

IJK VAN HATTUM

PROFILE

IJK van Hattum is a PhD student at Ghent University. Her doctoral research focuses on the life ways and health status of first farmers of Belgium. She studies the human skeletal and dental remains found in Neolithic burials in caves, dolmen and the flint mines of Spiennes.

EDUCATION

MSc Osteology and Funerary Archaeology, Leiden University,
September 2012 — February 2015

Mastering the skills of physical anthropology to study the human past. A combination of extensive laboratory research and literature research. Average grade: 7.5

Thesis: "What's on the Menu?" Diet in Medieval Holland A stable carbon and nitrogen isotope analysis of bone "collagen" from early medieval Blokhuisen and late medieval Alkmaar.
Grade: 7.9

Trajectory:

I expanded my one-year master's to a two-year trajectory to develop skills in stable C & N isotope analysis, which I applied in my thesis. In addition, I studied at UCL as an Erasmus student, which extended the master's program by 6 months.

BA Archaeology, Leiden University,
September 2009 — June 2012

Archaeology of the Near East and Archaeology of Northwest Europe. Average grade: 8
Thesis: The worked bone assemblage of Tell Sabi Abyad, Syria. Grade: 8.5

Extracurricular, Erasmus Exchange, University College London
January 2014 — June 2014

A semester as an Erasmus exchange student in London, where I wanted to develop myself further in physical anthropology and dentition in archaeological contexts. The courses focused on a detailed introduction to the methodology used in the study of physical anthropology, pathology, and dental archaeology. I participated in the examination of the course Dental Anthropology (final grade 8,3). I sat in on the course paleopathology because this was already part of my curriculum at Leiden University.

BA, Honours College (30 EC)
2009 — 2012

The Honours College programme was meant for excelling students looking for an extra challenge, aimed at the further development of analytical thinking and conducting research in groups. With the programme, students earned 30 extra EC for their BA degree.

COURSES

Practical Human Anatomy course, Vrije Universiteit Medical Centre January 2013 — February 2013

Introduction to Physical Anthropology., LUMC, Leiden.
July 2010 — July 2010

Introduction into Coding in R, DAWN 2019
RESEARCH OUTPUT

2016

Presentation at the 22nd EAA Conference, Vilnius, Lithuania

A palaeopathological and isotopic approach to dietary changes in medieval Holland (Dr. Rachel Schats, IJk van Hattum, Dr. Andrea Waters-Rist).

2022

- Presentation at EUROPREH21, Portugal.

Neolithic human remains found in current Belgium's karstic caves, dolmen, and Neolithic mining shafts

- Journée de Préhistoire 2022, annual FNRS contact day, Leuven.

First insights into human mobility in Neolithic Belgium using strontium isotopic analysis and proteomics: A case study of Grotte de La Faucille (Sclayn, Prov. Namur, BE)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Coordinator ARCHON Research School of Archaeology at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam
October 2018 — Present

Seminar Assistant - Human Osteology at Leiden University
April 2019 — May 2019

An unpaid position, where I assisted Rachel Schats in teaching the BA2 Seminar Human Osteoarchaeology at Leiden University.

Lead copywriter & content manager at Healthy Workers, Amsterdam
July 2017 — September 2019

Content creator & manager at Better Health & Amber Albarda, Wassenaar January 2016 — September 2017

Practical Assistant (unpaid position) at Leiden University

January 2013 — February 2013

Assisting in ecology practicals for Bachelor students. Provide support for students during the bone analysis and assist during the corresponding assignments.

Junior Archaeologist at Hollandia Archeologen, Universiteit Leiden, Middenbeemster

June 2011 — July 2011

Assisting in the excavation of a graveyard in Middenbeemster. The tasks were: excavating, photographing, surveying and documenting human osteological and other finds.

TRAINEESHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

Field work assistant, Tinshemet Cave Excavation 2019

July 2019 — July 2019

Field work Assistant, Tinshemet Cave Excavation 2018

September 2018 — September 2019

Digital Content Creation, The Talent Institute, Amsterdam

June 2017 — December 2017

A program for research-driven and creative graduates with an interest in public outreach and copywriting. The traineeship comprised a month of course from experts in content creation & management and an internship of six months.

Intern exhibition developer, Rijksmuseum van Oudheden

June 2011 — April 2012

Creation of the temporary exhibition 'Leiden and the Archeology of the Near East' - a collaboration between Leiden University and the National Museum of Antiquities (RMO), Leiden. This project was assessed with a 7.8. My responsibilities • Design a part of the exhibition; search artifacts and material. • The valuation of artifacts and archaeological material. • Making posters, invitations, and flyers. • Writing texts for the exhibited artifacts and materials.

TEACHING AT UGENT

Academic year 2022-2023

- MA course Physical Anthropology - Guest lecture 'Dental Anthropology: an introduction'.

Academic year 2021-2022

- MA course Physical Anthropology - Guest lecture 'Reconstructing diet using stable isotopic analysis and dental anthropology'.

- BA course 'Archeometrie en fysische antropologie': assistant in the physical anthropology practicals.

Academic year 2020-2021

- MA course 'Fysische Antropologie: assistant in the physical anthropology practicals & online lesson molecular archaeology'.

- BA course 'Archeometrie en fysische antropologie': assistant in the physical anthropology practicals.

- Academic skills course II - supervision

REFERENCES

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Dr. Philip Verhagen from Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam