Below is an overview of the kinds of employment sectors, organisations and professions that recent Classics and Ancient History postgraduates have entered, based on responses to ‘Destinations of Leavers’ surveys conducted six months after graduation.

Popular employment sectors
- Defence activities
- Fund management activities
- Library and archive activities
- Investigation activities
- Landscape service activities
- Member organisations
- Regulation of activities providing health care, education, cultural and social services
- Tertiary education

Range of employers
- AoC Archaeology group
- Big Heritage (social enterprise)
- Blakesley Hall Museum
- British Army
- City and Borough councils
- English Heritage
- KPMG
- Manchester Metropolitan University
- National Roads Authority
- National Trust
- Sotheby’s
- University of Birmingham

Typical occupations
- Ancient Greek Tutor
- Archaeological Advisor
- Conservation Officer
- Cultural Resources Manager
- Curator
- Field Archaeologist
- Heritage Access Officer
- Lecturer
- Library Assistant
- Research Facilitator
- Post-Doctoral Researcher

My undergraduate degree in Ancient History encouraged me to pursue a career in the Museums and Heritage sector. I felt that a Masters degree combined with relevant work experience which I am currently undertaking would provide me with the opportunity to develop key skills to aid a future career in this field. It is due to the relevant experience I have obtained academically and within the sector that led me to acquire an internship at the British Museum. The internship introduced me to the inner workings of a vibrant organization and how teams work together to research and produce exhibitions.

One particular aspect of the course that has been truly beneficial are the flexible contact hours. This has allowed me to undertake a part time job to help fund my studies and also volunteer in local museums in order to gain more experience about the sector I wish to have a future career in. Furthermore, I have also enjoyed the way the course operates, which is mainly seminar-based. This allows you to debate on matters and engage with your peers and tutors more efficiently to allow for creative discussion and fun and interactive sessions.

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