



## Archaeology Scotland's Student Prize, 2021

Archaeology Scotland are delighted to announce that, thanks to a generous anonymous donation, we are running a competition to give recognition to excellence in written work on Scottish archaeology produced in the 2020–21 academic year. The awards are for work by undergraduates and postgraduates at Scottish universities and their objective is to reward excellence in the face of all the challenges posed by the Coronavirus pandemic.

### The categories are as follows:

1. Best undergraduate dissertation by a full time or part time matriculated student
2. Best taught postgraduate dissertation by a full time or part time matriculated student

### Topic:

Any period of Scottish Archaeology up to AD 1707 (although dissertations that place the Scottish evidence in a wider context are acceptable). The scope of the work can encompass palaeoenvironmental topics and other archaeological science including osteology, but texts on the presentation or management of Scottish archaeology lie outside the remit of the competition.

### Entry submission:

Up to two entries in each of the categories will be accepted from each of the Universities where Scottish archaeology is taught. It is expected that senior staff will select these from the best pieces of work that have been examined in each of the categories. **Only University staff can submit entries** to Archaeology Scotland, with permission from the candidate students.

The entries are to be sent in .pdf form to Jennifer Thoms, Editor of Discovery and Excavation in Scotland - [j.thoms@archaeologyscotland.org.uk](mailto:j.thoms@archaeologyscotland.org.uk)

### Judging:

The judging panel will be chaired by the President of Archaeology Scotland.

### Deadline for submissions:

**UG Dissertation Prizes: 30 July 2021** – award will be at the Archaeology Scotland AGM in October 2021

**PGT Dissertation Prize: 15 December 2021** – award will be in Spring 2022

**Prize:** The winner of each category will receive an AS medal for excellence, a prize of £150 for archaeological books and one year's free membership of Archaeology Scotland. The winning dissertations will be published on the Archaeology Scotland website. The prize-winners will feature in our members' Magazine and will receive their prize at an Award ceremony, subject to COVID19 restrictions.