



Curriculum

Program title	Archaeology
Qualification/academic degree to be awarded:	Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology
Faculty name	Faculty of Humanities
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Duration / volume of the program (semester, number of credits):	Program Duration 4 years - 8 semesters Volume - 240 credits:
Language of instruction:	Georgian
Program development and renewal dates:	Accreditation Council decision: No. 381135, 23.03.2023; Academic Council resolution No. 5 14.09.2023
Prerequisites (requirements)for admission to the program:	
➤ A student of a bachelor's program can become a person with a full, general, or equivalent education , who has passed the Unified National Examinations and has the relevant certificate. ➤ Without passing the Unified National Examinations, in accordance with the rules and within the timeframe established by the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia learning is admissible: a) For foreign nationals and stateless people who have received full general or equivalent education in a foreign country; b) For Georgian citizens who have received full general or equivalent education in a foreign country and last 2 years of general education received in a foreign country; c) For people who have been studying / studied and received credits in a foreign country in a higher education institution recognized in accordance with the legislation of that country. ➤ External and internal mobility.	
Program analogues	
LEPL – Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; LEPL – Ilia State University; LEPL – Sokhumi State University.	
Program aims:	
The aim of the bachelor's program "Archaeology" is to train highly qualified specialists in archaeology; - to teach students about the stages of historical development of archeology, basic theories and concepts, field-specific areas and supporting disciplines; types of archaeological monuments and artifacts; archaeological periodization and chronology; the main archaeological monuments of Georgia and the world in chronological, historical, social, political and cultural contexts; - to develop students' basic skills and practical habits of archaeological research and protection of the collections (the search for monuments, excavation, detection and fixation of cultural layers, office processing of artifacts, etc.) for materialization of historical time and reconstruction-interpretation of various events of the past; - to develop their ability to search for and analyze sources, various data, scientific literature in the libraries and electronic databases, to discuss with experts and non-experts and draw justifiable conclusions; - to form their skills regarding professional ethics, academic integrity, responsibility, teamwork, general human values and protection of cultural heritage.	
Learning Outcomes (General and Sectoral Competencies):	
Knowledge and understanding:	The graduate is expected: ➤ to demonstrate broad knowledge of the ways of historical development of archeology, field-specific areas and terminology, basic principles, theories and

	concepts, types of archaeological monuments/artifacts and their periodization and chronology, supporting disciplines, main archaeological monuments of Georgia and the world, basics of archaeological research methods, conservation and restoration of artifacts; ➤ to determine the place and significance of archeology in the process of search for and interpreting materials reflecting human history and consider these materials in the context of various aspects (historical, chronological, political, social, public, economic, cultural, educational, etc.).
Skill:	The graduate is expected: ➤ to conduct archaeological field work in accordance with the directions given by the supervisor: organization of archaeological works; search for monument/artifact; preparing the site for excavations; the use of some archaeometric methods; taking a cultural layer; preparation; written, graphic and photo fixation; observation of stratigraphy, sorting of artifacts; measurement; archiving; ➤ to perform office processing of artifacts (cleaning, sorting, preparation for fixation) and place artifacts in storage facilities (archaeological base, museum), keep the field logs and diaries; ➤ to describe the archaeological monuments and artifacts, determine their chronological and cultural affiliation, classify them, interpret and analyze their form and content; ➤ to search for relevant sources and literature in the libraries, archives and electronic scientific databases, and draw justifiable conclusions by comparing them; ➤ to discuss the results of the research or practical project with experts and non-experts and effectively use information and communication technologies.
Responsibility and autonomy:	The graduate is expected: ➤ to follow the principles of professional ethics, mutual cooperation, responsibility, proper use of work resources and rational time management while working on the archaeological monument; ➤ to be guided by the criteria of academic integrity in describing archaeological sites and artifacts and interpreting data; ➤ to appreciate diversity in archaeological cultures and civilizations in a multicultural world;
Teaching methods:	
➤ Verbal method; ➤ Demonstration method; ➤ Discussion / debates; ➤ Bookwork method; ➤ Written work method; ➤ Collaborative work; ➤ Analysis and synthesis; ➤ Method of induction and deduction; ➤ Practical methods. ➤ Explanatory method.	
Program structure	
❖ The bachelor's program in Archaeology amounts to 240 credits: ✓ The main (Major) program – 180 credits; ✓ Additional (Minor) program (the student has a right to choose one of the minor programs existing at the university) or free component - 60 credits; ❖ The structure of the main program is defined as follows: ✓ Compulsory courses proper for the content of the field of basic education – 120 credits; ✓ Compulsory courses of free component– 20 credits; ✓ Elective courses relevant to the content of the main field of study – 40 credits; See Appendix 1.	
Student Knowledge Assessment System	
LEPL Akaki Tsereteli State University evaluates the academic performance of students of higher education programs using modern indicators by the order of the Minister of Education and Science No. 3 (05.01.2007) and the resolution of the Academic Council of Akaki Tsereteli State University No. 5, (17/18) 15.09. 2017 according to defined principles.	

The assessment system at Akaki Tsereteli State University is divided into the following components:

➤ Out of the total evaluation score of the educational program component (100 points), the share of the mid-term evaluation is 60 points, which, in turn, includes the following evaluation forms:

Student activity during the semester (including various components of assessment) - no more than 30 points;

- Midterm exam – not less than 30 points;
- Final exam - 40 points.

The student with a total competency score of not less than 18 in midterm assessment components is allowed to take the final exam.

The system of assessment recognizes:

a) 5 types of passing grades:

a. a) (A) excellent –91-100 points

a. b) (B) very good – 81-90 points

a. c) (C) good – 71 -80 points

a. d) (D) satisfactory– 61-70 points

a. e) (E) sufficient– 51-60 points

B) two types of negative assessment:

b. a) FX (unsatisfactory) - 41-50 points out of the maximum grade, which means that some more work is required to pass and the student has the right to retake the examination once after independent study.

b. b) F (fail) – 40 points out of the maximum grade or lower, meaning that considerable further work is required and the student has to study the module again. In case of receiving FX in the educational component of the program, an additional exam will be scheduled in no less than 5 days after the announcement of the final exam results.

The minimum grade obtained by a student in the final exam has to be 15 points.

The number of points obtained by a student in the final exam is not added to the additional exam result.

The additional exam provides the final result and is reflected in the final assessment of the educational component of the program.

Considering the additional exam result, in case of getting 0-50 points in the final grade of the educational component, the student will be given the grade F-0.

Additional criteria for assessing student achievement in the training course are defined in the relevant syllabus.

Fields of employment:

- Archaeological research organizations (expeditions) in Georgia and abroad;
- Museums of different profiles;
- Nation-state structures guiding cultural heritage (Agency for the Protection of Cultural Heritage and organizations included in its structure);
- Non-governmental organizations working in the field of protection of cultural heritage in Georgia and abroad;
- National and international cultural heritage protection programs;
- Educational programs aimed at promotion of cultural heritage in Georgia and abroad;
- Organizations working in the tourism sector;
- As an archeology and cultural heritage expert in mass media;
- Expertise of cultural values;
- The program provides the possibility of further upgrading of qualifications to the next level of study for a Master's degree.

Supporting conditions / resources necessary for learning

❖ **The following material resources are used in the implementation of the educational program (the material-technical base of scientific research):**

➤ The History and Archaeology Department of ATSU, scientific library of ATSU and international scientific bases; computer classes of the University and Faculty of Humanities, well-equipped auditoriums, including Auditorium named after Academician Otar Lortkipanidze.

❖ **Institutions participating in the implementation of the program on the basis of the memorandum of cooperation signed with ATSU:**

- N. Berdzenishvili Kutaisi State Historical Museum (scientific library, funds and laboratories, training and educational projects and programs, including the volunteer program);
- Kutaisi Historical-Architectural Museum-Reserve of the Georgian National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation.
- Krukowski Center for the Colchian Culture Research established in Kutaisi by the Institute of Archaeology of the University of Warsaw, Poland.
- The National Museum of Georgia and the scientific library of the Otar Lortkipanidze Institute of Archaeological Research, laboratories, archaeological expeditions, Vani Archaeological Museum-Reserve included in its structure;
- The educational program is implemented by academic staff and visiting specialists with relevant qualifications.

Study Plan
Name of the Program: Archaeology
Qualifications to be awarded: Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology

№	Course	credit	Workload in hours				l/pr/lab/gr	Term								Prerequisite for admission
			total	contact		Ind		I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	
				class	Mid term and final exams											
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1	Compulsory courses proper for the content of the field of basic education (120 credits)															
1.1	Introduction to Archaeology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1	x								
1.2	Auxiliary disciplines of Archaeology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1	x								
1.3	Classical Philology and Archaeology	5	125	60	3	62	1/3/0/0	x								
1.4	Foundations of Archaeology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1		x							
1.5	Archaeology of primitive society	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1		x							
1.6	World culture – the subject of archaeodological research	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1		x							
1.7	Ethnoarchaeology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1		x							
1.8	Methodology of archaeological research	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1			x						
1.9	Archaeology of the Stone Age in Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1			x						
1.10	Archaeology of the Bronze Age in Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1				x					
1.11	Graphical fixation of archaeological monuments and artifacts	5	125	45	3	77	0/3/0/0				x					
1.12	Field archaeological practice	5	125								x					1.8
1.13	Ancient archaeological cultures and civilizations	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1					x				
1.14	Archeology of ancient Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1					x				
1.15	Georgian numismatics	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1					x				
1.16	Archeology of medieval Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1						x			

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1.17	Ancient archaeology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1						x			
1.18	New World Archaeology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1						x			
1.19	Cities and urban lifestyle in ancient Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1							x		
1.20	Basics of museum studies	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1							x		
1.21	The monuments of material culture of the prehistoric period and the early Middle Ages in Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1							x		
1.22	Cities and urban lifestyle in medieval Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1								x	
1.23	Museum studies and practice	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1								x	
1.24	The monuments of material culture of the developed and the late Middle Ages in Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1								x	
	Totally	120														
2	Compulsory Training Courses of Free Component(20 credits)															
2.1	Foreign language 1 (English, German, French, Russian)	5	125	60	3	62	0/4/0/0	x								
2.2	Foreign language 2 (English, German, French, Russian)	5	125	60	3	62	0/4/0/0		x							2.1
2.3	Foreign language 3(English, German, French, Russian)	5	125	60	3	62	0/4/0/0			x						2.2
2.4	Academic writing	5	125	45	3	77	1/0/0/2	x								
	Totally	20														
	Elective courses relevant to the content of the main field of study (40 credits)															
3	Elective course 1 (5 credits)															
3.1	Computer technologies in Archaeology	5	125	30	3	92	0/0/3/0	x								
3.2	Photofixation of archaeological monuments and	5	125	30	3	92	0/2/0/0	x								

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	artifacts															
	Totally	5														
4	Elective course 2 (5 credits)															
4.1	History of Georgia from ancient times to the 16th century	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1		x							
4.2	Introduction to historical science	5	125	45	3	77	1/0/0/2		x							
	Totally	5														
5	Elective course 3 (5 credits)															
5.1	History of Georgia in XVI-XX centuries	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1			x						
5.2	Sourse studies of the history of Georgia	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1			x						
	Totally	5														
6	Elective course 4 (5 credits)															
6.1	Theoretical Ethnology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1				x					
6.2	Ethnology of peoples of the Caucasus	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1				x					
6.3	Field-specific foreign language	5	125	45	3	77	0/4/0/0				x					2.3
	Totally	5														
7	Elective course 5 (5 credits)															
7.1	History of Georgian Culture / Middle Ages, New and Recent Epochs	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1					x				
7.2	Cultural heritage and the basic principles of its protection	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1					x				
7.3	Middle East culture	5	125	45	3	77	1/0/0/2					x				
	Totally	5														
8	Elective course 6 (5 credits)															

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
8.1	Georgian paleography	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1						x			
8.2	Anthropology	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1						x			
8.3	Medieval European culture	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1						x			
	Totally	5														
9	Elective course 7 (5 credits)															
9.1	Classical languages (Latin) 1	5	125	45	3	77	0/3/0/0							x		
9.2	Classical languages (Ancient Greek) 1	5	125	45	3	77	0/3/0/0							x		
9.3	Ethnogenesis and culture of North American Indians	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1							x		
	Totally	5														
10	Elective course 8 (5 credits)															
10.1	Classical languages (Latin) 2	5	125	45	3	77	0/3/0/0								x	9.1
10.2	Classical languages (Ancient Greek) 2	5	125	45	3	77	0/3/0/0								x	9.2
10.3	Intercultural communication	5	125	45	3	77	2/0/0/1								x	
10.4	Cultural pluralism and the modern world (in Georgian and English)	5	125	45	3	77	1/0/0/2								x	
		40														
Additional specialty (Minor) credits - 60																
10	Additional (Minor) program or a free component	60								x	x	x	x	x	x	
In total		240						30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	