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# Master's degree



## Archaeological Sciences & Human Evolution (MSc)

University of Tübingen • Tübingen

### Overview

Degree	Master of Science
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>English</li></ul>
Languages	<p>All courses can be held in English. Participants can choose to write the Master's thesis either in English or in German.</p> <p>German courses specially designed for international Master's and PhD students are available at the university's House of Languages. The full German course programme is available at: <a href="http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/1056">www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/1056</a>.</p>
Full-time / part-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>full-time</li></ul>
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	15 June for the following winter semester
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	Varied
Additional information on tuition fees	Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>This two-year, in-depth interdisciplinary programme provides students with a detailed understanding of the human past, focusing on a combination of disciplines in the natural sciences. Students specialise in one of seven sub-fields and tailor courses and research with top scientists on staff. Students acquire practical and theoretical knowledge using cutting-edge tools and gain experience in the lab and the field. An early integration in ongoing research projects and the development of scientific skills allow students to undertake projects of their choice, in consultation with their advisers, to investigate current questions in any field of archaeology. The seven specialisations available to choose from at Tübingen are archaeobotany, archaeometry, geoarchaeology, palaeoanthropology, palaeogenetics, Stone Age archaeology, and zooarchaeology.</p>

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## Course Details

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### Course organisation

The programme is structured in roughly three phases. In the first semester (phase one), students will be introduced to all fields of archaeological sciences available at the University of Tübingen to get basic knowledge. In the second and third semesters (phase two), students choose one of seven specialisations in archaeological sciences: archaeobotany, archaeometry, geoarchaeology, palaeoanthropology, palaeogenetics, Stone Age archaeology, and zooarchaeology. In this phase, students will also gain first hand knowledge by participating in scientific laboratories or archaeological fieldwork. In the fourth semester (phase three), each student will write a research-based Master's thesis in his or her specialisation.

### A Diploma supplement will be issued

Yes

### International elements

- International guest lecturers
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad

### Integrated internships

The students have ample opportunities to participate both in lab work and excavations concerning archaeology and archaeological sciences. Our lab spaces are state of the art, and through Tübingen-directed projects or through our international collaborations, there is the opportunity to participate in archaeological excavations on almost all continents.

### Course-specific, integrated German language courses

No

### Course-specific, integrated English language courses

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## Costs / Funding

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### Tuition fees per semester in EUR

1,500 EUR

### Additional information on tuition fees

Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries

### Semester contribution

Enrolment fees at the University of Tübingen are currently about 160 EUR per semester. This includes use of local public transport free of charge from Mondays to Fridays in the evenings, at weekends and on public holidays. In addition, students may purchase a semester ticket for unlimited use of public transport in the city of Tübingen and the surrounding area (currently about 130 EUR).

### Costs of living

Estimated basic student expenses are about 950 EUR per month according to the Tübingen Student Services organisation ("Studierendenwerk"), including rent for student accommodation. Rent for private accommodation will be more expensive.

### Funding opportunities

No

## Requirements / Registration

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<b>Academic admission requirements</b>	Bachelor's degree in Archaeological Sciences (or equivalent) with a grade of at least 2.5 (German grading system)
<b>Language requirements</b>	English language proficiency: native speaker, English-language Bachelor's degree, or English B2 (also possibly English at the German "Abitur" level)
<b>Application deadline</b>	15 June for the following winter semester
<b>Submit application to</b>	Online application: <a href="https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/4204">https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/4204</a>  For questions regarding the application process, please contact the International Students' Admissions Office via e-mail: <a href="mailto:study@uni-tuebingen.de">study@uni-tuebingen.de</a> .

## Services

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<b>Possibility of finding part-time employment</b>	Students may find jobs as graduate research assistants for projects of the Department of Geoscience.
<b>Accommodation</b>	<p>Accommodation is available through the Student Services organisation ("Studierendenwerk") or on the private market. Rooms in student accommodation cost approx. 200 to 400 EUR per month. As Tübingen is a very attractive place to live, private accommodation is more expensive and can take some effort to find. To make sure you find a suitable place to live, you should start looking as early as possible.</p> <p>We recommend you apply for student accommodation through the "Studierendenwerk" at the same time that you apply for admission to the Master's programme (<a href="https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/halls-of-residence-tuebingen/">https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/halls-of-residence-tuebingen/</a> and <a href="https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/faqs/">https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/faqs/</a>) and send in a copy of your notification of admission as soon as you have received it. (Your application won't be processed before the "Studierendenwerk" has received proof of your admission.) For further information, check out the "Studierendenwerk" pages on housing in Tübingen (<a href="https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/housing-infos/">https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/housing-infos/</a>).</p>
<b>Support for international students and doctoral candidates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome event</li><li>• Buddy programme</li><li>• Specialist counselling</li><li>• Cultural and linguistic preparation</li></ul>
<b>General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates</b>	<p>The university offers a number of "onboarding" services for newly arriving international students. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a help desk</li><li>• a buddy programme</li><li>• an advisory programme: "How to Study at the University of Tübingen"</li><li>• a wide range of social activities offered by student groups</li></ul>

For further information, please refer to: <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/182071> (onboarding for degree-seeking students).

A student initiative offers a buddy programme and a wide range of social activities during the orientation week and throughout the semester ([www.studit-tuebingen.de/en/](http://www.studit-tuebingen.de/en/)).

Furthermore, there is the Office for Advising and Admission of International Students (<http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/90787>).

Supervisor-student ratio

1:6 or better

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