Module Details

Module Title: Analysis of Human Remains
Module Code: ARC7008-B
Academic Year: 2019-20
Credit Rating: 20
School: School of Archaeological and Forensic Sciences
Subject Area: Archaeology
FHEQ Level: FHEQ Level 7 (Masters)
Pre-requisites:
Co-requisites:

Contact Hours

Type | Hours
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Lectures | 12
Seminar | 4
Laboratory | 37
Directed Study | 147

Availability

Occurrence | Location / Period
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BDA | University of Bradford / Semester 1 (Sep - Jan)

Module Aims

To provide the student with an understanding of the analysis of human skeletal remains by appreciating theoretical and practical issues studied through lecture and laboratory sessions.

Outline Syllabus

Cremated remains. Skeletal taphonomy and the issue of biased samples.

### Learning Outcomes

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<td>1</td>
<td>Review the analysis of human skeletal remains within a bio-cultural context.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Identify human remains (both adult and non-adult) to an advanced level.</td>
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<td>Analyse and interpret morphological and metrical characteristics.</td>
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<td>Critically assess data drawn from a wide variety of sources.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate report writing skills.</td>
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### Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Lectures cover theoretical issues and their content which are assessed in the skeletal report and group presentation. Laboratories develop practical skills which are assessed in the skeletal report; opportunity for detailed skeletal analyses is provided within the hours of directed study. Formative feedback given in lab sessions, summative feedback provided over Canvas, with opportunity to discuss with module leader. Students will use Directed Study for reading of literature detailed in the module documentation; and for researching and preparing for coursework.

### Mode of Assessment

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### Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit [https://bradford.r1.talis.com/index.html](https://bradford.r1.talis.com/index.html).

Please note:

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