

CLASSICS & ANCIENT HISTORY

Overview

Graduates from this discipline choose careers in a wide variety of sectors including business, consulting, management, marketing, advertising, PR, Government, intelligence services, charities and as well as education and working in museums.

If you are considering postgraduate study, you may choose to study Master's or PhDs in subjects related to your degree as this can be a first step in pursuing an academic career e.g. Classical Archaeology. Other graduates opt for more vocational yet still subject-relevant courses (generally at master's level) such as Museum Studies or Records and Archive Management. Further study and relevant experience will also be needed for a move into a particular profession such as law, teaching, librarianship or journalism.

Roles

Each job title links through to a broad job description, salary and conditions, entry requirements, typical recruiters and links to further, pre-assessed useful information. The following profiles are available on Prospects (www.prospects.ac.uk).

- [Academic Librarian](#)
- [Intelligence Analyst](#)
- [Curator](#)
- [Social Researcher](#)
- [Marketing Executive](#)
- [Newspaper Journalist](#)
- [Commissioning Editor](#)
- [Marketing Executive](#)
- [Civil Service Fast Streamer](#)
- [Conservator](#)
- [Heritage Manager](#)
- [Government Social Research Officer](#)
- [Charity Officer](#)
- [Community Development Worker](#)
- [Public Relations Officer](#)

Finding Opportunities

Many of the links above have information about where to find vacancies, work experience, placements and what employers are looking for in their new graduate recruits. Some of the roles listed will require further study, if not immediately but perhaps later to break past an initial entry post e.g. libraries, journalism, museums, law, researcher etc. Some jobs require a more creative job search as they either don't have the funds to advertise widely (e.g. charities) or to deal with the hordes of applications from interested people e.g. publishing and PR.

- For legal careers look at lawcareers.net
- Civil Service roles at civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk

- Intelligence Analyst careers on prospects.ac.uk
- Community development roles are often available in Local Government so head to [Local Government Jobs \(lgjobs.com\)](https://localgovernmentjobs.com) or jobsqopublic.com, and see the [NGDP scheme](#)
- For journalism you may well need to take a postgraduate conversion course accredited by the [National Council for the Training of Journalists \(nctj.com\)](https://nctj.com)
- For publishing see jobs.thebookseller.com
- See prospects.ac.uk for further details on roles in [business, consulting and management](#) and information on [marketing, advertising and PR](#) and careers in [media](#)

To investigate further study head to the prospects.ac.uk/postgraduate-study for taught courses and PhDs and findamasters.com for taught master's courses, and [FindaPhD.com](https://findaphd.com) for PhD opportunities.

Building Experience

Use any opportunities you can on campus, (and locally) to gain experience that will help you – for example [Reading Voluntary Action](#) and [RUSU](#) can help you get experience that will help for the not-for-profit sector and student media opportunities can help with journalistic experience.

Exploring Further

- For information on museums and galleries head to the artscouncil.org.uk website and the museumsassociation.org/workforce.
- To find out about volunteering at the University's museum try contacting [MERL](#); MERL has also produced a series of YouTube videos on [careers in museums and archives](#).
- For jobs within charities, public sector and NGOs try jobsqopublic.com.
- To find publishers to approach for work experience or vacancies try publishers.org.uk.
- lawsociety.org.uk gives a great overview of legal careers.
- Find ethical jobs at ethical-jobs.co.uk.
- For jobs in international development, try thirdsector.co.uk/jobs/international-development.
- campaignlive.co.uk/jobs for jobs in media.

The skills and knowledge you have gained in your degree will be valuable in a wide range of roles and job sectors. If you are not sure what you want or want to explore other roles but aren't sure where to start why not visit the [Explore](#) pages of our website or book an appointment with one of our Career Consultants?

