

COURSE

Introduction to Bioarchaeology

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The Malcolm H. Wiener Laboratory for Archaeological Science of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens is offering an intensive week-long course in bioarchaeology to introduce participants to the analysis of human skeletal remains from archaeological contexts. Dr. Ioanna Moutafi, of the Institut für Vor- und Frühgeschichtliche Archäologie und Provinzialrömische Archäologie, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München and expert in bioarchaeology and Aegean prehistory, will lead the course with assistance from Dr. Dimitris Michailidis, an anthropologist/paleontologist and Manager of the Wiener Laboratory. Human bones are a unique strand of archaeological evidence, as they provide a vast array of both biological and cultural information about life and death in the past. This course will offer theoretical and basic technical skills for the analysis and interpretation of human remains, through lectures, seminars and interactive hands-on practical sessions. The objective is to familiarize participants with all aspects of the human skeleton and the different insights they can offer us into the past.

**We will provide guidance and support to course participants to help them independently arrange their accommodation.*

The course will explore key themes in bioarchaeology, such as Human skeletal anatomy - bone identification; Estimation of sex and age-at-death; Skeletal variation; Dealing with commingled human remains; Paleopathology; Nutrition and diet; Current biomolecular advances (a-DNA, stable isotopes); Bones in context: social bioarchaeology and funerary archaeology.

A maximum of 12 participants will be accepted for the course. Preference is given to graduate and advanced undergraduate students with an interest in archaeological science, bioarchaeology, and funerary archaeology. The course is also ideal for professional archaeologists or museum curators who may occasionally need to work with human remains. This course is not geared toward people with significant experience in human osteology or bioarchaeology. No prior experience in human osteology is required.

DATES:	June 16-20, 2025
TRAINING FEE:	500 euros (*accommodations not included)
LEARN MORE:	https://www.ascsa.edu.gr/programs/wl-bioarchaeology-course
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