



Australian
National
University

MASTER
DEGREE

Master of Archaeological and Evolutionary Science



CRICOS code: 096399M

Intakes: S1 and S2

Duration: 2 years FT

Master of Archaeological
& Evolutionary Science
(Advanced):

CRICOS code: 096400A



Archaeology

#1

in Australia

#10 globally

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026

ANU is one of the world's leading archaeological teaching and research universities, offering you opportunities to work with world-leading academics, who can provide you with the knowledge and skills required to undertake scientific study of our human heritage using perspectives from Archaeology and/ or Biological Anthropology.

It is also the only university in Australia that offers both Biological Anthropology and Archaeology teaching and research programs.

As a student you will benefit from research-led teaching, access and use of world-class laboratory facilities, strong industry partnerships, hands-on practical learning, and a variety of field schools.

Professional outcomes

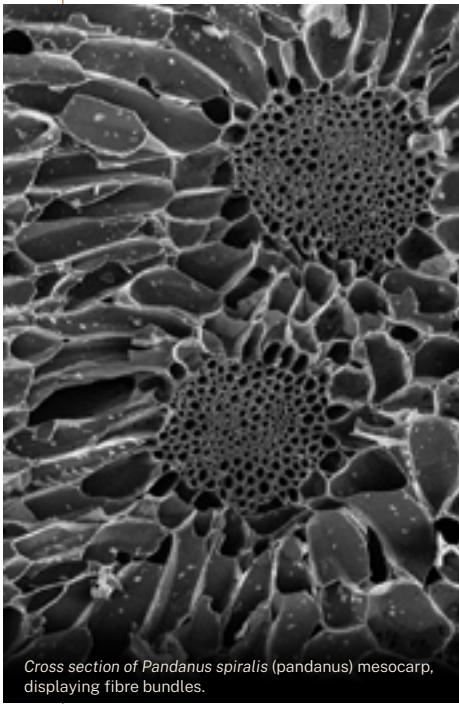
This is the right degree for you if you are interested in enhancing your professional skills or pursuing a PhD.

Our degrees attract professionals from all backgrounds that relate to the study of humanity, including: professional and academic archaeology, cultural and environmental resource management, forensic science, materials science and ecotourism, human biology, psychology, ecology, and beyond.

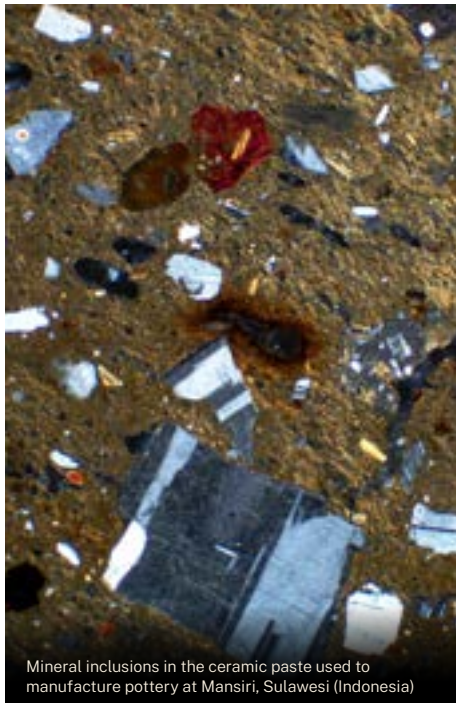
Our unique program can be tailored to suit your career path or research interests offering you a choice of archaeological and evolutionary science specialisations.

In addition to a deep understanding of the field, this Masters program equips you with extensive research skills. You will learn to apply scientific approaches and analytical techniques in the lab and the field. You will also learn to think critically about research findings and present them in ways that are consistent with scientific rigour in the 21st century.

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Cross section of *Pandanus spiralis* (pandanus) mesocarp, displaying fibre bundles.



Mineral inclusions in the ceramic paste used to manufacture pottery at Mansiri, Sulawesi (Indonesia)



Casts of two extinct hominin cranial specimens. Left specimen: Gibraltar 1 (*Homo neanderthalensis*); Right specimen: Sts-5 (*Australopithecus africanus*).

About the Master of Archaeological & Evolutionary Science

The study of what it means to be human can be fully achieved only by exploring both the past and present of humanity, in areas where aspects of our biology, culture, society, evolution, and behaviour are combined. As an archaeological and evolutionary science student at ANU, you will receive in depth conceptual, methodological, field, and laboratory training covering the many ways in which humans have existed as part of dynamic societies in the past.

Cognate disciplines

Anatomy, Ancient History, Anthropology, Archaeology, Botany, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Human Biology, Indigenous Studies, Marine Science, Medicine, Museum and Heritage Studies, Psychology and Zoology.

Specialisations

- Bioarchaeology and Forensic Anthropology
- Environmental Archaeology and Climate Change
- Human Evolution

Admission requirements

- A Bachelor degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 5/7 for the Master of Archaeological and Evolutionary Science
- A Bachelor degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 6/7 and the approval of an identified supervisor for the Master of Archaeological and Evolutionary Science (Advanced)
- All applicants must meet the University's English Language Admission Requirements for Students
- Applicants with a Bachelor Degree or Graduate Certificate in a cognate discipline may be eligible for 24 units (one semester) of transfer credit
- Applicants with a Graduate Diploma or Honours in a cognate discipline may be eligible for 48 units (one year) of transfer credit.

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