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A4ACH002C

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[Gifted Programme]

Archaeology Course (Level IV)

Discover Underwater Archaeology and Artefact Restoration (Phase 2)

Institute of Hong Kong Underwater Archaeology Research



Application Deadline
23 Mar 2026 12:00 noon

Result Release
27 Mar 2026

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the gifted programme, gifted students should be able to:

1. describe Chinese shipwreck, shipbuilding technology, trading ports and the significance of Maritime Silk Road;
2. illustrate diving theory and equipment;
3. outline underwater archaeological excavation in real practice; and
4. enhance analytical skills and national awareness.

◆ Gifted Programme Introduction

This programme will lead students on an in-depth exploration of the world of underwater archaeology, lifting the veil on the professional field of artefact conservation from theoretical foundations to practical techniques. In Phase 1, students were introduced to the basic theories of Chinese underwater archaeology, as well as practical skills such as underwater archaeological photography and artefact illustration.

Here we go to Phase 2, students will have the chance to see local artefacts in person and learn the stories behind them. They will also be able to go out to sea to observe live demonstrations of underwater archaeological procedures at close range, gaining a deeper understanding of the challenges involved in underwater archaeological work.

The course consists of **THREE phases**, and this is the 2nd phase. Participants who perform outstandingly will be given priority in entering the third phase, which includes a special underwater archaeology diving experience. Selection for each phase will be based on students' performance. Phase 3 is **tentatively scheduled** as below:

every Wed & Sat from 4 Jul to 5 Aug 2026

◆ Schedule

Session	Date	Time	Theme	Venue
1	11 Apr 2026		^Archaeology Talk (Level II): Trade & Cultural Exchange Along Maritime Silk Road (A2ACH003T)	HKAGE
2	18 Apr	9:30a.m. – 12:30p.m.	Hong Kong and Maritime Silk Road (A)	MTR Sung Wong Toi Station & Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre
3	25 Apr		Shipwreck archaeology	HKAGE
4	2 May		Ancient Chinese ship types	Hong Kong Maritime Museum
5	9 May	9:00a.m. – 4:00p.m.	Demonstration of diving equipment use and sonar scanning	Sai Kung at sea
6	16 May	9:30a.m. – 12:30p.m.	Diving and Underwater Archaeology	HKAGE

[^]This talk is part of the course; students do not need to apply separately.

◆ Suitable for

- S2 to S6 HKAGE student members in 2025/26 school year
- Class size: 25
- Priority will be given to members who have participated in A4ACH001C

◆ Pre-requisite

No special prerequisites are needed.

◆ Medium of Instruction

Cantonese (Supplemented by Putonghua) with Chinese handouts.

◆ Screening

Please answer the screening question in the online application form.

*The screening question is designed to help the applicant understand the course level and the course content. The question must be answered by the student applicant and it can only be attempted once. The answer cannot be changed once the application is submitted. Selection is based on students' performance in answering the question. Only students who can demonstrate motivation and the knowledge of Archaeology in the screening question can be enrolled in the programme

◆ Certificate

E-Certificate will be awarded to gifted students who have:

- attended at least 4 sessions (*Including A2ACH003T); and
- completed all the assignments with satisfactory performance