

At Louvain-la-Neuve - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In French

Dissertation/Graduation Project : **YES** - Internship : **YES**

Activities in English: **optional** - Activities in other languages : **NO**

Activities on other sites : **NO**

Main study domain :

ARKE2M - Introduction

Introduction

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The Master's degree puts emphasis on a practical approach to the history of art and archaeology :

- museum visits, concerts, study visits in Belgium and abroad, in collaboration with museums (the museums of Louvain-la-Neuve, Mariemont, musical instruments, etc.), issues relating to museums ;
- practical exercises in different laboratories ;
- work experience in the field : archaeological excavations, museums, research laboratories etc.

Your profile

You

- have gained your Bachelor's degree in the history of art and archaeology and your curiosity about objects and works from the past and the present has grown;
- wish to continue developing your sensitivity and your scientific investigation skills;
- wish to become a specialist, with the most up to date knowledge in your chosen field;
- seek to enhance your profile with professional skills and to benefit from the opportunity to put them to the test in the field.

Your future job

Our graduates work in

- professions related to heritage and archaeology: excavation departments, building archaeology, management of listed buildings, artistic and archaeological collections or museums, heritage, conservation, specialist travel, organisation of exhibitions, etc.;
- the fields of culture and communication: art galleries, buying and selling works of art, valuation, restoration, guiding, education, cultural mediation, journalism, publishing, etc.;
- teaching and research.

Your programme

The Master's degree offers you:

- a demanding methodological training which is applied to your subject of research;
- a programme combining different optional courses and focuses according to your interests and the professional profile you wish to develop;
- the possibility of a study visit abroad or work experience in the field;
- top class supervision and the most up to date technological tools.

ARKE2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Thinking and acting as a cultural critic, applying a reflective and critical approach to society through its past and present cultural and artistic output, is the main objective which students of the Master [120] in History of Art and Archaeology : General are called upon to achieve.

In this way, at the end of their programme, students will have an active and integrated expert understanding of a corpus of disciplinary and multidisciplinary knowledge (awareness, terminology, issues, methods, conceptual frameworks) which is indispensable in order to be expert in the different fields of archaeology and the history of art. Students will be able to study and analyse a work or an object, a corpus, a site or a complex problem using archaeological and history of art methodologies, while at the same time improving their critical eye. Students can conduct original and individual research dealing with a significant and varied volume of data in accordance with a systematic and rigorous approach, demonstrating independence in managing a research project and an individual project, and more generally by keeping their knowledge updated.

In this way, the Department ARKE thereby wishes to train actors who are receptive to society and capable of understanding the cultural and socio-professional world and integrating into it with ease and efficiency.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. **Think and act as a cultural critic:** Apply a reflective and critical approach to society through its past and present cultural and artistic output.
- 1.1. Be an active citizen who is conscious of the global and socio-cultural issues at play in the examination of human output from the past and the present, by understanding their position in a complex socio-cultural and historical network ;
- 1.2. Encourage society to understand the importance of its material and audio output by making it aware of the conservation and development of its heritage, while being open to artistic manifestations of modern cultures ;
- 1.3. Demonstrate intellectual independence in reasoning, apply a critical eye to both material and intellectual output over a wide variety of collections (typological, chronological, geographical, etc.) ;
- 1.4. Think and act in a multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary way by being open to other conceptual and methodological frameworks with

- 6.1. Analyse, but also devise, organise and adapt different cultural devices and targeted communications for different audiences ;
- 6.2. Integrate smoothly into a socio-professional environment ;
- 6.3. Forge links and interact with actors in the worlds of culture and heritage ;
- 6.4. Collaborate efficiently within a team, adapting and negotiating ways of working.

7. If the Teaching Focus is chosen: call upon the competencies necessary to begin teaching effectively in upper secondary education, in the history of art and archaeology, and be able to progress there.



- 7.1. Take part in education, in partnership with different parties ;
- 7.2. Teach in authentic and varied situations ;
- 7.3. Reflect upon and progress through the usual stages of continuing development.

For further information, please go to [Teacher Training Certificate \(upper secondary education\) - History of Art and Archaeology, general](#).

8. If the Professional Focus: Archaeological theories, management and sciences is chosen: At the end of this professional focus course, which aims to place the history of art in the wider field of the history of images and their media, students will have acquired the historical knowledge relevant to how these images from the period between the Middle Ages and the twenty-first century were created and received. Students will also be capable of mastering the anthropological, sociological and philosophical methodologies relating to the relationships between the images and the art and the societies which created and used them. Finally, students will be aware of

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☒ LARKO2270	Numismatics : Antiquity	Damien Delvigne (compensates Charles Doyen) Louise Willocx (compensates Charles Doyen)	[q2] [30h] [5 Credits]   > English-friendly	x	x
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***PROFESSIONAL FOCUS: THE STUDY OF VISUAL CULTURES AND
THEIR ICONOGRAPHY [30.0]***

This focus is designed and offered in addition to section A. Art History.

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS : ARCHAEOLOGICAL THEORIES, MANAGEMENT AND SCIENCES [30.0]

This focus is designed and offered in addition to section B. Archaeology.

This focus explores the epistemological and theoretical backgrounds as well as the ways in which archaeology is practised and managed today. In particular, it takes into consideration the social and technical frameworks of the exploitation, circulation and transformation of raw materials, shaped by Man into objects. The course also addresses, through practical cases, the analysis and interpretation of landscapes and the environment, including the exploitation of their resources by ancient societies. This focus also raises consciousness of the issues of investigating the physical traces of recent and present times.

- Mandatory
- ⊗ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2024-2025
- ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

[Click on the course title to see detailed informations \(objectives, methods, evaluation...\)](#)

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Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

What is a preparatory module?

It is a set of supplementary classes (courses, practical works, seminars, etc.) from the first cycle (see the non-exhaustive list below). The complementary module (maximum 60 credits) is tailor-made by the jury according to the student's educational background and added to the Master's programme in order to acquire fundamental knowledge to then pursue the 120 credits of the Master's programme.

Who is it for?

- Students from a non-university higher education institution
- Candidates admitted with additional training
- Candidates admitted on the file with additional training

All the explanations are in [this document](#) (in French).

Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

Diploma	Access	Remarks
BA - styliste-modéliste - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts graphiques - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace - orientation création d'intérieurs - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: arts numériques - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: bande dessinée - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: création d'intérieurs - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: dessin et technologie en architecture - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: graphisme - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: illustration - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: images plurielles imprimées - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: peinture - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: photographie - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: publicité - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: sculpture - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: stylisme d'objets ou esthétique industrielle - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace: stylisme de mode - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60 BA en stylisme de mode - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60	Les enseignements supplémentaires éventuels peuvent être consultés dans le module complémentaire .	Type court

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
Licence en histoire de l'art et archéologie		Direct access	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Masters			
Master [60] in History of Art and Archaeology : General		Direct access	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration) Taking into account the student's educational background will allow 45 of 60 credits to be exempted.

	<p>educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)</p> <p>If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.</p>
<p>Master [60] in History of Art and Archaeology: Musicology Master [120] in History of Art and Archaeology: Musicology Master [60] in History Master [120] in History</p>	<p>Access with additional training</p> <p>Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme</p> <p>Programme to be determined</p>

Applications deemed admissible are forwarded to the Faculty by Enrolment Services. Applications that do not meet these criteria are automatically rejected.

Eligibility criteria

Applications submitted to the Faculty by UCLouvain's Enrolment Department are examined by the program's jury in accordance with the specific conditions of access detailed above.

The jury decides on the admissibility of candidates on the basis of the information contained in their application file, the quality of the training they have undergone and the results they have obtained.

When examining the application, the jury will pay particular attention to the following points:

- **Consistency** between the candidate's previous academic career and the prerequisites for the targeted program. The match between the candidate's academic background and the UCLouvain bachelor's degree giving direct access to the master's program need not be perfect, but the skills acquired (see specific access conditions) must be close; Example: for an application for admission to a master's program in modern languages and literature, the candidate's previous training includes courses in languages and literature in both modern languages.
- **Grades** obtained in the program's major disciplines (see specific entry requirements);
- **Arguments** put forward by the applicant in his or her cover letter (training project in line with the program in question, relevance of arguments, coherence between the applicant's application and the program in question, etc.) Example: the language combination requested by the applicant is organized in the program in question.
- **Original covering letter.** An original covering letter is expected, explaining the personal training project. Any plagiarism or use of artificial intelligence in writing the letter to the jury will result in the application being disqualified.
- **Experience gained.** If the access diploma was obtained more than 5 years ago, it is imperative that the experience acquired since leaving school is directly related to the field of study of the programme applied for.

Changes to the conditions of access to the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters for 2025-2026 will be available in this [document](#) .

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Specific professional rules

Successful completion of the master's course with **teaching focus** leads to the award of the master's degree with teaching focus and the title of secondary school education specialist.

The [Réforme des Titres et Fonctions](#) ("Titles and Functions Reform"), in force since 1 September 2016, is intended to harmonise the titles, functions and pay scales of basic and secondary education professionals in French Community of Belgium networks.

It also aims to guarantee the priority of preferred titles over minimum titles and to establish a regime for titles in short supply.

AESS holders can learn which functions they can carry out and the pay scales from which they can benefit by [clicking here](#).

The university cannot be held responsible for any problems that students may encounter at a later date with a view to a teaching appointment in the French Community of Belgium.

Teaching method

The pathways offered by focuses provide many opportunities for the student to be more and more 'in charge of his training' and at the same time his progressive professional choices (via internships).

The different fields of study on the programme (archeology and history of art) provide a coherent set of courses, based on different teaching strategies, like e-learning. Lectures are accompanied by mandatory lectures.

In the modalities which promote interdisciplinary, there is the possibility to include in the programmes courses from other disciplines, or other universities (optional strand).

In the end, the student's choice (geared towards the interdisciplinary courses on the programme) will hold sway.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [regulations concerning studies and exams](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

There are many types of evaluation: evaluation of work and/or oral and written exams; tutorials and internships.

Courses are evaluated according to current university regulations (see General Examination Regulations). Students may find further information on specific evaluation methods in the course descriptions.

To obtain a student's average, the grades awarded for each course unit are weighted by their respective credits

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

Students pursuing a [Master \[120\] in History of Art and Archaeology : General](#) may, as part of their studies, undertake:

- a **study visit** for one term (30 credits) in one of the [many universities](#) with which the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters has concluded partnership agreements, in Europe under the Erasmus+ programme, in Switzerland under the SEMP programme, or elsewhere in the world under the FAME/Mercator programme, or
- a **study visit** for one term (30 credits) in one of the partner universities in Flanders, under the Erasmus Belgica programme.

It is advisable to organise the study visit during the second term of the first year or the first term of the second year.

Note: all teaching focus classes must be taken at UCLouvain.

The [list of recommended destinations](#) is available on the Faculty's website.

Furthermore, under the agreement between UCLouvain and KU Leuven, courses may be taken from the KU Leuven programmes in History of Arts and Archaeology.

Students can undertake an **internship** in Belgium or abroad as part of their study programme. Internships must be related to the specialization (focus) or, in some cases, to the preparation for the MA dissertation.

To find out more:

- [Contacts](#)
- [Practical information](#) (in French)
- [Information on international internships](#) (in French)

Contacts

Curriculum Management

Faculty

Structure entity

SSH/FIAL

Denomination

Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters (FIAL)

Sector

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Acronym

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