

TU Berlin – Institute for Architecture (IfA)

Application Information Winter Semester 2021/22

MASTER ARCHITECTURE TYPOLOGY

Selection process – What does that mean?

As a Master's program with a limited number of students, applicants are chosen through a selection process. The selection is based on the overall grade obtained in previous studies as well as on the results of a personal interview in connection with additional specific professional competencies acquired outside of an academic institution.

The interviews will probably be conducted via video conference. The date of the interviews will be announced with the beginning of application period.

IMPORTANT: The number of participants to interviews is limited, which means that you might not be invited to an interview even though all other admission requirements are sufficient. The overall grade is the main criteria at which applicants get ranked first. Considering the ranking of all grades, the selection committee decides which one will be the mark that limits the number of applicants getting invited to an interview.

Who can apply?

Condition for admission to M-ARCH-T is a bachelor's degree or equivalent diploma in the same or close course of studies. Upon receipt of the application, the examination board shall decide over the professional suitability of the candidates. However, civil engineering, urban planning, landscape architecture and interior design are in no case included in the closely related courses of studies suitable for admission.

How can you apply?

If you acquired your first university degree (for example a bachelor's) from our university or another German university or will graduate from there shortly, you can apply directly to TU Berlin.

If you studied at a foreign university, please apply via Uni-Assist.

Please inform yourself about these two ways to apply [here](#).

When can you apply?

The application period starts **April 1, 2021** and all applications are to be submitted by **May 15, 2021**. Information about the application period as well as lecture period can be find [here](#).

What are the semester fees?

The fees are regulated by the central administration of the TU Berlin. Information about the exact amount of the semester fees can be found only after registration to the program. However, it is around 307€ including public transportation ticket for the city area of Berlin. The information about semester fess can be found [here](#).

Which documents are necessary for the application?

1. Application form

The application forms can be found on the websites of respective platforms, depending on if you apply via Uni-Assist or TU Berlin.

2. Proof of professional first university degree

German or English copy (translated if needed) of a professional university degree (Bachelor, Diploma, Master's degree, State examination or equivalent), performance records (certificates, duration of study, final grade as well as individual transcript of records and achievement in the different exam modules) **or** copy of the overview of ECTS level, showing courses and grades with a summary of subjects and grades. [Click here](#) for more information. **And** a certificate of exmatriculation from the previous German University **or** current registration certificate of the present German University.

3. Evidence of language skills

Proof of English language knowledge (Minimum Certificates):

- [TOEFL iBT](#), 95
- [TOEFL ITP](#), 627
- [Cambridge English Proficiency](#) / [Cambridge English Advanced](#)
- [IELTS Academic](#), min. 7
- [PTE Academic](#), min. 76
- [UNIcert](#), Level III
- [English Certificate of ZEMS](#), C1 (in all areas of competence)
- [ZEMS EnglischLV](#), C1 (successfully completed with ECTS)

All certificates should not be older than 3 years.

Abitur certificate will be recognized if a CEFR level for English is indicated or the Abitur, Leistungskurs Englisch, is graded with at least 11/15 points

Proof documents are **not** needed for:

- Citizens of countries where English is the official language
- Applicants with a graduate diploma with English as the teaching language

4. Previous Studies in a Master's Program

If you already are or were enrolled for an Architecture Master Degree program in an institution for higher education, a change of university or a re-entry is possible, as well as for lateral entrants. In this case the following additional documents must be provided before the application deadline. Further information is provided by the student service in the section [application for a higher semester](#).

If applicable, a copy of:

- Proof of previous academic achievements in a Master program higher education framework law
- Study and examination regulations of the Master Degree Study
- Description of the previous study module
- Additional relevant proofs of the previous studies

5. Additional documents

Copy of passport (pages with personal data) for international applicants **or** Copy of Identity Card for German applicants

Current CV including school and higher education information, additional relevant activities and experience in connection with the studies.

Hand signed letter of motivation (approx. 1 DIN A-4 page). Please briefly explain why you wish to study at the TU Berlin. You can point out and describe special and professional qualifications related to TU Berlin focuses.

Further documents certifying specialist qualifications and relevant credentials, internships, vocational training, stays abroad, prizes and distinctions.

Work samples (Portfolio) from the first degree, 6 to 8 DIN A-4 pages. You can choose up to three design projects documenting your own structural and technical qualifications as well as strong creative and artistic design abilities. Please keep in mind the format requirements A4. A short text included in the 6-8 pages can be helpful.

For further information, please contact the team of the M-ARCH-T.

GOOD LUCK!