

Interviews for Archaeology

General questions

- Tell us about your A-level courses.
- What sort of results do you expect?
- What other offers have you received?
- Why did you choose to apply here?
- What do you hope to do during your year out?
- How firm are your plans?
- Besides your course, how do you spend your time?
- Tell us about the field courses you have been on.

Course/subject specific questions

- 1 Tell us about the parts of your various courses which have interested you most so far.
- 2 How would you explain[an aspect of that topic] to us?
- 3 In your course you have done an individual project: How did you choose what you were going to do? Talk us through the main stages of the project, and how you chose the experimental methods you used. On reflection, what parts of your methodology would you now change?
- 4 Here are some graphs relating deaths from cholera through time, sources of water district by district through time, and beer prices through time. What conclusions might you draw? What questions might you start to ask?
- 5 If archaeologists are either historians or scientists, which do you think you are?
- 6 Tell us about your fieldwork in Describe a particular experiment/series of observations which you made. How would you explain those observations?
- 7 Should the building of a motorway be held up for a year to allow the excavation of a Romano-British site?
- 8 What do you see yourself doing after this course?

Questions you might ask

- How much fieldwork does the course involve?
- How easy is it to change subjects/options after the first year?
- What is your attitude to students having a year out before taking this course? What have previous graduates from this course gone on to do? How easy is it to get accommodation?

Items you might take along or be asked to take along

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| Record of Achievement/NRA | Recent essays [marked] |
| Portfolio of practical work | Fieldwork notebooks |