thought; Greek and Roman history from classical Greece to late antiquity; and classical Greek and Roman art and archaeology. We are able to supervise in related areas such as Persian history and reception studies.

Programme structure

A long dissertation of 30,000 words is the sole form of assessment, but you will also attend compulsory training courses and may attend other relevant courses (especially languages).

Career opportunities

The programme's focus on research under supervision makes this degree suitable for those contemplating doctoral study, here or elsewhere, and many who take this degree follow that route. But undertaking a substantial and independent research and writing project is equally an excellent preparation for a wide variety of careers.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required. Only candidates with a first degree in a clearly relevant field, who submit a strong and viable research proposal, will be considered. Students will also need to have the relevant language skills for their topic.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Classics programmes (continued)

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Classical Art & Archaeology

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme studies the ancient Greek and Roman worlds from the Iron Age to the late Roman/early Christian period through their material remains. It draws upon the expertise of several members of the classics subject area who have research interests and experience of teaching and graduate supervision in this area, and complements others in classics, such as ancient history and Hellenistic studies.

By choosing this degree, you'll have access to the expertise of our academics who are all passionate about the classical period and its art, social history and archaeology. The programme focuses on the ancient Greek and Roman worlds: not just the cities of Athens and Rome but also the furthest reaches of the Roman Empire. Should your interests lie in a field that overlaps a related subject area, you'll appreciate our interdisciplinary approach, which allows you to draw on the experience of staff throughout the School.

Programme structure

We offer a modular range of courses, which has been designed to reflect the research interests of our lecturers and help you develop a particular topic of interest for your dissertation.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Skills and Methods in Classics.

OPTION COURSES

May include: *Early Greek Art; Classical Greek Sculpture; Greek Vase Painting; The Topography and Monuments of Athens and Attika; Hellenistic Art and Archaeology; The Hellenistic City; Archaeology of the Roman Economy; Roman Funerary Art; Roman Imperial Monuments; Roman Archaeology; Constantinople, the City of a World's Desire 300-600; Late Antique Visual Culture; Byzantine Archaeology: The Archaeology of the Byzantine Empire and its Neighbours AD 600-1000; Etruscan Italy, 1000-300 BC; Gallia from the Third Century BC to Augustus; Bronze Age Civilisations of the Near East and Greece.*

Career opportunities

After graduating, you will have the knowledge and skills in research methodologies that will put you in a good position to pursue doctoral research in classics or a related field, and ultimately an academic career. Museum work, cultural heritage and education also present a range of professional options that require a degree such as this. The learning, organisational and leadership skills you gain from your studies will give you a vital edge in impressing any potential employer.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Late Antique, Islamic & Byzantine Studies

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Teaching on this programme comes from subject areas brought together under the new Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies. It offers the opportunity for regional and disciplinary specialisation depending on your own research interests and aims to introduce and prepare you to train for doctoral research in this field of study.

This programme takes advantage of Edinburgh's remarkably rich scholarly expertise and offers an exceptional range of linguistic and disciplinary expertise in the study of the long late antiquity, embracing Arabic, archaeology, art history, classical languages and literature, history and theology. Courses range from the Latin west to the Islamic near east, from literature through to political, social, and religious history to art and archaeology. Linguistic training is a vital part of the programme, with courses available in four relevant languages.

Programme structure

The programme comprises a range of seminars, language classes and tutorials, which will include seminar discussion and debate, presentation to peers, directed and independent reading, as well as interactive language teaching.

COMPULSORY COURSES

The core course *Approaches to the Long Late Antiquity* will provide specialist methodological, theoretical, and cross-disciplinary training. There will also be a compulsory language option in Classical Greek, Latin, Arabic or Persian.

OPTION COURSES

Byzantine Archaeology: the Archaeology of the Byzantine Empire and its Neighbours AD 600-1000; Constantinople, the City of a World's Desire AD 300-600; Contacts and Conflicts Between East and West AD 600-900: the Pirenne Thesis re-examined; Greek Text Seminar; Latin Text Seminar Late Antique Visual Culture; Martyrdom and Voluntary Death in the Ancient World; Mosques, Palaces and Gardens in the Golden Age of Islam; Persian Painting; Roman Archaeology; The Fall of Rome; Rome Across Time and Space: Visual Culture and Cultural Exchange AD 300-1300; The Seven Ecumenical Councils AD 325-787; The Umayyad Empire: the Islamic World in its Late Antique Context.

Career opportunities

This MSc is designed to provide excellent preparation for doctoral study, whether at Edinburgh or elsewhere. Alternatively the transferable skills gained in this programme will stand you in good stead to enter a wide range of professional careers. Graduates of related programmes have gone on to careers including heritage and conservation, librarianship and secondary school teaching. Other students have pursued PhD study at a variety of universities.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Archaeology programmes

For our Archaeology, European Archaeology, and Mediterranean Archaeology programmes you will study a mixture of compulsory and option courses, which you can use to vary your focus according to interest.

These programmes are designed to take your interest in archaeology to the professional level and to give broad coverage of theory, methodology and practice. See pages 18, 19 and 21 respectively.

Our highly popular programmes centred on the study of human and animal remains, Forensic Anthropology and Human Osteoarchaeology, offer a set programme of courses. See page 20.

Some students, particularly those experienced in archaeology, will be interested in our Masters by Research in Archaeology, which allows for investigation, under supervision, of a specialised topic. See page 19. The Masters by Research degree is examined by a dissertation of 30,000 words.

Edinburgh has a long and distinguished tradition of teaching, research and fieldwork in archaeology, all of which are closely integrated.

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Archaeology

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Our Masters in Archaeology takes your interest in this fascinating field to the professional level. You'll develop an in-depth understanding of the subject, particularly its history and development, and its links with historical, social and natural sciences.

The flexibility of our course structure allows you to tailor your studies to take full advantage of the wide range of specialist fields and periods of study that our staff, as well as those in the History and Classics areas, can offer. You'll explore contemporary theoretical approaches and hone your skills in current methodologies and practice to prepare for a professional role in archaeology or further studies at doctoral level.

Programme structure

Our comprehensive programme encompasses theory, methodology and practice. You will undertake a varied schedule of learning, from lectures, seminars and practicals, to essays, research projects and individual tutorials. You'll conclude with original research for a dissertation in a subject of your own choosing.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Frontiers in Archaeology; Research Seminars; Research Sources and Strategies in Archaeology; Theoretical Archaeology; Dissertation.

OPTION COURSES

You'll complete three additional courses, chosen from a list of subjects ranging from late hunter-gatherers and early farmers, later European prehistory and the archaeology of Scotland to Byzantine and Roman archaeology, osteoarchaeology, and experimental archaeology.

Career opportunities

Archaeology graduates can follow a variety of career options. The programme equips you to go on to advanced study, and also provides a solid foundation for a career. You will gain practical as well as academic experience, teamworking and analytical skills, and will be able to work in a variety of contexts. Examples of career paths available to archaeology graduates (although some may require additional training) include: higher education, heritage management and agencies, commercial archaeology, environmental assessment, teaching, tourist/travel industry, broadcasting and the police. An archaeology degree does not, of course, restrict you to a career in archaeology. You may develop your own career pathway in unusual ways or branch into related fields, while maintaining a lifelong interest and involvement in archaeological work and research.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), either in archaeology or in another related subject (such as anthropology), or in a group of subjects in which archaeology figures prominently.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Archaeology

MSc by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

MSc by Research programmes last 12 months full time (24 months part time) and are aimed at students who have a very specific topic of interest into which they wish to conduct their own research. When applying, as for other research programmes such as a PhD, you must submit a research proposal explaining your plans and demonstrating your knowledge of your chosen field: this will be closely scrutinised as part of our admissions process. Two supervisors will be appointed to work with you on the project: it is a good idea to consult with prospective supervisors in advance of an application.

We are happy to supervise across the wide range of our research interests: we have particular strengths in prehistory of Europe, the Mediterranean and Near East, in classical and early medieval archaeology, as well as in archaeological theory, environmental archaeology, osteoarchaeology and forensic anthropology.

Programme structure

A long dissertation of 30,000 words is the sole form of assessment, but you will also attend compulsory training courses and may take other relevant courses.

Career opportunities

The programme's focus on research under supervision makes this degree suitable for those contemplating doctoral study, whether in our own School or elsewhere, and many who take this degree follow that route. But undertaking a substantial and independent research and writing project is equally an excellent preparation for a wide variety of careers.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant discipline is normally required. Only candidates with a first degree in a clearly relevant field, who submit a strong and viable research proposal, will be considered.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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European Archaeology

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Structured to provide you with the opportunity to study archaeology at an advanced level, this programme allows you to gain an in-depth understanding of the subject in a comparatively short time.

You'll learn about the subject's history and development, and explore its links with the historical, social and natural sciences. We'll introduce you to contemporary theoretical approaches and allow you to gain experience in current methodologies and practice. Importantly, your future in the field of archaeology will also be considered, by giving you the opportunity to draw on the diversity of our academic staff's expertise in order to explore specific regions or themes that may be of interest to you at a doctoral level.

Programme structure

Your studies will combine lectures, seminars, practicals, essays, research projects and one-to-one meetings covering all areas of archaeology. You will complete six courses and conduct original research for a dissertation on a subject of your choice.

COMPULSORY COURSE

Research Sources and Strategies in Archaeology.

OPTION COURSES

You may choose option courses from a list in the general fields of human evolution, late hunter-gatherers and early farmers, later European and Mediterranean prehistory, the archaeology of Scotland, Byzantine and Roman archaeology, and osteoarchaeology.

Career opportunities

Archaeology graduates can follow a variety of career options. The programme equips you to go on to advanced study, and also provides a solid foundation for a career. You will gain practical as well as academic experience, teamworking and analytical skills, and will be able to work in a variety of contexts. Examples of career paths available to archaeology graduates (although some may require additional training) include: higher education, heritage management and agencies, commercial archaeology, environmental assessment, teaching, tourist/travel industry, broadcasting and the police. An archaeology degree does not, of course, restrict you to a career in archaeology. You may develop your own career pathway in unusual ways or branch into related fields, while maintaining a lifelong interest and involvement in archaeological work and research.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), is normally required, either in archaeology or in another related subject (such as anthropology), or in a group of subjects in which archaeology figures prominently.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Archaeology programmes (continued)

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Forensic Anthropology

MSc 1 yr FT

Programme description

Intensive and challenging, this programme prepares you for a career in the rapidly growing area of forensic human bone analysis, identification, and interpretation.

Whether recovered from crime scenes, war graves, or mass disasters, the bones and teeth of a deceased person can provide such information as age at death, sex, stature and indications of general health and lifestyle, all of which can assist in the personal identification of that individual, and provide an insight into the circumstances surrounding death. Through a multidisciplinary combination of academic theory and practical application, you'll learn to approach osteological problems creatively and develop the ability to develop and test research, critically investigate data sources and relate scientific analyses to forensic problems. Crucially, you will also study the legal, scientific and evidential framework of forensic anthropology, which will aid you in the proper interpretation of recovered osteological remains.

Programme structure

The programme consists of seven compulsory courses and combines lectures, seminars and hands-on practical work with archaeological skeletal assemblages and reference collections. In addition to essays, reports and practical assessments, you will complete a dissertation on a topic of your choice.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Analytical Methods in Human Osteology; Forensic Taphonomy; Legal and Evidential Framework in Forensic Anthropology; Human Musculoskeletal Anatomy; Practical Osteology; Scientific Evidence in Forensic Anthropology; Skeletal Pathology.

Career opportunities

Many students who choose this programme do so to gain the necessary osteological knowledge for relevant PhD study. Others are seeking employment in mainstream forensics. Other possible career options include working as a freelance forensic anthropologist, or employment with a private forensic company, a national institution, or the United Nations.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 undergraduate honours degree (65 per cent or above), GPA 3.4, or other international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant subject, such as anatomy, medicine or forensic science, or related fields. Applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis. No previous knowledge of human osteology is required.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

Owing to its popularity, there are restrictions on the numbers we can admit to this programme, and a non-refundable deposit of £500 will be payable by all applicants when they accept an offer. This will be offset against tuition fees upon entry to the programme.

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Human Osteoarchaeology

MSc 1 yr FT

Programme description

With human bones representing a major portion of archaeological finds, it's not surprising that we rely on their analysis to further our understanding of ancient societies. This programme gives you the skills to work with these archaeological treasures to discover evidence of population structure, biological affinities, cultural behaviour, and patterns of disease in prehistoric and historic civilisations.

You'll be part of a steadily growing community, as interest in osteoarchaeology expands globally and the discipline takes its place as a vital means of understanding our past. Combining theoretical learning with hands-on practice, the course provides a grounding in osteoarchaeological method and theory, which will be essential to your handling of specimens recovered from archaeological sites.

Programme structure

Throughout the programme you'll take part in lectures, seminars and practical work with archaeological skeletal assemblages and reference collections. You'll complete six courses and, in addition to essays, reports, and practical assessments, you'll submit a dissertation on a research topic of your choosing.

COMPULSORY COURSES

Analytical Methods in Human Osteology; Bioarchaeological Interpretation; Human Musculoskeletal Anatomy; Practical Osteology; Research Sources and Strategies in Archaeology; Skeletal Pathology.

Career opportunities

The programme provides a foundation for further study or your career. Following successful completion of the programme, a large proportion of students continue their studies to PhD level and beyond, and the programme provides the necessary osteological knowledge for PhD study involving human remains. You may wish to work in mainstream archaeology, or develop a career in museums or archaeological units.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 undergraduate honours degree (65 per cent or above), GPA 3.4, or other international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a relevant subject, such as archaeology, anthropology, anatomy, medical sciences, or related fields. Applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis. No previous knowledge of human osteology is required.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

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Mediterranean Archaeology

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

The area surrounding the Mediterranean presents innumerable opportunities for archaeological research. This programme allows you to explore the rich history of this region at an advanced level through examination of a wide range of periods, geographical areas and themes.

Through a series of tailored and flexible courses you'll develop an understanding of specific regions and periods, current theories, methodologies and major research issues, all of which will provide the basis of PhD study, or a solid foundation for future participation in excavation, survey and/or lab work.

Programme structure

You will complete six courses over the course of the programme, which culminates in the production of your independently researched dissertation.

COMPULSORY COURSE

Research Sources and Strategies in Archaeology.

OPTION COURSES

Choose five option courses from a list that may include: *Archaeological Illustration; Archaeology of Gender; Bronze Age Civilisations of the Near East and Greece; Byzantine Archaeology: The Archaeology of the Byzantine Empire and its Neighbours AD 500-850; Constantinople and the Cities of Asia Minor; Early Farmers of Cyprus and the Near East; Etruscan Italy, 1000-300 BC; From Foraging to Farming: the Beginnings of Agriculture in the Mediterranean and Europe; Gallia from the Third Century BC to Augustus; Greek Vase Painting; Hellenistic Art and Archaeology; Human Evolution; The Hittites: the Archaeology of an Ancient Near Eastern Civilisation; Island Worlds: Prehistoric Societies in the Mediterranean Sea; Late Antique Visual Culture; Roman Archaeology; Roman Funerary Art; Roman Imperial Monuments; The Hellenistic City.*

You may also be given permission to choose an added course from any of the non-archaeology taught masters programmes that relate to your study.

Career opportunities

The programme equips you to go on to advanced study, and also provides a solid foundation for a career. You will acquire practical as well as academic experience in your training and will be able to work in a variety of contexts. Examples of career options for archaeology graduates (although some may require additional training) include working within universities, heritage management and agencies, commercial archaeology, environmental assessment work, teaching, the tourist/travel industry, broadcasting, and the police force.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), either in archaeology or in another related subject (such as anthropology), or in a group of subjects in which archaeology figures prominently.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

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Research at the School of History, Classics & Archaeology

We enjoy an active research culture across the three areas of history, classics and archaeology. As one of the world's largest academic centres in this field, we provide research expertise in an extremely broad range of areas within each of the three disciplines.

Our research quality was validated by the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, which ranked us third in the UK for history and fifth in the UK for classics research. Overall, 67 per cent of our research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent, with a high of 83 per cent for our history research.

We host around 80 core researchers and many members of the School have strong public roles, recognised through a wide range of external funding, prizes and awards.

Centres of excellence

The School hosts the following research centres:

The Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict

The Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict aims to promote the study of conflict from the French Revolution to the present in a broad, transnational and interdisciplinary perspective. The Centre hosts a lively programme of conferences, colloquia and other research-related activities, including the supervision of graduate research and bids for research funding.

Scottish Centre for Diaspora Studies

Scotland is among the great migrant nations of modern times. For centuries Scots have left their native shores, first for England and mainland Europe, then the north of Ireland, the Americas, Asia, Africa and Australasia. The Scots' international mobility has been truly global and the impact on the history of several overseas countries considerable. Our Scottish Centre for Diaspora Studies, established in 2008, is the first research unit in the field to advance historical enquiry into this vital subject.

Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies

Edinburgh is home to one of the largest communities of medieval and Renaissance specialists, with more than 70 members of staff actively pursuing research in this field. Research areas span a vast range of fields including history, history of art and architecture, languages and literatures, music, divinity, archaeology, law, Celtic, Scottish and Islamic studies, as well as European, American and Asian studies.

Research options

We offer the following research degrees:

PhD

The PhD is our principal research degree. It is awarded for a substantial single body of work, which must add to the existing body of knowledge of your field of study. The PhD usually takes around 36 months full time (72 months part time) to complete and requires the submission of a thesis not exceeding 100,000 words.

PhD candidates take a compulsory oral examination of the thesis, which is an integral part in determining whether the requirements for awarding the degree have been met.

See also...

You may also be interested in research areas offered by Edinburgh College of Art or the Schools of Divinity; Law; Literatures, Languages & Cultures; or Social & Political Science.

www.ed.ac.uk/studying/prospectus-request

Backing our research

In the 2014-15 academic year, our researchers attracted research grants in excess of £1.9 million.

Research opportunities

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/53

Archaeology

PhD 3 yrs FT (6 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Research environment

We have a long and distinguished tradition of teaching, research and fieldwork in archaeology at Edinburgh, all of which are closely integrated. We have active research contacts with the National Museums of Scotland, the Scottish Universities Environmental Research Centre and the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments.

Staff have internationally recognised expertise in the prehistory of Europe, the Mediterranean and Near East, as well as in archaeological theory, environmental archaeology, osteoarchaeology and forensic anthropology.

Focal areas of research include: bioarchaeological interpretation; human-environment interactions; the transition from hunter-gatherer to farming communities; and the development of complex societies. Our research profile in classical and historical archaeology has also expanded in recent years.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

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“The University of Edinburgh was a clear choice for me as it had a well-established archaeology department with access to good facilities, such as the labs [and] staff members that had research areas which complemented my own and were approachable and willing to be my supervisors.

“Staff members in other subject areas were also more than willing to assist me, for example in Classics, when there was a crossover in my research. Being in Edinburgh also provided access to other facilities such as the National Museum of Scotland and the National Library, which have been invaluable to my study.”

Lisa Brown, PhD student, Archaeology



THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH

Case study: Edinburgh's research with impact

Uncovering the secrets of ancient artefacts

Ever since it was brought to Scotland in 1857, the Rhind mummy has been one of the National Museum of Scotland's most popular exhibits. Thanks to the pioneering research techniques of archaeologist Dr Elena Kranioti from the University's School of History, Classics and Archaeology, it's now an exhibit with an identity, and one that will have an impact on the way we uncover the secrets of ancient artefacts in non-invasive ways.

Project background

Working in collaboration with National Museums Scotland on their Fascinating Mummies exhibition in 2012, Dr Kranioti took CT scans (conducted by a team led by Professor Edwin van Beek from the University's Clinical Imaging Research Centre) as the basis of her biomedical imaging of the skeletal remains within the unwrapped mummy. Using 3D visual tools, she was able to examine the mummy without disturbing it, and establish that the subject was an Egyptian female aged 25 to 29, 5' 2" tall, dating to around 10 BCE.

Project results

This in-depth virtual view inside a 2,000 year old mummy involved groundbreaking science, and inspired the public to attend in overwhelming numbers, both the Museum's exhibition, and Dr Kranioti's subsequent lectures. Two videos were published about the project, and the story captured the media's imagination, with a number of national and international radio interviews, newspaper and online features.

The research also inspired Edinburgh-based company, Holoxica, to create a hologram of the mummy's skull, which is now part of an exhibition in one of the largest holography museums in the world in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The work led to Holoxica winning the Nexus Scotland Collaboration Award in 2011, and has enabled the company to move into the wider medical imaging arena, with works being commissioned by the Anatomy Museum and the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh.

This in-depth virtual view inside a 2,000 year old mummy involved groundbreaking science.

See more online: www.ed.ac.uk/research/impact



THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH

Case study: Edinburgh's research with impact

Listening to Britain's wartime voices

The popular image of Britain in 1940 – its ‘finest hour’, according to Winston Churchill – is one of stoicism, optimism and national pride, with the nation rallying together to defy the Germans as its fate hung in the balance. However, the School of History, Classics & Archaeology's Dr Paul Addison and Dr Jeremy Crang revealed a different reality in a 2010 publication.

Project background

Listening to Britain: Home Intelligence Reports on Britain's Finest Hour, May-September 1940 is a book that presents a view of Britain in 1940 taken from the morale reports of the day: a view that challenges popular perceptions of life during World War Two. As they delved into this mine of information, Drs Addison and Crang found that, while these previously unpublished reports illustrate the expected themes of national solidarity, they also reveal that British voices of the time could be quarrelsome and complaining, highly critical of government and military officialdom, suspicious of outsiders and susceptible to anxiety and defeatism.

Project results

The Edinburgh researchers' controversial book won critical and popular acclaim. As one newspaper, *The Tablet*, put it: "It...comes as something of a shock to read that Britain – a country one is accustomed to thinking of as a scourge of wartime fascists and their racism – was not immune to moments of bigotry itself, and in all social strata."

A Channel 5 documentary was inspired by the book, with Dr Crang providing expert commentary. *The Times* called it "deeply emotional" and *The Telegraph* reported it as "a deeply moving and important story". In 2011, *Listening to Britain* was a source of evidence for a report that became the centrepiece of the Green Party's 'New Home Front' initiative to learn from Britain's wartime mobilisation efforts to reduce waste and domestic consumption of scarce resources.

The Edinburgh researchers' controversial book won critical and popular acclaim.

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Classics

PhD 3 yrs FT (6 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Research environment

Our classics research group is one of the most significant clusters of scholars in the UK, working in all areas of the discipline: Greek and Latin language, literature and thought, Greek and Roman history from classical Greece to late antiquity, and Greek, Roman, and Byzantine literature and history.

Major research interests include: Homer and early Greek poetry; Greek philosophy; Greek drama; Hellenistic and Roman poetry; classical Greek and Hellenistic history; ancient Persia, the Roman republic; Cicero; Roman imperial history; Greek literature of the Roman empire; late Roman literature and history; Christianity in the Roman empire; ancient slavery; ancient law; epigraphy; the city of Rome; gender in antiquity; the reception of classical antiquity; Greek sculpture; mythology in art; Roman and Byzantine archaeology.

Our research culture centres on the weekly research seminar which welcomes distinguished speakers in all fields of classics, one of the most high-profile and best-attended events of its type in the UK. Every year we host major international conferences (including the biennial conference on a Greek topic endowed by the Leventis Foundation, which is organised by an eminent visiting professor), as well as a wide range of one-day events.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Economic & Social History

PhD 3 yrs FT (6 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Research environment

We host one of the largest economic and social history research groupings in the UK. Staff research interests are wide-ranging, including the study of economic development, energy policy, globalisation, slavery, demography, urban history, consumption, material culture, museums and collecting, leisure, religious belief, popular culture, medicine and disease, gender, sexuality and the family.

The diversity of our research means we can support students' economic and social history study in a vast range of time periods and geographical regions, and from the early modern period to the present day.

Particular areas of expertise available for research are: culture and society in early modern Britain; slavery in the Atlantic world: 1650-1834; the material culture of gender in 18th-century Britain; urban society and civil society in historical context; clothing cultures in comparative historical contexts; western European demography: 1850-1939; cinema and society in modern Britain; gender, crime and deviancy: Britain 1860-1960; energy policy in Britain since 1920; the economic history of China in the 20th century.

The University's economic and social historians host two research groups: Material and Visual Cultures of the Past; and Enlightenment and Popular Culture.

English language requirements

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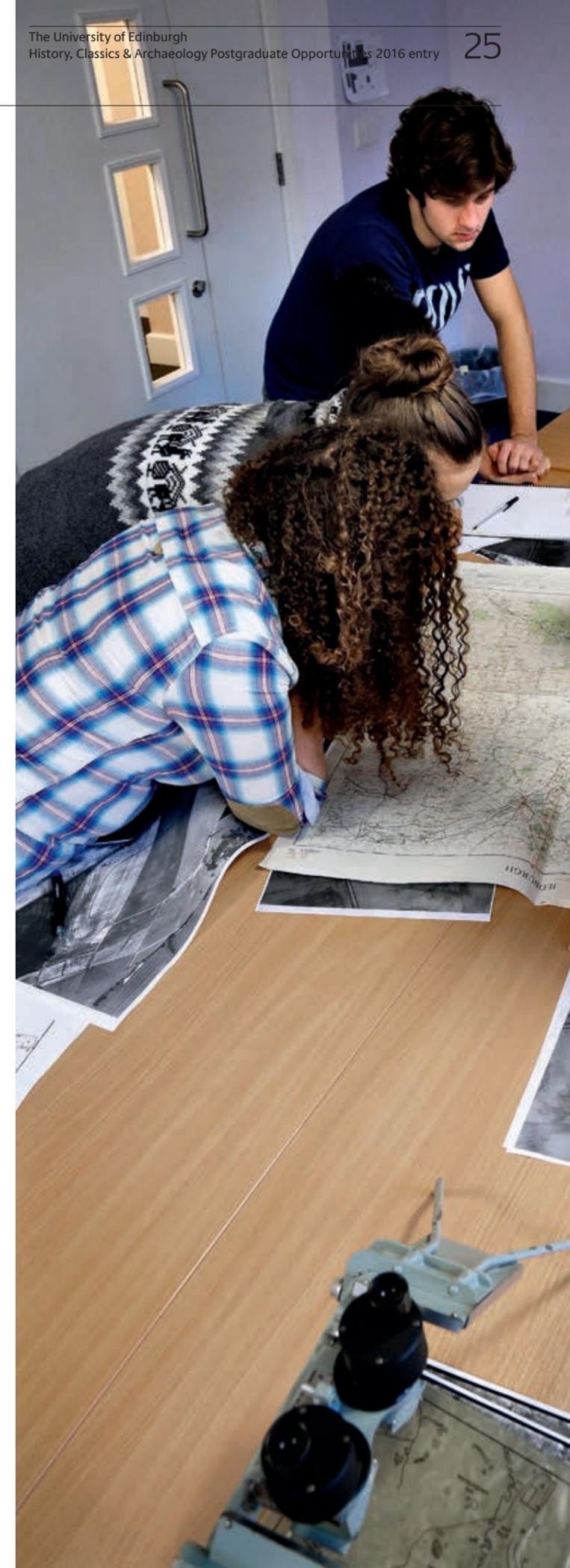
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History

PhD 3 yrs FT (6 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Research environment

Research interests within History are extremely wide-ranging and include medieval culture, religion, gender, and law; historical theory; early modern witchcraft and the occult; the Italian Renaissance; North America from the colonial era; intellectual history from Machiavelli to Marx; genocide; Nazi and post-war Germany; Russia and the Soviet Union; the Cold War; and political, social, and cultural aspects of the history of China, Japan, and India in the modern era.

In particular, we host expertise in:

- Pre-modern and early-modern history: our research interests lie in the social, political, religious and cultural history of Europe – from the fall of Rome to the Renaissance, with particular emphasis on England, France and Italy.
- Modern British and Irish history: we have particular interests in early modern religion, belief and intellectual history (including the Scottish Enlightenment); social and political history; relations between Britain and Ireland; Irish migration; and international relations and warfare.
- Modern European history: specialisms include 18th-century political and intellectual history; genocide; France; Germany; Russia and the Soviet Union; and Spain.
- American history: our expertise includes revolutionary and early national America; the Civil War; US diplomatic history in the 19th and 20th centuries; politics in the 20th century; African-American history and the civil rights movement.
- Asian and African history: we research African history; the history of the British Empire and Commonwealth; modern India, Pakistan, and China and Japan since the early modern period.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

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Scottish History

PhD 3 yrs FT (6 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Research environment

Here in the nation's capital, Scottish history is taught by a strong and distinguished team, comprising seven core academic staff members, plus a number of postdoctoral fellows and associated staff. The subject has been taught at the University of Edinburgh since the prestigious Sir William Fraser Chair of Scottish History and Palaeography was established in 1901. The post is currently held by Professor Ewen Cameron.

From the early middle ages to the founding of the new Scottish Parliament, we can offer expertise in all periods of study, from early medieval times to the present day. Other members of staff have published extensively on topics including early medieval battles, late medieval kingship, saints' cults, urban history, the Reformation, the witch hunt, government and finance, the Highlands in all periods, Scotland's external relations (especially with America) and its place in the Union.

Scottish History is home to the Scottish Centre for Diaspora Studies, the first such research unit in the field. The Centre was formally established in spring 2008 to advance historical enquiry into this vital subject.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

For funding information see also page 28.

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World first

The creation of the University's Scottish Centre for Diaspora Studies in 2008 was a world first.

What type of degree?

The University offers a variety of degree routes for study at postgraduate level. To help you decide which route or option is best for you, definitions of those degree types offered by the School of History, Classics & Archaeology are detailed below.

Masters degrees

Our taught masters programmes are designed to deepen knowledge in a subject you will typically have studied at undergraduate level, although they can also offer a new direction in your academic career.

MSc or MSc by Research

Taught masters programmes last 12 months, consisting of two semesters of taught courses followed by an individual supervised research project.

An MSc by Research, which also lasts one year, is based on a research project tailored to your interests. The project can be a precursor to a PhD, or it can be a standalone qualification.

Online distance learning

The University is the biggest provider of online distance learning in the Russell Group. Just like our on-campus provision, all our online masters are delivered by dedicated academics, many of whom are leaders in their field. You can study part time towards a Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma or MSc, and the timescales are flexible – you can complete the MSc in two years or take up to six years. Online distance learning is an extremely flexible option for students looking to balance further study with professional or family commitments. (See page 10).

Research degrees

PhD

As a PhD candidate you pursue a research project under continuous guidance, resulting in a thesis that makes an original contribution to knowledge. You will gain specialist background knowledge for your intended research, and develop the skills to research in that field.

We host around 80 core researchers and many members of the School have strong public roles, recognised through a wide range of external funding, prizes and awards.

Funding

A large number of scholarships, loans and other funding schemes are available for your postgraduate studies. It is only possible to show a small selection in print. To see the full range, please visit: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate.

Awards are offered by the School of History, Classics & Archaeology, the College of Humanities & Social Science, the University of Edinburgh, the Scottish, UK and international governments and many funding bodies.

Here we list a selection of potential sources of financial support for postgraduate students applying to the School of History, Classics & Archaeology.

Tuition fee discounts

We offer a 10 per cent discount on postgraduate fees for all alumni who have graduated with an undergraduate degree from the University. We also offer a 10 per cent discount for international graduates who spent at least one semester at the University of Edinburgh as a visiting undergraduate: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/discounts

Key

- Taught masters programmes
- Masters by Research programmes
- Research programmes

Loans available for study at the University of Edinburgh

The University of Edinburgh is a participating institution in the following loans programmes, meaning we certify your student status and can help with the application process.

• The Canada Student Loans Program ●●●

The University is eligible to certify Canadian student loan applications: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/canadian-loans

• The Student Awards Agency Scotland ●●●

The Student Awards Agency Scotland offers eligible students postgraduate tuition fee loans for eligible programmes: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/pg-loan

• US Student Loans ●●●

The University is eligible to certify loan applications for US loan students. Full details on eligibility and how to apply can be found online: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/us-loans

Research council awards

Research councils offer awards to masters, MPhil and PhD students in most of the Schools within the University of Edinburgh. All studentship applications from the research councils must be made through the University, through your School or College office. Awards can be made for both taught and research programmes.

Normally only those UK/EU students who have been resident in the UK for the preceding three years are eligible for a full

award. For some awards, candidates who are EU nationals and are resident in the UK may be eligible for a fees-only award: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/research-councils

University of Edinburgh scholarships

The University offers a number of scholarships in partnership with the following overseas government agencies:

• Chile ●●●

National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT): www.conicyt.cl

• Colombia ●●●

Administrative Department of Science, Technology and Innovation (Colciencias): www.colciencias.gov.co

• Ecuador ●●●

Secretaria Nacional de Educacion Superior, Ciencia y Tecnologia (SENESCYT): www.educacionsuperior.gob.ec

• Iraq ●●●

Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research: www.en.mohesr.gov.iq/

• Mexico ●●●

National Council of Science and Technology of the United Mexican States (CONACYT): ●●● www.conacyt.mx

Banco de Mexico and the Banco de Mexico's FIDERH trust (FIDERH): ●●● www.fiderh.org.mx

Fundacion Mexicana para la Educacion, la Tecnologia y la Ciencia (FUNED): ●●● www.funedx.org

Other scholarship opportunities include:

• Jenny Balston Scholarship ●●●

Two awards are available for full-time history PhD applicants. Awards include UK/EU-rate tuition fees, a stipend and research expenses: www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/student-funding/postgraduate/international/humanities/history-classics-archaeology/jenny-balston

• China Scholarships Council/University of Edinburgh Scholarships (China) ●●●

A number of scholarships for PhD study to candidates who are citizens and residents of China: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/china-council

• College of Humanities & Social Science Studentships and Scholarships ●●●

Studentships and scholarships are open to those admitted to the first year of PhD research: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/research-hss

• Edinburgh Global Masters Scholarships ●●●

A number of scholarships are available to international students for masters study: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/masters

• Edinburgh Global Research Scholarships ●●●

These scholarships are designed to attract high-quality international research students to the University: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/global-research

• Eric Liddell China Saltire Scholarships (China) ●●●

Ten scholarships are available to Chinese citizens who are permanent residents of mainland China who are accepted on a full-time masters degree programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/liddell

• McFarlane Scholarship ●●●

One award is available for a prospective PhD History student researching the Scottish diaspora: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

• Julius Nyerere Masters Scholarships (Tanzania) ●●●

One scholarship is available to citizens of Tanzania who are normally resident in Tanzania who are accepted on a full-time masters degree programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/nyerere

• School of History, Classics & Archaeology Doctoral Awards ●●●

A number of awards are made each year to students applying for PhD programmes: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/hca-phd

• School of History, Classics & Archaeology Masters Scholarships ●●●

A number of awards are offered each year to students applying for masters programmes: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/hca-masters

• Southern African Scholarship ●●●

One award for masters study available to students from selected southern African countries: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate/southern-africa

• UK/EU Masters Scholarships ●●●

A number of scholarships for UK and EU students who have been accepted on a full-time masters degree programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/uk-masters

• University of Edinburgh PhD Scholarships ●●●

A number of scholarships, open to UK, EU and international PhD students: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/development

Other sources of funding

The following are examples of the many scholarships and support schemes available to students from particular countries who meet certain eligibility criteria.

• Beit Trust ●●●

Beit Trust Scholarships support postgraduate students from Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe, usually to undertake a masters degree: www.beittrust.org.uk

• Chevening Scholarships ●●●

A number of partial and full funding scholarships are available to one-year masters students: www.chevening.org

• Commonwealth Scholarships ●●●

Scholarships available to students who are resident in any Commonwealth country, other than the UK: www.dfid.gov.uk/cscuk

• Fulbright Scholarships (USA) ●●●

Scholarships open to US graduate students in any subject wishing to study in the UK: www.iie.org/fulbright

• Marshall Scholarships (USA) ●●●

Scholarships available to outstanding US students wishing to study at any UK university for at least two years: www.marshallsscholarship.org

• Scotland's Saltire Scholarships ●●●

A number of scholarships open to students who are citizens permanently and ordinarily resident in Canada, China, India and the USA for one year of masters study: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/saltire

• Silber Bequest ●●●

Funding is available to help prospective postgraduate students living in the UK who have been granted refugee status: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/silber

Funding for online distance learning

The University offers several scholarships specifically for online, part-time postgraduate programmes, including the Edinburgh Global Online Distance Learning Masters Scholarship, for which students of our MSc History can apply: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/e-learning/online-distance

“I learnt about the scholarships through the scholarships and student funding section of the University’s website. The scholarships have provided me with a wonderful opportunity to study at a premier institution. I wish to work in academia in the future and so my PhD will provide me with the necessary training and qualification to allow me to meet my goals.”

Shruti Chaudhry, PhD Sociology, Edinburgh Global Research Scholarship and College of Humanities & Social Science Research Studentship

How to apply

We have an online application process for all postgraduate programmes. It's a straightforward system with full instructions, including details of any supporting documentation you need to submit.

When applying, you will set up an account which lets you save your application and continue at another time.

Full guidance on our application system is available at: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/applying

General requirements

Our usual entry requirement for postgraduate study is a UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country), in a subject related to your chosen programme.

Applicants for PhD programmes must hold a relevant masters degree with a pass of at least 65 per cent in the dissertation and 65 per cent overall, or the international equivalent.

You will also need to meet the University's language requirements (see below).

Entry requirements for individual programmes can vary, so check the details for the specific programme you wish to apply for.

References

References are not required for taught masters degrees, but can be included and will be necessary for most applications for scholarships. For applications to research programmes, two references are required. You should check the entry online for exact requirements for your intended programme of study. For general guidance on references, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/references

Deadlines

Some programmes have application deadlines. Please check the programme entry online for details. For all other programmes, you are encouraged to apply no later than one month prior to entry to ensure there is sufficient time to process your application. However, earlier application is recommended, particularly where there is a high demand for places or when a visa will be required. Should you wish to submit a late application, please contact us for guidance.

Scholarships require separate applications, and those wishing to apply for them must also have applied for a place to study before the scholarship deadline. In most cases this deadline is around the end of January for PhD applications and around the end of February for MSc applications. Please check well in advance:

www.ed.ac.uk/hca/funding/phd

www.ed.ac.uk/hca/funding/masters

Taught MSc programmes

Application procedure

- Thoroughly explore this prospectus and our website to identify your preferred programme of study.
- Check you meet all entry requirements. Note that most scholarships or bursaries require a separate application. Check any deadlines.
- Visit www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees, navigate to your chosen programme, and click on Apply. Follow the instructions within the online application system, including details of documentation you must supply.
- References are not required for taught masters degrees, but can be included and will be necessary for most applications for scholarships.

MSc by Research and PhD programmes

Application procedure

- Thoroughly explore this prospectus and our website to identify your preferred programme of study.
- Check you meet all entry requirements. Note that most applications for scholarships or bursaries require a separate application. Check any deadlines.
- You should explore staff research expertise and, if possible, make contact with potential supervisors before submitting an application. If in doubt, contact the Graduate Officer in your subject area (see page 31).

- Visit www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees, navigate to your chosen programme, and click on Apply. Follow the instructions within the online application system, including details of documentation you must supply.
- Research programme applicants must submit a research proposal demonstrating your knowledge of your field of research, which will be closely scrutinised as part of the decision-making process. Guidance on writing a research proposal can be found at www.ed.ac.uk/history-classics-archaeology/graduate-school/applying/guidance. You will also need to supply contact details of two referees.

Joining us from overseas

International applicants are advised to check the University's website to find out more about their visa options and our Integrated English for Academic Purposes (IEAP) programme. More information: www.ed.ac.uk/studying/international

International agents

The University has certified representative agents in the following locations: Brunei, Canada, China, Gulf Region, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Zambia and Zimbabwe. International applicants can use an agent to help guide them through the application process if necessary. For more information visit: www.ed.ac.uk/international/country

English language requirements

Students whose first language is not English must show evidence of one of the qualifications below:

- IELTS: total 7.0 (at least 6.0 in each module).
- TOEFL-iBT: total 100 (at least 20 in each module).
- PTE(A): total 67 (at least 56 in each of the Communicative Skills sections).
- CAE and CPE: total 185 (at least 169 in each module).

Please note:

- English language requirements can be affected by government policy so please ensure you visit our degree finder to check the latest requirements for your programme: www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees
- Your English language certificate must be no more than two years old at the beginning of your programme.
- We also accept recent degree-level study that was taught and assessed in English in a majority English speaking country (as defined by UK Visas & Immigration).

Abbreviations: IELTS – International English Language Testing System; TOEFL-iBT – Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-Based Test; PTE(A) – Pearson Test of English (Academic); CPE – Certificate of Proficiency in English; CAE – Certificate in Advanced English.

www.ed.ac.uk/english-requirements/pg

Get in touch

Contact us

Taught programmes

To discuss any of our taught programmes, contact the relevant Programme Director – see pages 06–21 or visit: www.ed.ac.uk/history-classics-archaeology/graduate-school/programmes

Alternatively, you can contact one of our Graduate Officers:

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MSc by Research and PhD programmes

To discuss research opportunities, contact academic staff in the relevant field. To explore all options, visit www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/history-classics-archaeology/graduate-school/programmes, and for contact details of staff, see: www.ed.ac.uk/history-classics-archaeology/about-us/staff-profiles

You can also contact the Graduate Officers (above).

Funding

For further details on funding, see www.ed.ac.uk/history-classics-archaeology/graduate-school/applying/funding

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Visit us

The University's Postgraduate Open Day is your opportunity to come and meet current staff and students. Our next campus-based Open Day takes place on Wednesday 18 November 2015. For more information, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate-open-day

We are also happy to arrange visits at other times, and it may be possible to arrange telephone or video conversations with prospective supervisors.

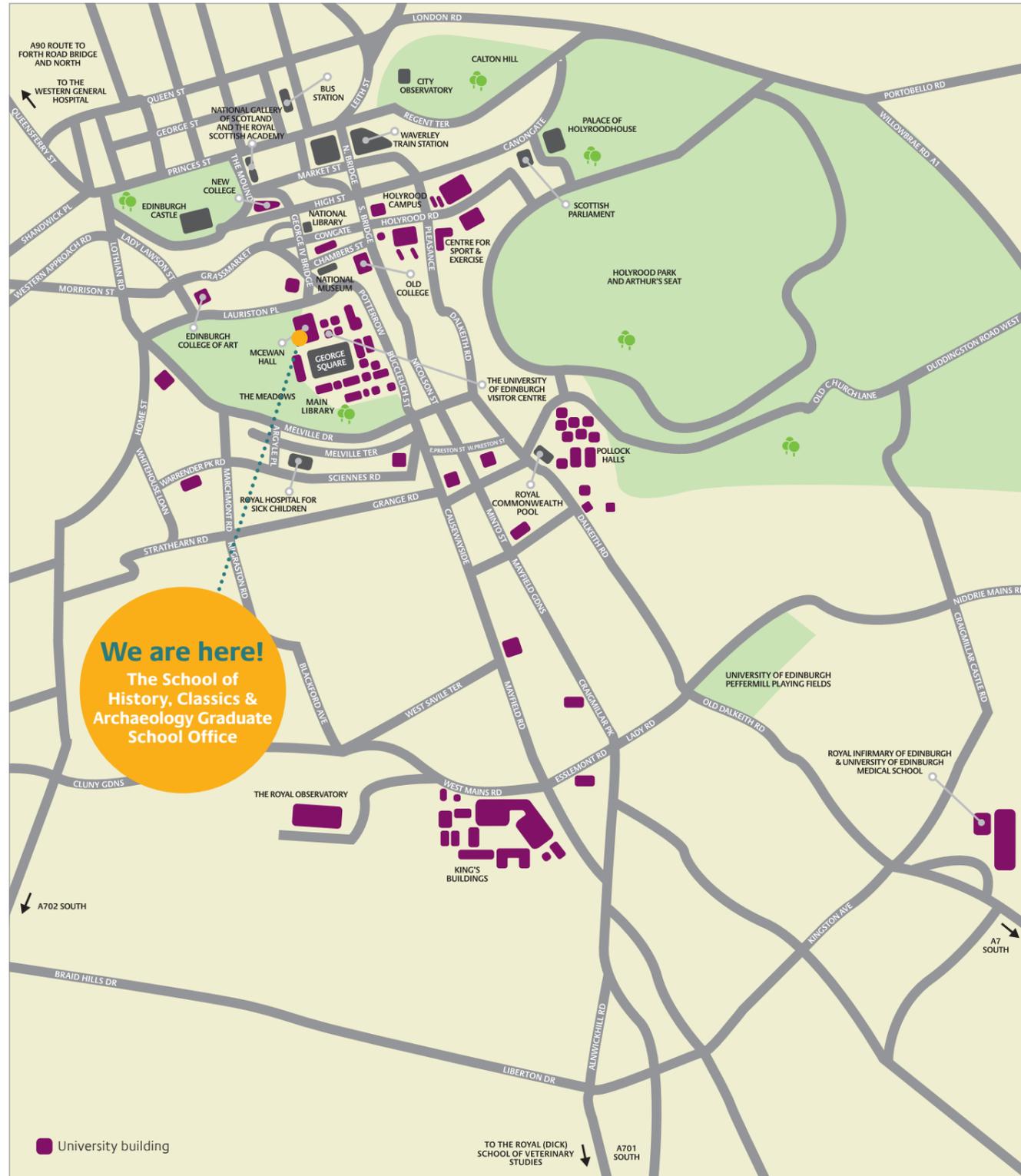
The University also runs online information sessions for prospective postgraduate students throughout the year. For more information, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/online-events



Campus map

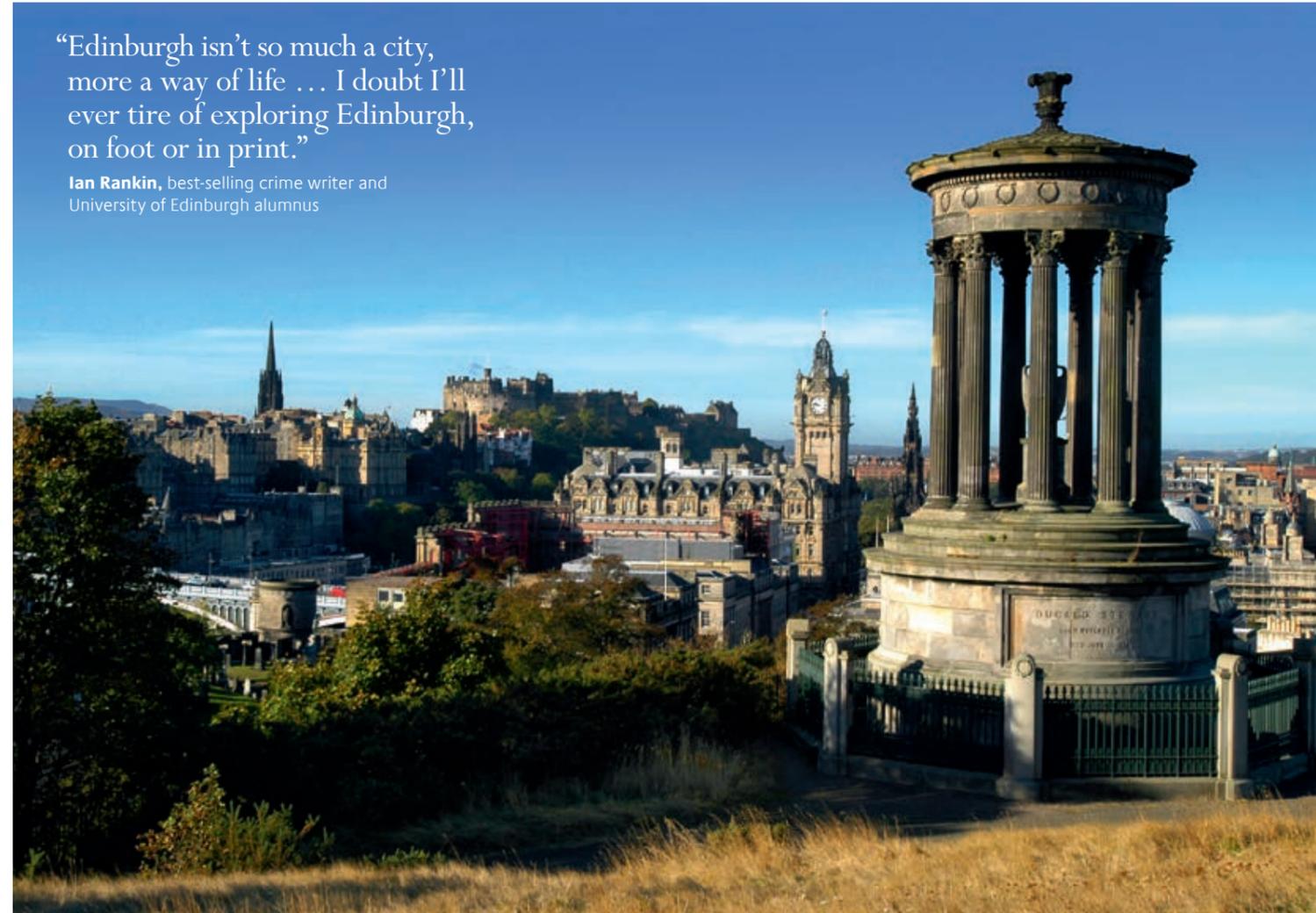
The School is located in a recently renovated and historic building in central Edinburgh. Entrance is through the arch of the Old Medical School quadrangle on Teviot Place. The School of History, Classics & Archaeology entrance is doorway four, in the south-west corner of the quadrangle.

Detailed maps can be found at: www.ed.ac.uk/maps



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