"Flinders archaeology field schools offer a great learning environment and an opportunity to come together with fellow students and staff outside your comfort zone, to work with people you don’t know and to learn about the meaning of teamwork.

I spent a week studying Australian space infrastructure used by NASA during the 60s to 80s at the Orroral Valley Tracking Station, south of Canberra. We carried out a range of exercises to learn and reinforce field techniques fundamental to archaeologists. The field skills practised helped us to gather relevant data for each student’s research."

Stephen Petrie
Graduate Diploma in Archaeology graduate.

“The field schools are fantastic. Heritage Management Planning was exactly what I needed to broaden my knowledge and skills, and refresh myself on heritage management. The opportunity for external topics is really great for those of us who work full-time.

I am so excited! For the first time ever, I can see archaeology as a career rather than an interest and I hope this will open some doors for my future work.”

Britt Wilson
Graduate Diploma in Archaeology student.
Flinders University graduate programs in archaeology and cultural heritage management

Graduate Certificate in Archaeology
Graduate Certificate in Cultural Heritage Management
Graduate Diploma in Archaeology
Graduate Diploma in Cultural Heritage Management

Overview
Flinders University runs the most successful Graduate Programs in Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Management in Australia.

Both programs incorporate a wide range of topics from archaeology, heritage management, tourism, environmental management, biodiversity studies and geography, and are available externally.

Our graduate programs have been deliberately designed to fill skills gaps identified nationally in graduate training and provide a vocationally-oriented fourth year option for anyone wishing to practice in Australia.

Each program has a slightly different focus. The Graduate Program in Cultural Heritage Management is aimed at students who have a three year degree in archaeology or a closely related field (e.g. anthropology, tourism or history) and who wish to successfully enter the workforce as heritage managers or consultants. It also caters for professionals already working in complementary fields, including natural resource, land and environmental management or heritage tourism, who wish to take their careers in a different direction.

The Graduate Program in Archaeology is deliberately more generalist. If you do not come from an archaeology background, this program will allow you to learn about archaeology, develop an understanding of its diverse fields and to follow your own interests. If you have studied archaeology before, the program provides a unique opportunity to learn key skills through hands-on experience by taking part in a wide variety of practice-oriented topics and field schools.

Study program
For most students the program consists of a Graduate Certificate (6 months full-time or part-time equivalent), a Graduate Diploma (1 year full-time or part-time equivalent) or a Masters (2 years full-time or part-time equivalent).

Entry requirements
Applicants normally require an approved undergraduate degree or equivalent, majoring in archaeology, or a closely related discipline from an approved tertiary institution.

Under exceptional circumstances and subject to specific conditions, the Faculty Board may admit others who can show evidence of fitness for candidature. Students who have completed the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma (or other qualifications deemed equivalent) receive credit when progressing to the Graduate Diploma or Masters.

Some recognition for prior work experience is possible in the Graduate Diploma and Masters degrees only.

Course fees
All courses are offered by the Faculty of Education, Humanities and Law on a fee-paying basis.

Details can be viewed at: flinders.edu.au/fees

Applications
Both programs are available for entry in either Semester 1 or Semester 2 each year. To plan your degree, including which semester is right for you, please contact the Graduate Programs Coordinator at: flinders.edu.au/ehl/archaeology/contact-us.cfm

Domestic (Australian) students apply at: satac.edu.au

International students apply at: flinders.edu.au/international-students/