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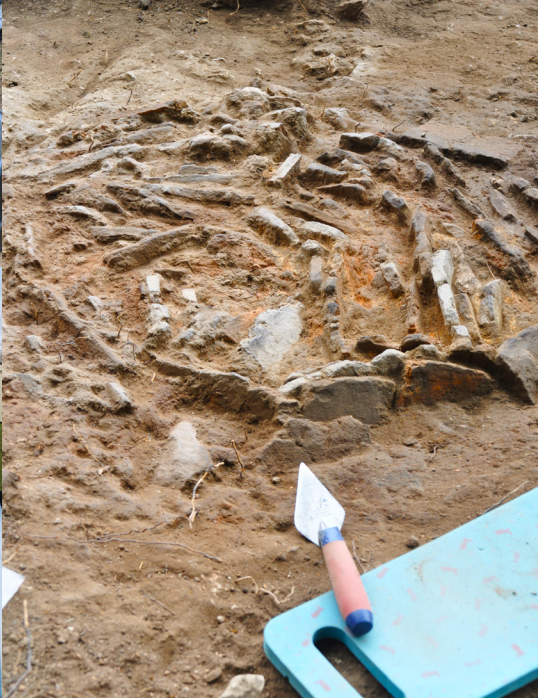
**ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL
2022 | THE LAWN, LINCOLN
Monday 20th June – Friday 15th July**



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ABOUT US

Bishop Grosseteste University (BGU) began life in 1862 as an Anglican teacher training college for women and in 2012 we were awarded full university status. The Archaeology Team at BGU is a vibrant community of staff and students. Our research ranges from prehistory to the present day, from Britain to Europe and further afield. We have been organising highly successful and incredibly popular Archaeological Field Schools for a number of years. For our 2022 season, we are excited to announce that we will be running an excavation in the heart of historic Lincoln.

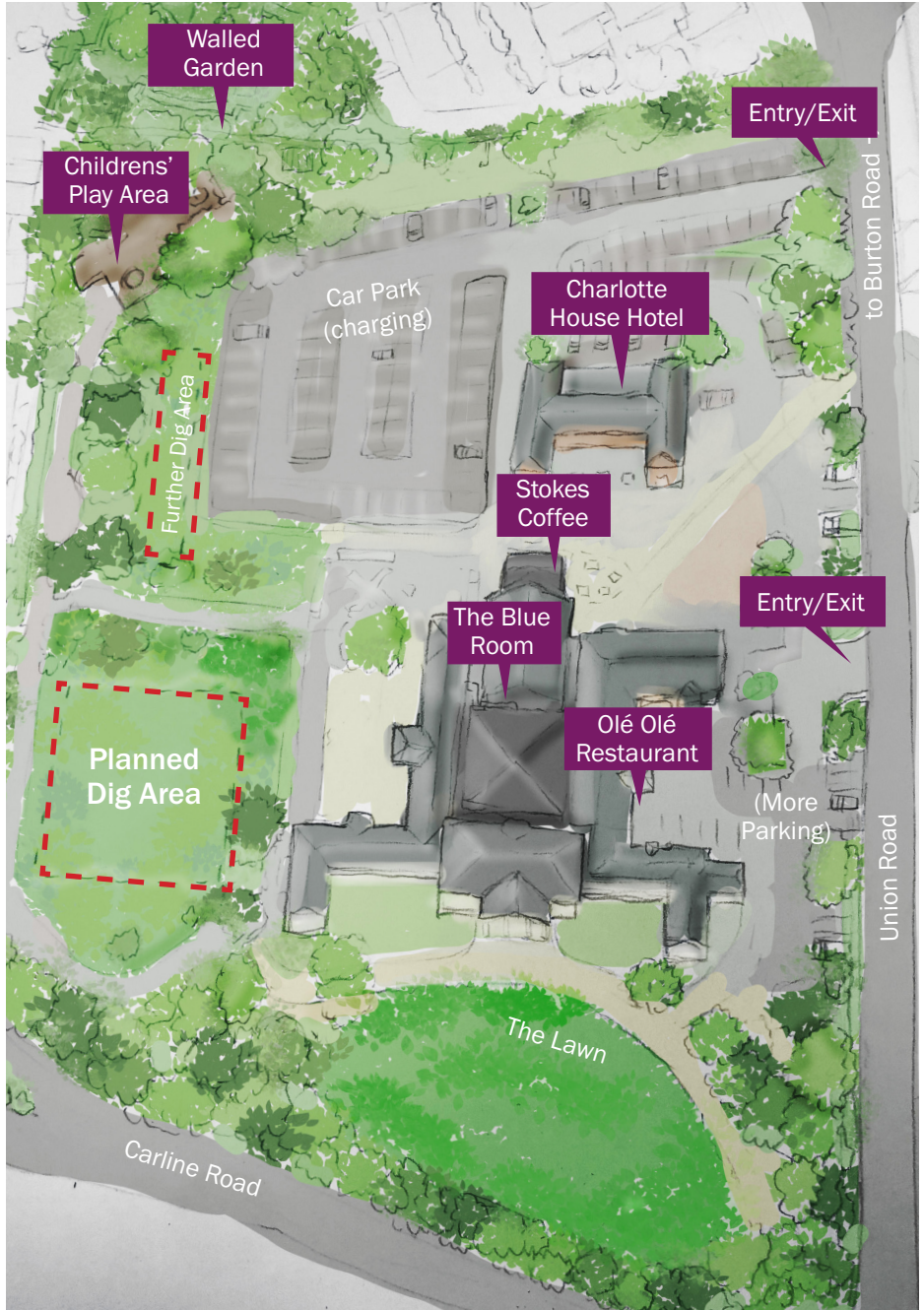
THE SITE

The Lawn is an important site in the heart of historic Lincoln which has previously only been subjected to small-scale excavations. Located 150m to the west of Lincoln's former Roman and Medieval upper walled city, the site sits on the edge of the limestone ridge that overlooks the Witham Valley. Small-scale excavations in the grounds of The Lawn were undertaken in the 1980s, and they uncovered evidence of possible pre-Roman activity in the area. Additionally, a small Roman urn excavated from the site in the mid-nineteenth century indicates that there might be a Roman cemetery at The Lawn. Two possible Roman roads, large assemblages of first- and second-century pottery and other Roman finds from pits and dumps were also uncovered nearby. The finds from the 1980s excavations at The Lawn also suggest that this site could provide important archaeological evidence for the transition from the Roman to the Early Medieval period.

St Bartholomew's Church, once located in the grounds of The Lawn, but no longer visible on the site, was first recorded in the twelfth century. In the 1980s, part of the church wall, the graveyard, and a bell-casting pit were uncovered. In the late medieval period, the area was used for carrying out judicial sentences including trials by combat. The site then became open fields until the early-nineteenth century when a 'lunatic asylum', known as The Lawn, was constructed in 1819. In the 1830s, Robert Gardiner Hill and Edward Parker Charlesworth, whilst working at the asylum, were important pioneers in the treatment of patients without the use of physical restraints.

The Field School is a rare and exciting opportunity to participate in an archaeological excavation in the heart of historic Lincoln.





ACCREDITATION

BGU's Archaeology Field School is a fully accredited 4-week course that offers 20 academic credits or 10 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits. The field school will deliver training in field archaeology and excavation skills, post-excavation finds processing, and recording data. All teaching and training will be delivered by expert archaeologists and fully qualified site supervisors, overseen by a Director of Training and Welfare. Further details about how to gain the transferable credits will be made available to participants prior to the field school.

ARCHAEOLOGY SKILLS PASSPORT

The Archaeology Skills Passport was developed by the British Archaeological Jobs and Resources (BAJR) and contains a record of an individual's archaeological skills and experience. All participants will be provided with their own Archaeological Skills Passport if requested. The Passport splits archaeological competences into individual tasks and activities. When you have completed these tasks and been observed by one of our fully qualified staff, they will be signed off in your own Skills Passport.

The Archaeology Skills Passport is endorsed by the Archaeology Training Forum (ATF), the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIFA) and several commercial archaeology units.

Visit www.archaeologyskills.co.uk for further information.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Duration: The field school will last four weeks from Monday 20 June 2022 through to Friday 15 July 2022. You can book onto our field school for an Accredited 20 credit module (4 weeks) or for the Archaeological Excavation and Survey course (2 weeks) as either a residential or non-residential participant (see p.10).

Affiliation location: Bishop Grosseteste University, Longdales Road, Lincoln, Lincolnshire, England, LN1 3DY

Timetable: The digging week begins on a Monday with full days in the field through to Friday. Weekends and evenings will be free time for participants. Working days run from 09.00 to 16.30 with a break for lunch and tea breaks throughout the day (see p.11).

Field School Equipment: Please bring your own trowel, gloves, water bottle, notepad, and stationery (further details will be circulated to those who book to attend the field school). All other equipment and materials will be provided.

Clothing: When onsite you will need to wear comfortable clothing that is suitable for being on an archaeological site, sturdy shoes and layers that are suitable for both hot and cold conditions as well as wet weather. As you be outside for most of the day, you will need to bring a sunhat and sunscreen.



Onsite Facilities: There will be toilet facilities onsite. We will provide tea and coffee making facilities. You will need to bring your own food and water with you to site each day.

Local Facilities: The Lawn is in the heart of uphill Lincoln, with café and restaurant facilities nearby. There are also a range of shops selling food and essential supplies within walking distance of the site.

Fitness Requirements: All participants will need to have an up-to-date tetanus injection prior to attending. There are no set minimum fitness expectations for the excavation. We undertake an inclusive approach to make the field school accessible to participants with a diversity of needs. Please get in touch with us to discuss your circumstances.

Discounts: We will be able to provide a number of discounts for members of the armed forces, emergency services, and NHS. Please get in touch if you would like to find out more.



ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

There are a variety of different places to stay in Lincoln from luxury hotels, to quaint bed and breakfasts, or even campsites. However, if you decided to stay with us at BGU then you will be accommodated in the Constance Stewart Halls. Each room is equipped with its own washbasin, wardrobe, shelving, desk with chair and easy chair, 2 electric sockets and bed with underneath storage. On the ground floor are fully accessible bedroom and bathroom facilities. Each floor is provided with communal kitchens with living areas, all fully fitted with microwave, cooker, fridge, freezer and communal seating.

All accommodation is self-catering, and food will not be provided. Tea and coffee making facilities will be provided, but you must bring drinking water and a packed lunch to the site each day.

If you would like to arrange your own accommodation, please see Visit Lincoln's website for recommendations: www.visitlincoln.com/stay/



COURSE FEES

Course	Dates	Non-Residential	BGU Residential	Deposit
Accredited 20 credit module (4 weeks)	Monday 20 June – Friday 15 July 2022	£1,950	£2,846 (Sunday 19 June – Saturday 16 July 2022)	£500
Archaeological Excavation and Survey (2 weeks)	Monday 20 June – Friday 1 July 2022	£1,250	£1,698 (Sunday 19 June – Saturday 2 July 2022)	£250
Archaeological Excavation and Survey (2 weeks)	Monday 4 July – Friday 15 July 2022	£1,250	£1,698 (Sunday 3 July – Saturday 16 July 2022)	£250

A limited number of places are available, so early booking is advisable.

We will be able to provide a number of discounts for members of the Armed Forces, Emergency Services, and NHS. Adults accompanying children aged 14 to 17 will receive a 50% discount on their non-residential course fee.

HOW TO REGISTER

For more information and to register your place at the field school visit our website www.bishopg.ac.uk/archaeology-field-school-2022 or get in touch via email at archaeology@bishopg.ac.uk.

Upon receiving an offer of a place on the BGU 2022 Field School, you will be asked to **pay a deposit to secure your place**. The balance of the fees will then be in due in **April 2022**.

DAILY TIMETABLE

08.30 – 09.00	Arrive on site
09.00 – 09.30	Morning briefing by Site Director; prepare for the day's work
09.30 – 11.00	Excavation / finds processing / surveying etc.
11.00 – 11.15	Mid-morning tea break
11.15 – 12.45	Excavation / finds processing / surveying etc.
12.45 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 14.45	Excavation / finds processing / surveying etc.
14.45 – 15.00	Mid-afternoon tea break
15.00 – 16.00	Excavation / finds processing / surveying etc.
16.00 – 16.30	Pack-up site
16.30	Leave site

Depending on personal circumstances, this timetable can be made more flexible. We have experience supporting people with a diversity of needs. Please get in touch with us prior to booking your place to discuss your circumstances.

HOW TO GET TO BGU FOR RESIDENTIAL PARTICIPANTS





Lincoln is a small, historic city situated in the East Midlands region of England. It is within easy reach of other nearby cities such as Nottingham and Sheffield, and it is only one hour away from the coast.

BGU campus is located in uphill Lincoln, in the Cathedral Quarter of the city, and it is only a 10-minute walk from Lincoln Cathedral, the historic castle and the boutique shops on Steep Hill and in Bailgate. The site of the field school is only a 10-minute drive from BGU campus.

There are a number of international airports within a couple of hours of Lincoln including Humberside Airport, Doncaster Sheffield Airport, East Midlands Airport, Manchester Airport, London Stansted, London Heathrow, and London Gatwick.

There is only one train station in Lincoln, Lincoln Central, which is conveniently located between Lincoln's High Street and the Central Bus Station.

If you are driving or taking a taxi to campus, our postcode is **LN1 3DY**. The entrance to the main car park is on Longdales Road.

-  Hire Bike Lincoln Station
-  Bus Stops
-  Bus route 8 (to BG)
-  Bus route 7 (from BG)

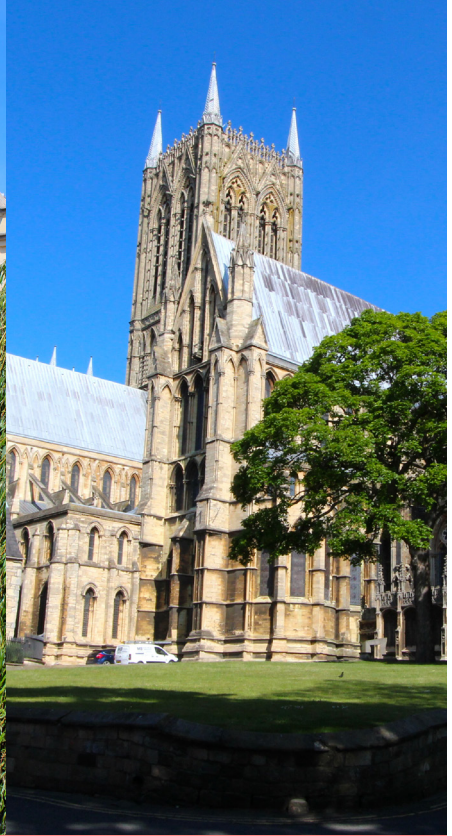


WHAT TO DO IN LINCOLN

Lincoln is a truly unique city and has been a key player during most periods of history. There is evidence of Roman, Medieval, Victorian, and wartime occupation across the city. In recent years, the city has matured into a thriving cultural hotspot – a heady mixture of old and new, historic and contemporary, traditional and cutting edge.

The city is really easy to navigate and is essentially split into two halves, linked by the aptly named Steep Hill. Do not be put off by this though – it might be steep but it's well worth the walk, as there are many independent and quirky shops to make the journey easier. In fact, Steep Hill itself is a recent winner of Britain's Best Street Award due to its uniqueness and range of wonderful boutiques. Within the Cathedral Quarter, uphill, lies the more historic side of the city, with its beautiful cobbled streets, cosy tea rooms, the majestic Cathedral (third largest in the UK), the magnificent hilltop Castle (one of only two castles in the UK to have two Norman keeps) and of course, the leafy BGU Campus.





Downhill is the more modern city centre where you will find the busy High Street. Here, large international brands sit side by side with local retailers, giving plenty of choice to the discerning shopper. Lincoln's numerous cafes, restaurants and coffee shops will give you the much-needed time to sit and relax after a busy day of shopping and exploring. Further south into the city is the Brayford Waterfront standing on the banks of the River Witham. You can take a tour of the city by boat or just sit and watch the world go by in one of the many bars or restaurants overlooking the water.

To find out what there is to do in Lincoln, please see Visit Lincoln's website: visitlincoln.com

HEALTH AND SAFETY AND COVID-19 POLICIES

We take site safety very seriously. A risk assessment has been completed for each principal activity, which will be made available in advance and it is a requirement that you read and sign it. You will also be given instructions in safe working practices on site and you are required to comply with them.

In response to Covid-19, we have developed guidelines for how the Field School will be run. Based on best practice, our policies are designed to keep participants, our staff, and the local community, safe and healthy. A full Covid-19 risk assessment will be provided to all participants in advance of the field school and the measures in place to ensure everyone's safety on site.

INCLUSIVE ARCHAEOLOGY

At BGU we believe archaeology is for everybody and we strive to make the field school as accessible as possible to people with a diversity of needs. As BGU Field School participants, in addition to receiving practical archaeological skills training, we aim to use the archaeology of the site to promote mental and physical wellbeing. Please get in touch to discuss your individual circumstances. We will work with you to find ways for you to get involved.

FAQS

How do I get to the Field School?

Participants will be expected to make their own way to the field school site. Further information on exact times and meeting points will be sent to participants prior to the start of the field school.

In what language is the course taught?

The course will be taught in English.

Do I have to have prior experience of field work to participate in the field school?

No, the field school is suitable for all levels of experience, from beginners onwards.

Is there a minimum age for participants?

We are able to accept children from the age of 14 to 17 as long as they are accompanied by a responsible adult at all times. The accompanying adult will receive a 50% discount on their non-residential course fee.

I have mobility issues, will I be able to participate?

We aim to make the field school as accessible as possible and we have extensive experience supporting a diversity of needs. Please get in touch to discuss your individual circumstances.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at: archaeology@bishopg.ac.uk

Notes

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