
MA/MSc Forensic Archaeology and Genocide Investigation



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This unique course explores contemporary issues connected to the detection and prevention of homicide, conflict and genocide. Students will learn about the evidence that mass violence leaves behind, as well as the cutting-edge forensic techniques used to locate and document it.

There is also the opportunity to gain real-world experience, working alongside staff from our Centre of Archaeology on active research projects and fieldwork investigations around Europe. For the MSc, the travel and accommodation costs for one investigative field trip are included in the course fees.

The course crosses disciplinary boundaries with sessions in archaeology, genocide studies, history, international relations, geography, forensics, media and film, computer games design and visualisation.

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Centre of Archaeology

Based at Staffordshire University, in Stoke-on-Trent, the Centre of Archaeology undertakes world-class research and teaching in forensic archaeology and genocide investigation, supported by cutting-edge equipment and facilities.

The internationally recognised research team consists of specialists in forensic and conflict archaeology, geophysical methods, archaeological excavation, photogrammetry and laser scanning, and ethical approaches to genocide investigation.

Their expertise lies in Holocaust and forensic archaeology focusing particularly on the use of non-invasive techniques to investigate recent and historic crimes. The team is dedicated to advancing knowledge through active research and developing excellence in professional practice.



The team has been involved in several high-profile forensic cases in the UK and completed archaeological projects across Europe at many of the most important and notorious sites of genocide and conflict including Treblinka extermination and labour camp in Poland, Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in Germany, Semlin camp in Serbia, and Alderney in the Channel Islands.



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Meet the Team



Professor Caroline Sturdy Colls

Professor of Conflict Archaeology and Genocide Investigation and Centre Director

Caroline's pioneering research focuses on the application of interdisciplinary approaches to the investigation of Holocaust landscapes. She's a leading name in her field, receiving international media attention, through television documentaries and radio programmes in both Europe and the US, and has published an extensive collection of papers and books. In 2016, Caroline was awarded the European Archaeologist of the year by the European Archaeology Association (EAA).



Kevin Colls

Associate Professor of Archaeology and Archaeological Project Manager

Kevin has over 20 years' experience in research and professional archaeology, directing and publishing archaeological projects throughout the UK and Europe. His specialist subjects include archaeological field techniques, urban archaeology and forensic archaeology. He's worked on many forensic research projects associated with the Holocaust and has also helped to discover more about the life of Shakespeare.



William Mitchell

Lecturer in Archaeology and Project Archaeologist

William has worked on several forensic research projects through Europe and his specialist subjects include urban, medieval and industrial archaeology, community-based projects and forensic archaeology. He's developed his specialism of using non-invasive geophysical techniques in the search and recovery of buried remains.

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