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## **TU Berlin – Institute for Architecture (IfA) Application Information, Winter Semester 2020/21**

### **MASTER URBAN DESIGN & URBAN DESIGN DUAL DEGREE**

#### **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 personal interviews with the selection of the applicants will take place on September 14-18, 2020. These dates have to be adhered to without fail! You will receive an email with a confirmation of the exact day and time for your interview on September 8, 2020. The interviews will be conducted via video conference.

**IMPORTANT: The number of participants to the selection procedure is limited, which means that you might not be invited to an interview even though all admission requirements are met.**

#### **Who can apply?**

Condition for admission to Urban Design is a bachelor's degree or equivalent diploma in architecture, urban and regional planning, landscape architecture or a closely related field of study. A program is closely related if at least 30 credits have been done in reference to the above mentioned fields. Of these 30 credits, 12 credits can be replaced with work experience in the mentioned fields. Upon receipt of the application, the audit committee shall decide over the professional suitability of the candidates.

#### **How can you apply?**

Students of the TU Berlin with a first university degree (bachelor's degree or architecture diploma) apply directly at [student service, office of student affairs, graduate admission](#).  
Every application via TU-Berlin must be submitted online.

All others, national and international, please proceed to the official uni-assist website (central German association for admission of international applications) for the application: [www.uni-assist.de](http://www.uni-assist.de).  
Every application via uni-assist must be submitted online.

For detailed information on the application process and the specific requirements for the application and each document please visit [the official website of TU Berlin](#).

#### **When can you apply?**

For the beginning of the winter semester, all applications are to be registered by **July 31, 2020**.

#### **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.

## Which documents are necessary for the application?

### 1. Application form

[Online application](#) from [uni-assist](#) (candidates with a first university degree not earned at TU Berlin) **or** direct application for Master Degree TU Berlin (TU students / graduates)

### 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](#), 87
- [TOEFL ITP](#), 543
- [Cambridge Certificate First \(FCE\)](#), min. B
- [IELTS Academic](#), min. 6,5
- [PTE Academic](#), min. 59
- [UNiCert](#), Level II
- [English Certificate of ZEMS](#), B2 (in all areas of competence)
- [ZEMS Englisch-LV](#), B2 (successfully completed with ECTS)

Abitur certificate: if a CEFR level for English is indicated, this will be recognised, if not:

- Abitur, Leistungskurs Englisch, at least 11/15 points
- Abitur, English at least 7 years attended, at least 11/15 points

Proof of documents are **not** needed for:

- >Citizens of countries with English as official language.
- >Applicants with a graduate diploma with English as 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 **and** current tabular overview of school and higher education, additional relevant activities and experience in connection with the studies.

### Additional documents to be submitted:

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.

**And** work samples from the first degree, 6 to 8 DIN A-4 pages. You can choose up to three projects related to the fields of architecture, urban planning, landscape architecture or a closely related field. Please keep in mind the format requirements A4. A short text included in the 6-8 pages can be helpful.

**IMPORTANT: FOR THE SELECTION PROCEDURE, PLEASE SUBMIT ALL DOCUMENTS AND WORK SAMPLES ONLY AS DIGITAL COPY.**

**PLEASE UPLOAD YOUR ORIGINAL CERTIFICATES AND TRANSCRIPTS WITH UNIVERSITY SEAL AND SIGNATURE. UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATES WITH ONLINE VERIFICATION ARE ALSO ACCEPTED.**

Please also note that the [lecture period for winter term 2020/21](#) has postponed to November 2, 2020.

## Application for the URBAN DESIGN DUAL DEGREE program

The four-semester program conducted at both universities (TUB and Tongji University), combines intercultural exchange between students and prepares them for working in an international environment. Graduates are awarded a *Master of Science in Urban Design* by TU Berlin and a *Master of Architecture* by Tongji University! During the second year of studies, which take place in Shanghai, students will receive a monthly scholarship of 1.075 € plus 35€ for insurance costs by the DAAD.

**In case you are interested in the Dual Degree Program, after you have applied through Uni-Assist for the Urban Design Program, please send the following documents by email to the [examination board](#) until July 31 as well.**

- CV
- Letter of Motivation
- English Certificate (simple copy)
- Portfolio (max. 6 – 8 pages)

**Please note: The email should not extend 10mb! Only applicants who get accepted for the Urban Design studies will also be considered for the Dual Degree!**

For further information, please contact the [team of the Urban Design](#).

**GOOD LUCK!**