

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Master of Urban Design

(Asian Development Bank - Japan Scholarship Programme (ADB-JSP) Applicant)

1. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admission Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements.¹
 - a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#);
 - b) shall hold a Bachelor's degree of this University in a relevant subject or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
 - c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to high degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b).
 - d) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.

2. The Master of Urban Design (MUD) programme offers one year of full-time study. It is accredited by Hong Kong Institute of Urban Design (HKIUD) and the UK's Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) under its specialism scheme. The curriculum runs over three semesters (equivalent to 1.5 years), equivalent to European master's degree measured by the European Credit Transfer System (90 ECTS) or a US Master's degree measured in US College Credit System². Upon completing the MUD programme, graduates are entitled to a one-year IANG working visa which can be extended by employers.

For applicants who satisfy admissions criteria for both the MUD and Master of Science in Urban Planning (MUP) programmes, there is the option of applying for admission to both programmes and completing both degrees in a period of 2½ years, instead of 3. MUP is fully recognized by the Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP) and Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI), and Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT).

3. Applications for a taught postgraduate programme is made through our online application system at <http://www.aal.hku.hk/tpg/programme/master-urban-design>
4. Applicants must submit a hard copy of design portfolio demonstrating your most important design, research, drawings, creative or professional work. There are no limits on format yet the portfolio should not exceed 50 pages. On the content page, you need to mark the date, the nature of project (i.e. academic, personal or professional), and collaboration information. All work must be clearly labeled and credited as either academic (with the institution, tutor and date noted), professional (with the office for whom the work was produced, your role in the project, and date noted) or personal. Images should be accompanied by brief descriptive text. For collaborative work, you need to clearly indicate your role in it. Showing other people's projects or undeclared team work are unacceptable and it will result in serious consequences. The cover of the portfolio should be labeled with the applicant's name, application no. and the name of the applicant's undergraduate institution.

¹ The programme's curriculum, regulations and syllabuses are subject to the Senate's approval.

² based on 2 ECTS = 1.00 US College/University Credit Hour and 30-64 credit hours for a Master's degree. This is indicative and should be checked with the US college/University that may have various other requirements.

5. The following are the eligibility requirements of the ADB-JSP:
- a) A national of an eligible ADB borrowing member country*.
 - b) Gained admission to an approved course at a designated institution.
 - c) A bachelor's degree or its equivalent with superior academic record.
 - d) At least two (2) years of full-time professional working experience (acquired after a university degree) at the time of application. Proficiency in oral and written English communication skills.
 - e) Not more than 35 years old at the time of application.
 - f) In good health.
 - g) Should agree to return to his/her home country after completion of studies under the Program.
 - h) Executive Directors, Alternate Directors, management and staff of ADB, consultants, and relatives of the aforementioned are not eligible for the Scholarship.
 - i) Staff of the ADB-JSP designated institutions are not eligible to apply to their own institution.
 - j) Applicants living or working in a country other than his/her home country are not eligible for scholarships.
 - k) ADB-JSP does not support applicants who are already enrolled in graduate degree programs.
<http://www.adb.org/site/careers/japan-scholarship-program/main>

** The eligible countries (as of October 2015) are:*

Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Georgia, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kiribati, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu and Viet Nam.

6. The closing date for ADB Scholarship applicants is 12:00 noon (HK time), 28 February 2019.
7. Further information on the above programme can also be viewed at:
<http://www.aal.hku.hk/tpg/programme/master-urban-design> or <http://www.arch.hku.hk/mud>
8. MUD ADB offer letter will be sent to ADB by 30 April 2019 or earlier, final ADB decision is announced in July 2019. The application results shall be made known to all the applicants by 31 July 2019 or earlier. If the applicants by that time still have not received any notice, they can enquire about the results by calling Mr. William Lo, 2219 4411, or sending email enquiry to willo@hku.hk
9. Interested applicants can join the Department's Admissions Talk to be held on 1 December 2018 (Saturday) at 10:00 am in Room 829, 8/F., Knowles Building, , The University of Hong Kong. Details will be released closer to the date of the event.
10. There is an international field trip every year, and students will need to pay for the trip.