



# Your Degree What Next: Ancient History & Architecture

## What can I do with my Degree?

Recent graduates have entered many fields including archaeology, archaeological consultancy in Ireland and the UK, heritage and museum work (for example the National Museum of Ireland), art restoration, teaching and higher education policy, publishing, business, computing, accountancy, government and social work. Recent graduates are working for companies as diverse as McKinsey and Co and Cambridge University Press.

Below are some examples of the roles that graduates are in 9 months after graduating.

### Roles

Archaeologist  
Deputy Economic Attachée  
Marketing Assistant  
Tour Guide  
Educational Department Assistant  
International Brand Ambassador

### Employers

Irish Archaeological Consultancy Ltd  
Economic Service French Embassy Ireland  
Pulsara Marketing  
Office of Public Works  
Irish Museum of Modern Art  
Irish Distillers

Each year some of our graduates also opt to pursue a research career in history or archaeology beginning with postgraduate study in Ireland or abroad. Areas of study that students have gone onto include: Archaeology, Anthropology, Medieval History, Museum Studies, Public History and Cultural Heritage, Education, Human Osteoarchaeology, Materials culture, Classics, Data Analytics and Law.

## Useful Resources

The organisations and professional bodies listed below are useful resources for career / sector specific information:

### Resources

gradireland (IE)  
Targetjobs (UK)  
British Archaeological Jobs and Resources  
Irish Museums Association (IE)  
Vault Career Insider (Global)

### Professional Bodies

Institute of Archaeologists of Ireland  
Irish Museums Association  
Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland  
British Royal Historical Society

## Graduate attributes and transferrable skills you can develop at Trinity

You gain a wide range of skills and attributes while at College, through academic study, clubs and societies, voluntary work, student politics, work and other commitments. These are important to recognize as they inform your career decisions and are a critical ingredient in your applications for postgraduate study and jobs. Here are some skills you can gain :

**1. Critical Thinking** - The most fundamental part of a university education is learning to work on your own and to make independent judgments. You have to discover the information that you need to analyse complex questions and develop your ideas about them and to present your arguments clearly and persuasively.

**2. Teamwork** - Learning to work as part of a team is an important skill; sharing the workload, agreeing roles and working as a team to develop ideas, analyse information and present a coherent group argument.

**3. Independent Research** - You will have learnt how to use the library and other complex information resources and coordinate information from a wide variety of sources.

**4. Logical argumentation** - You will know how to bring together facts and arguments in order to answer a specific ques-

**5. Time and project management** - By working on assignments and studying for exams you will have developed the ability to revise and consolidate your work and know how to extract the essential points from a mass of information. You will also have learned how to manage your own time and to work under pressure of deadlines.

**6. Verbal communication** - You will know how to present your ideas orally and to contribute constructively to discussions.

**7. Written communication** - You will have had the opportunity to present your ideas in writing accurately and concisely, using convincing arguments which are based on solid evidence; responding flexibly to different types of questions and expressing your thoughts concisely; carrying out in-depth research on a specialised topic and develop the sustained writing skills needed.

**8. Digital Skills** - You will have the opportunity of developing your computer skills both from typing up your own essays and papers and from undertaking searches on the web & using databases.

**9. Personal Development** – You are managing the learning required for a degree and recognising the gaps in your understanding and ensuring that these are addressed in ways that best suit your learning style.

### How can the Careers Service help me?

The Careers Advisory Service supports students in exploring their career options and connects students with employers. You can book an appointment with your careers consultant to help you deciding your next step in your career.

Login to MyCareer at [www.tcd.ie/careers](http://www.tcd.ie/careers) and book your appointment today.

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