Subdivided Module Catalogue
for the Subject

Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology
as a degree subject in a Master’s degree programme with 2 majors
(45 ECTS credits)

Examination regulations version: 2011
Responsible: Faculty of Arts, Historical, Philological, Cultural and Geographical Studies
Responsible: Institute of Ancient Cultures
Course of Studies - Contents and Objectives

The programme in this course of study aims at inducting the student into advanced studies on specific subjects in Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology. By applying the methodology of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology the student is enabled to develop individual research topics and to work out solutions on a broad methodological basis. By training in these skills the student acquires the necessary experience for doctoral studies. In the Master degree programme the main focus is on individual and critical reflection of pre- and protohistorical scientific issues.

In preparing a thesis the graduate has demonstrated his/her capability of pursuing scheduled academic work on a fixed topic and to deal independently with a specific problem in the field of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology, by applying and also modifying learnt methods and scientific viewpoints.

The examination enables the candidate to earn a degree in the field of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology that is internationally compatible and in the course of a consecutive Bachelor-Master degrees study programme constitutes a further academic degree qualifying the graduate for professional career entry or for access to a doctoral degree programme. The examination is designed for asserting that the candidate is acquainted with the scientific issues of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology and capable of handling the methodological requirements of the academic discipline independently.

The study programme is primarily designed for education for occupation as Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeologist in a university, other research institutions, archaeological heritage services or museums. To this aim the Master degree certifies further qualification for scientific occupation. In addition this study programme also qualifies the graduate for professional career entry in fields beyond a scientific occupation, e.g. publishing, librarianship, cultural administration, media, tourism, museology, PR, diplomacy.
Abbreviations used

Course types: \( E = \) field trip, \( K = \) colloquium, \( O = \) conversatorium, \( P = \) placement/lab course, \( R = \) project, \( S = \) seminar, \( T = \) tutorial, \( Ü = \) exercise, \( V = \) lecture

Term: \( SS = \) summer semester, \( WS = \) winter semester

Methods of grading: \( \text{NUM} = \) numerical grade, \( \text{B/NB} = \) (not) successfully completed

Regulations: \( \text{(L)ASPO} = \) general academic and examination regulations (for teaching-degree programmes), \( \text{FSB} = \) subject-specific provisions, \( \text{SFB} = \) list of modules

Other: \( A = \) thesis, \( \text{LV} = \) course(s), \( \text{PL} = \) assessment(s), \( \text{TN} = \) participants, \( \text{VL} = \) prerequisite(s)

Conventions

Unless otherwise stated, courses and assessments will be held in German, assessments will be offered every semester and modules are not creditable for bonus.

Notes

Should there be the option to choose between several methods of assessment, the lecturer will agree with the module coordinator on the method of assessment to be used in the current semester by two weeks after the start of the course at the latest and will communicate this in the customary manner.

Should the module comprise more than one graded assessment, all assessments will be equally weighted, unless otherwise stated below.

Should the assessment comprise several individual assessments, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

In accordance with

the general regulations governing the degree subject described in this module catalogue:

\( \text{ASPO}2009 \)

associated official publications (FSB (subject-specific provisions)/SFB (list of modules)):

\( 29-\text{Aug-}2011\ (2011-58) \)

This module handbook seeks to render, as accurately as possible, the data that is of statutory relevance according to the examination regulations of the degree subject. However, only the FSB (subject-specific provisions) and SFB (list of modules) in their officially published versions shall be legally binding. In the case of doubt, the provisions on, in particular, module assessments specified in the FSB/SFB shall prevail.
The subject is divided into

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**Module coordinator**

holder of the Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

**Module offered by**

Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

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**Duration**

1 semester

**Module level**

graduate

**Other prerequisites**

Admission prerequisite to assessment: logs (10 pages) and presentation (60 to 75 minutes) with position paper (2 to 3 pages).

**Contents**

Students will be provided with detailed skills of selected cultural periods and cultural spaces concerning the Prehistory and Early History of Archaeology: They will be provided with consolidated knowledge of important findings that characterise the prehistoric and early historic cultures of different periods (from the Palaeolithic up to the Roman Iron Age) and areas (from Northern Europe to the Mediterranean area); Involvement of the research history and the current state of research. -- Specialisation 1

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students acquire detailed knowledge of the research history and cultural-specific characteristics of selected cultural periods and cultural areas of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology; Students will independently work on archaeological issues and deal critically with current research issues; Classification of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology; Communication techniques. -- Specialisation 1

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V + S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)

term paper (20 to 25 pages)

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

Additional information on module duration: 1 to 2 semesters.

**Referred to in LPO I** (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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## Morphology and Chronology in Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology - Specialisation

**Module title**
Morphology and Chronology in Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology - Specialisation

**Abbreviation**
04-VFG-FuCHS-112-m01

**Module coordinator**
holder of the Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

**Module offered by**
Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

**ECTS**
5

**Method of grading**
numerical grade

**Only after succ. compl. of module(s)**
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**Duration**
1 semester

**Module level**
graduate

**Other prerequisites**
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### Contents
Students will be provided with detailed knowledge of typology and the chronology of selected findings from the Prehistory and Early History of Archaeology: Periods of Prehistory and Early History of Archaeology (Palaeolithic, Neolithic period, Bronze Age, pre-Roman iron age, Roman Iron Age) will mainly be covered and students will work on finding genres, form spectrum and age determination of findings independently and comprehensively.

### Specialisation

### Intended learning outcomes
Students acquire detailed knowledge of typological developments, dissemination and dating of selected finding material of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology; Epochs (overview of the Palaeolithic up to the Roman Iron Age); Sources (findings); Typological methodology; Communication techniques.

### Courses

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**Method of assessment**
presentation (60 to 75 minutes) with position paper (2 to 3 pages)

### Allocation of places
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### Additional information
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### Referred to in LPO I
(examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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Module title | Abbreviation
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Module Research in Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology | 04-VFG-FMVFG-112-m01

Module coordinator | Module offered by
holder of the Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology | Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

ECTS | Method of grading | Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
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Duration | Module level | Other prerequisites
1 semester | graduate | Attendance of 2 block courses.

Contents
Graduate colloquium: In the course of the studies "Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology", students will present their current theses (master's thesis/master's dissertation, doctoral thesis) and will discuss thematic, methodological as well as practical aspects of their theses critically.

Intended learning outcomes
Students will present an academical work independently and autonomously; They are able to discuss thematic, methodological and practical aspects of the scientific work critically; Communication techniques.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)
presentation (20 to 40 minutes)

Allocation of places
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Additional information
Additional information on module duration: 1 to 2 semesters.

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Students will be provided with practical skills and techniques of archaeological fieldwork (prospection and excavations) or museum work: Students will consolidate and practically apply the basics of archaeological prospecting and excavation or museum work. -- Specialisation 1

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students acquire the ability to work on archaeological excavations and prospections or to work in a museum independently; They acquire techniques of field work, preparation of findings, archaeological documentation or inventory; Exhibitions. -- Specialisation 1

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

P (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)

logs (10 pages)

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

Additional information on module duration: 1 to 2 semesters.

**Referred to in LPO I** (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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### Module title

**Master Thesis Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology**

### Abbreviation

04-VFG-MTVFG-112-m01

### Module coordinator

holder of the Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

### Module offered by

Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

### ECTS

30

### Method of grading

numerical grade

### Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

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### Duration

1 semester

### Module level

graduate

### Other prerequisites

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### Contents

With the help of scientific methods, students will independently work on a specific topic of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology in a from the ASPO given period of time. In case of the M.A. studies that contain two main subjects, a topic will be chosen that covers an issue, which affects both main subjects interdisciplinarily. The topic is to be agreed upon with an authorised examiner or, in the case of an interdisciplinary thesis, 2 authorised examiners.

### Intended learning outcomes

With the help of scientific methods, students are able to work independently on an issue of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology and are able to present their results in written form, according to the scientific convention.

### Courses

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

no courses assigned

### Method of assessment

(type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)

Master’s thesis (50 to 70 pages)

Language of assessment: German, English

### Allocation of places

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### Additional information

Additional information on module duration: 6 months.

### Referred to in LPO I

(examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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Students will be provided with detailed knowledge of selected subject areas of methodology, cultural theory and research history of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology: Students will independently and comprehensively work on specialist and cultural science as well as comparative evaluation methods, theoretical modelling and research historical interpretive approaches for the prehistoric and early historical material culture and life forms. -- Specialisation

### Intended learning outcomes

Students acquire detailed knowledge of selected methods, cultural science theories and research-historical issues of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology. They develop an understanding of systematic, cultural and historical contexts; Archaeological methodology; Theory; Communication techniques. -- Specialisation

### Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

### Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)

presentation (60 to 75 minutes) with position paper (2 to 3 pages)

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Students will be provided with knowledge of selected topic areas of scientific auxiliary sciences and EDP applications of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology: Students will independently work on and practice the systematic basics of scientific analysis methods as well as computer-assisted data processing and analysis. -- Specialisation

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students develop an understanding of scientific methods and the ability to apply specific EDP applications to the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology; They acquire basics of scientific work; Archaological methodology. - Specialisation

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)

a) written examination (60 minutes) or b) presentation (60 to 75 minutes) with position paper (2 to 3 pages)

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

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**Referred to in LPO I** (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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Module title | Abbreviation
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Source Materials for Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology - Specialisation 1 | 04-VFG-AQS1-112-m01

Module coordinator | Module offered by
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holder of the Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology | Chair of Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology

ECTS | Method of grading | Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
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Duration | Module level | Other prerequisites
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1 semester | graduate | Admission prerequisite to assessment: logs (10 pages) and presentation (60 to 75 minutes) with position paper (2 to 3 pages).

Contents
Students will be provided with selected types of sources concerning the Prehistory and Early History of Archaeology: They will acquire detailed knowledge of different findings (such as settlements, tombs, hoards (wealth deposits) etc.) and of archaeological findings (such as pottery, stone tools, bronzes etc.) as well as of specific analysis strategies of source genres; The current state of research and methodological critique will be taken into account. -- Specialisation 1

Intended learning outcomes
Students acquire detailed knowledge of the characteristics and developments concerning selected source material of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology; Students will independently work on archaeological issues and deal critically with current research issues; Classification of the Prehistoric and Early Historical Archaeology; Communication techniques. -- Specialisation 1

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
V + S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)
term paper (20 to 25 pages)

Allocation of places
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Additional information
Additional information on module duration: 1 to 2 semesters.

Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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