

Course Information Sheet for entry in 2018-19

Science and Engineering for Arts, Heritage and Archaeology (EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training)



About the course

The Science and Engineering for Arts, Heritage and Archaeology (SEAHA) Centre for Doctoral Training trains students in the emerging field of heritage science, which develops scientific and engineering skills to understand, interpret, conserve and manage cultural heritage.

All SEAHA students begin the course by doing the one-year MRes SEAHA at University College London (UCL), and then continue with three years of doctoral studies at UCL (materials stream), University of Oxford (environmental stream) or the University of Brighton (digital stream).

The MRes course has a pronounced research element, and students are recruited to SEAHA to specific research projects chosen in advance, initiated during the MRes year and completed during the doctoral phase. The SEAHA website lists projects available for the coming year.

The MRes offers a number of modules that can be chosen to suit the training needs and the needs of the project, in agreement with project supervisors before enrolment. You will have tripartite supervision, with a heritage organisation, industrial and academic partner all providing support and oversight. SEAHA projects apply a wide range of science and engineering approaches to understand, interpret, conserve and establish the origins of objects (in museums, libraries, archives and galleries or outside), buildings, monuments or sites (ruins, buried archaeology etc). In particular, environment stream projects develop innovative methods to observe, monitor, analyse and conserve heritage objects, buildings, monuments or sites as they interact with air, water, sediment and biology around them.

SEAHA students in Oxford participate in the School of Geography and the Environment's graduate training activities, and also experience the benefits of SEAHA cohort activities. Spreading throughout the four-year programme, SEAHA cohort activities include short courses, often in collaboration with project partners, invited lectures, public engagement events, career events, and residential events.

Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver this course in accordance with the description set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

Expected length of course

4 years

Costs

Annual fees for entry in 2018-19

During the first year of the course you will be charged fees by University College London. Further information about UCL's fee rates can be found on the institution's website.

In each subsequent year of study at the University of Oxford, you will be charged tuition and college fees at Oxford's fee rate for that year of study. For an indication of costs, the table below shows the estimated annual tuition and college fees for the 2019-20 academic year at the University of Oxford. Please be aware that these fees will increase annually.

Estimated annual fees for the 2019-20 academic year at Oxford

Fee status	Estimated tuition fee	Estimated college fee	Total estimated annual fees
Home/EU (including Islands)	c. £14,510	c. £3,236	c. £17,746
Overseas	c. £20,715	c. £3,236	c. £23,951

Tuition and college fees are payable for the duration of your fee liability (your fee liability is the length of time for which you are required to pay tuition and college fees). Fees will usually increase annually. Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Graduate students who have reached the end of their standard period of fee liability may be required to pay a termly University and/or a college continuation charge.

The University continuation charge, per term for entry in 2018-19 is £468, please be aware that this will increase annually. For part-time students, the termly charge will be half of the termly rate payable by full-time students.

If a college continuation charge applies (not applicable for non-matriculated courses) it is likely to be in the region of £100 to £400 per term. Please contact your college for more details.

Students admitted to this CDT are enrolled on the MRes in Science and Engineering in Arts, Heritage and Archaeology at University College London for their first year and are liable during that period for fees at that university's fee rates. Subject to meeting the progression criteria, those students who are then enrolled by the University of Oxford are liable for a further 9 terms of fees at the University of Oxford.

Additional cost information

There are no compulsory elements of this course that entail additional costs beyond fees (or, after fee liability ends, continuation charges) and living costs. However, please note that, depending on your choice of research topic and the research required to complete it, you may incur additional expenses, such as travel expenses, research expenses, and field trips. You will need to meet these additional costs, although you may be able to apply for small grants from your department and/or college to help you cover some of these expenses.

Living costs

In addition to your tuition and college fees, you will need to ensure that you have adequate funds to support your living costs for the duration of your course.

Please consult the University College London website for further information about living costs while studying at that institution.

The likely living costs for 2018-19 are published below. These costs are based on a single, full-time graduate student, with no dependants, living in Oxford. We provide the cost per month so you can multiply up by the number of months you expect to live in Oxford.

	Likely living costs for 1 month		Likely living costs for 9 months		Likely living costs for 12 months	
	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range
Food	£258	£361	£2,318	£3,245	£3,090	£4,326
Accommodation	£536	£677	£4,824	£6,093	£6,432	£8,124
Personal items	£118	£263	£1,066	£2,364	£1,421	£3,152
Social activities	£41	£123	£369	£1,105	£492	£1,474
Study costs	£39	£85	£348	£765	£464	£1,020
Other	£22	£47	£202	£419	£269	£559
Total	£1,014	£1,556	£9,127	£13,991	£12,168	£18,655

When planning your finances for any future years of study at Oxford beyond 2018-19, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 3% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/livingcosts.