

**National Student Survey, 2005-09**  
**Results for Queen's University Belfast**  
**Full-time, first degree students**  
**Subject:**  
**(all scores out of a maximum of 5.0)**

**Archaeology**

| Year | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
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|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>Population</b>    | 33  | 42  | 49  | 50  | 48  |
| <b>Respondents</b>   | 23  | 31  | 32  | 30  | 35  |
| <b>Response Rate</b> | 70% | 74% | 65% | 60% | 73% |

**The teaching on my course**

|  |            |            |            |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Staff are good at explaining things.                 | 4.7        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.4        | 4.2        |
| Staff have made the subject interesting.             | 4.6        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.3        | 4.1        |
| Staff are enthusiastic about what they are teaching. | 4.7        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.4        | 4.4        |
| The course is intellectually stimulating.            | 4.5        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.4        | 4.1        |
|  | <b>4.6</b> | <b>4.3</b> | <b>4.2</b> | <b>4.4</b> | <b>4.2</b> |

**Assessment and feedback**

|  |            |            |            |            |            |
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| The criteria used in marking have been clear in advance.               | 4.3        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 3.7        | 3.7        |
| Assessment arrangements and marking have been fair.                    | 4.4        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        |
| Feedback on my work has been prompt.                                   | 3.1        | 3.5        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        |
| I have received detailed comments on my work.                          | 4.1        | 3.7        | 3.5        | 3.9        | 3.6        |
| Feedback on my work has helped me clarify things I did not understand. | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.5        | 3.6        | 3.5        |
|  | <b>3.9</b> | <b>3.8</b> | <b>3.7</b> | <b>3.8</b> | <b>3.7</b> |

**Academic support**

|  |            |            |            |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| I have received sufficient advice and support with my studies. | 4.4        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.8        |
| I have been able to contact staff when I needed to.            | 4.8        | 4.4        | 4.2        | 4.3        | 4.1        |
| Good advice was available when I needed to make study choices. | 4.3        | 4.0        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        |
|  | <b>4.5</b> | <b>4.1</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>3.9</b> |

**Organisation and management**

|   |            |            |            |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| The timetable works efficiently as far as my activities are concerned.    | 4.4        | 3.9        | 4.5        | 4.2        | 4.1        |
| Any changes in the course or teaching have been communicated effectively. | 4.4        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.2        |
| The course is well organised and is running smoothly.                     | 4.3        | 4.1        | 3.9        | 4.4        | 3.9        |
|   | <b>4.4</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>4.2</b> | <b>4.2</b> | <b>4.0</b> |

| Year  | 2005       | 2006       | 2007       | 2008       | 2009       |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Learning resources</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |
| The library resources and services are good enough for my needs.                        | 4.2        | 3.4        | 3.8        | 3.9        | 4.0        |
| I have been able to access general IT resources when I needed to.                       | 4.5        | 3.9        | 4.0        | 4.2        | 4.2        |
| I have been able to access specialised equipment, facilities or rooms when I needed to. | 4.2        | 3.7        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 4.0        |
|   | <b>4.3</b> | <b>3.7</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>4.1</b> |
| <b>Personal development</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |
| The course has helped me to present myself with confidence.                             | 4.2        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 4.1        | 4.0        |
| My communication skills have improved.  | 4.1        | 4.0        | 4.2        | 4.2        | 4.0        |
| As a result of the course, I feel confident in tackling unfamiliar problems.            | 4.2        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 4.0        | 4.1        |
|   | <b>4.2</b> | <b>3.9</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>4.1</b> | <b>4.0</b> |
| <b>Overall satisfaction</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |
| Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of the course.                                 | 4.7        | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.4        | 4.2        |
|   | <b>4.7</b> | <b>4.2</b> | <b>4.1</b> | <b>4.4</b> | <b>4.2</b> |