University of Milan
Programme Description - Academic Year 2024/25

MASTER DEGREE
Archaeology (Classe LM-2)
Enrolled from academic year 2024/25

**HEADING**

| Degree classification - Denomination and code: | LM-2 Archaeology |
| Degree title: | Dottore Magistrale |
| Length of course: | 2 years |
| Credits required for admission: | 180 |
| Total number of credits required to complete programme: | 120 |
| Years of course currently available: | 1st |
| Access procedures: | Open, subject to entry requirements |
| Course code: | C79 |

**PERSONS/ROLES**

**Head of Study Programme**
Prof.ssa Claudia Lambrugo

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- Prof. Matilde Marzullo (Mobilità internazionale e Erasmus / Erasmus and international mobility tutor)
- Prof.ssa Claudia Lambrugo (Stage e tirocini / Internships)
- Prof. Lorenzo Zamboni (Orientamento e Piani di studio / Academic guidance tutor & Study plan tutor)
- Prof. Emanuele Intagliata (Orientamento e Piani di studio / Academic guidance tutor & Study plan tutor)

**Degree Course website**
https://archeologia.cdl.unimi.it/it
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**Email: archeo.bc@unimi.it**

**CHARACTERISTICS OF DEGREE PROGRAMME**

**General and specific learning objectives**
The Master's degree programme in Archaeology aims to provide a solid base of knowledge in the field of the archaeology of the European continent and of the countries bordering the Mediterranean, as well as the skills required for working in the field of cultural heritage protection and enhancement and for participating in archaeological digs. It is an open-admission programme for students holding the required educational background, i.e. a Bachelor's degree in Archaeology. Curricular requirements will be assessed through an admission interview, with a view to ascertaining that the candidate has earned all the credits required for admission to the Master's degree programme in Archaeology. The core courses of the programme include the main archaeological disciplines (European prehistory and protohistory, etruscology,
archaeology of pre-Roman Italy, Greek archaeology, Roman archaeology, archaeology of Magna Graecia, archaeology of the Roman provinces, etc.), a course of Greek or Latin literature, a course of ancient history or Egyptology or literature and two courses of anthropology or analytical methods for cultural heritage studies. Training activities are organized on a six-monthly basis and include a workshop in an archaeological excavation site or in the classroom in technical-archaeological disciplines (archaeological design, surveying tools, cataloguing of artifacts). A key part of training is research work with a view to writing the degree thesis.

**Expected learning outcomes**

Graduates from this programme have a sound historical-artistic and archaeological knowledge in the main research fields of archaeological disciplines relating to the Mediterranean and European world; they are familiar with research methodologies used in archaeological excavation, surveying and mapping techniques, chrono-typological classification of the different classes of artifacts, and the analysis of literary sources; they also understand the principles of protection, conservation and enhancement of archaeological heritage. Lastly, graduates from the Master's degree programme in Archaeology must be fluent in English, both written and oral, including with regard to academic terminology.

**Professional profile and employment opportunities**

The programme provides indispensable cognitive tools, both in terms of historical-archaeological knowledge and of technical and methodological skills, for the purposes of lifelong learning and furthering studies and research independently (postgraduate school of archaeology or PhD). The Master's degree in Archaeology is a key requirement to become a tier-II archaeologist pursuant to Ministerial Decree no. 244 of 20 May 2019, which regulates access to cultural heritage professions.

Graduates must be able to operate both on an excavation site (digging, data processing, phasing, reconstruction of the history of the investigated area) and in archaeological heritage research, protection and enhancement institutions, with mostly operational roles.

**Notes**

Proficiency in English at a B1 level or higher, under to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), is required for admission.

The B1-level requirement will be ascertained by the University Language Centre (SLAM) upon admission as follows:

- By a language certification at or above B1, obtained no more than 3 years earlier. For the list of language certifications recognized by the University please review: https://www.unimi.it/it/studiare/competenze-linguistiche/placement-test-e-corsi-di-inglese/test-di-ingresso-di-inglese. The certification must be uploaded when submitting the online application;
- By the English level achieved during a Bachelor's degree programme through SLAM courses and tests. The certificates must be less than four years old, and will be assessed administratively, without the applicant having to attach any certificates;
- By the entrance test, which will be delivered by the SLAM at https://www.unimi.it/it/studiare/competenze-linguistiche/placement-test-e-corsi-di-inglese/test-di-ingresso-di-inglese

All those who fail to submit a valid certificate or do not meet the required proficiency level will be invited to take the test through the admission procedure.

Candidates who do not sit or pass the entrance test will have until 31 December 2021 to obtain and submit one of the recognized certifications to the SLAM.

Students who do not meet the requirement by 31 December will not be admitted to the Master's degree programme and cannot sit further tests.

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**EXPERIENCE OF STUDY ABROAD AS PART OF THE TRAINING PROGRAM**

The University of Milan supports international mobility by providing its students with the opportunity to spend study and internship periods abroad. It is a unique chance to enrich your educational path in a new exciting environment.

The agreements entered into by the University with over 300 universities from the 27 EU member countries under the European Erasmus+ programme allow regularly enrolled students to carry out part of their studies at one of the partner universities or to undertake internships at companies, training and research centres and other organizations.

Similar international mobility opportunities are provided outside Europe, through agreements with a number of prestigious institutions.

**Study and internships abroad**

The degree programme offers its students Erasmus+ opportunities at the Université de Rennes II - Haute Bretagne and the Freie Universität in Berlin. For each location, Erasmus outgoing students have options ranging from 3 to 10 months, during which they can follow courses and take exams that will be recognized as an integral part of the degree programme. They can also combine this activity with research for the preparation of their Master's thesis, which will count towards the number of credits covered by the Erasmus scholarship. Every year, all teaching activities included in the programme are presented to interested students by the Erasmus manager in a specific informative meeting. The data and educational information required for submitting the Learning Agreement are also collected in special information sheets posted to the Erasmus page of the Faculty of Humanities https://www.unimi.it/en/node/12884/

If you are and incoming Erasmus student, you can attend all classes in Italian. If you wish, you can agree with individual instructors on a programme partly or entirely in English. Moreover, teaching staff exchange agreements are in place with
many partner universities, including visiting professor programmes for our faculty members abroad and for foreign colleagues at our institution, within the programmes of the Department of Cultural and Environmental Heritage.

**How to participate in Erasmus mobility programs**

The students of the University of Milan can participate in mobility programmes, through a public selection procedure. Ad hoc commissions will evaluate:

- Academic career
- the candidate’s proposed study programme abroad
- his/her foreign language proficiency
- his reasons behind his/her application

Call for applications and informative meetings

The public selection for Erasmus+ mobility for study generally begins around February each year with the publication of a call for applications specifying destinations and requirements. Regarding the Erasmus+ Mobility for Traineeship, the University of Milan usually publishes two calls a year enabling students to choose a destination defined by an inter-institutional agreement or to find a traineeship position on their own.

The University organizes informative meetings to illustrate mobility opportunities and rules for participation.

**Erasmus+ scholarship**

The European Union grants the winners of the Erasmus+ programme selection a scholarship to contribute to their mobility costs, which may be supplemented by the University funding for disadvantaged students.

**Language courses**

Students who pass the selections for mobility programmes can benefit from intensive foreign language courses offered each year by the University Language Centre (SLAM).

https://www.unimi.it/en/node/8/

Learn more at https://www.unimi.it/en/node/274/

For assistance, please contact:
International Mobility Office
Via Santa Sofia 9 (second floor)
Tel. 02 503 13501-12589-13495-13502
Contacts: InformaStudenti; mobility.out@unimi.it
Student Desk booking through InformaStudenti

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**2nd COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2025/26)** Core/compulsory courses/activities common

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Total compulsory credits 30

**COURSE YEAR UNDEFINED Core/compulsory courses/activities common**

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<td>English proficiency B2 (3 ECTS)</td>
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Total compulsory credits 3

**Further elective courses**

6 CFU in one of the following subjects

- Greek literature
- Latin literature LM

6 CFU in one of the following subjects

- Egyptian Archaeology
- Greek epigraphy
- Greek History MA
- Latin epigraphy
- Roman History MA

39 credits in five of the following subjects (of which three 9-CFU and two 6-CFU exams)

- Archaeology in Pre-Roman Italy
- Archaeology of Magna Grecia
- Archaeology of the Roman Provinces
- Celtic Archaeology
- Classical Ceramography, Production and Iconography
- Etruscology
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We recommend students follow the courses of archaeological subjects and take the related exams starting from the first year. It is also advisable to choose the additional exams and their sequence in relation to the topic of the degree thesis, to be agreed with the supervisor within the first year of the programme. After earning the required 90 credits, in compliance with these rules, the student may sit the final exam and obtain their degree.