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Master's degree



Master's in Architecture (March)

OWL University of Applied Sciences and Arts • Detmold

Overview

Degree	Master of Science (MSc)
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• German• English
Languages	<p>Courses are held in German (75%) and English (25%).</p> <p>Upon request, thesis can be written in English.</p>
Full-time / part-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• full-time
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	Please click here for current application periods.
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>Planning practices are measured more than ever by the principles of sustainability. This includes conserving resources by preserving and improving the structure of buildings, as well as developing new buildings that are energy-efficient and consume fewer resources. Moreover, digital technology has changed almost all areas of architecture, from design, planning and assembly to completion and has contributed new aspects to classic job profiles. The consecutive MSc in Architecture ("March") programme responds to these requirements by prioritising in a holistic architectural education the fields of energy efficiency and the saving of resources during the processes of designing, planning and construction, in particular by applying the theoretical and practical knowledge of digital analysis, design, planning and manufacturing methods. This prepares students for handling all types of architectural work as well as for scientific work and inter-professional collaborations. Under the guidance of the professors, students in the March programme choose and develop personal in-depth themes that are explored and deepened in the third semester in preparation for the Master's thesis.</p> <p>Linking with the Master's programme in Integrated Design (MID) and the Master's programme in Interior Architecture – Spatial Art (MIAR):</p>

The linking with the Master's programme in MID's Facade Design, Computational Design specialisations and the Interior Design Master's programme (MIAR) as well as the cooperation between the university and external partners offers the students opportunities to qualify for interdisciplinary, international and increasingly digitally supported professional fields.

The March is offered as a full-time degree programme. The standard period of study is four semesters.

Course Details

Course organisation

First Semester:

- Tools and Methods
- Construction and Dimensioning
- Green Architecture and Building Environment
- Reuse

Second Semester:

- Experimental design
- Design Studio: Integrated Building Design
- Urban Design Methods
- Architecture Theory, and Scientific Methods

Third Semester:

- Research Project Preparation
- Personal Research Project for development of the Master Thesis Topic

Fourth Semester:

- Master's thesis, presentation & Colloquium

Focus areas/advance courses:

- Urban development methodology
- Building conversion and repurposing
- Sustainable construction
- Theory, research and academic work
- Elective subjects

A Diploma supplement will be issued

Yes

International elements

- Specialist literature in other languages
- Language training provided
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad

Description of other international elements

The programme is conducted in German, with a few modules in English, but with generous special support and guidance in all modules in English for students whose native language is not German.

International excursions abroad are offered in the context of fairs, conferences or workshops.

Diverse intercultural background of students

10% of all Master's students have an international background.

Course-specific, integrated German language courses	Yes
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Semester contribution	<p>The semester fee is made up of the following components: Student body, the Association for Student Affairs, and the Deutschlandticket – a Germany-wide train and bus ticket.</p> <p>In addition to the semester fee, there are secondary expenses for lectures and courses that are not held on our campus in Detmold.</p> <p>Please click here for information on the TH OWL semester fee.</p>
Costs of living	<p>Accommodation costs in Detmold need to be taken care of by the student. They vary between 300 and 400 EUR per month.</p> <p>Since 1 January 2023, the annual requirement that must be paid into a blocked account when applying for a visa has amounted to 11,208 EUR (934 EUR per month).</p> <p>Information on costs of living and requirements for your visa and blocked account can be found by clicking here.</p>
Funding opportunities within the university	Yes

Description of the above-mentioned funding opportunities within the university

The Deutschlandstipendium programme was created in 2011. As part of this programme, the federal government subsidises private donation funds raised by colleges to finance scholarships for talented and academically strong students. The programme was modelled after other programmes, including Studienfonds OWL, which has been granting privately funded scholarships on behalf of five colleges in Ostwestfalen-Lippe, North Rhine-Westphalia. More information and details are available at the following link: www.studienfonds-owl.de/en/scholarships/deutschlandstipendium/

Additional offers: www.th-owl.de/en/international-office-th-owl/international-support-services/scholarships/

Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements	<p>Application requirements for the Master's programme in Architecture (March):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. University entrance qualification or an equal standard (e.g. secondary school graduation certificate) 2. Bachelor's degree or diploma in architecture with a minimum study duration of six semesters (180 credits) 3. Evidence of the specific, that is, professional and methodological suitability for the Master of
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Architecture (March) programme – see points 5 and 6

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- a) Evidence of German proficiency
- b) Evidence of English proficiency

5. Portfolio: Applicants must submit a portfolio that includes some of their most important and relevant work related to urban design, architectural design, or building design. The portfolio or documentation should be submitted as a PDF (20 MB maximum) and include a written declaration that the applicant has produced the work samples on her or his own.

6. Motivation letter and resume: Applicants must submit a motivation letter that should address their background and motivation as it relates to the requested specialisation (Architectural Design).

Current information on admission requirements can be found on the programme [website](#).

Language requirements	German fluency (only for individuals who did not obtain their university entrance qualification at a German-speaking institution in the EU): language level: B2 Current information on language requirements can be found on the programme website .
Application deadline	Please click here for current application periods.
Submit application to	Please click here to view how to apply to TH OWL

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment	<p>As registered students at OWL University of Applied Sciences and Arts, non-EU students are permitted to work up to 120 full or 240 half days per year without an additional work permit.</p> <p>You may work when the university is in session as well as during semester breaks. Only those days on which work is carried out are considered. Traditional jobs of an academic character such as student tutoring can be carried out in addition to the above-mentioned 120 full days or 240 half days. Such jobs are not subject to time restrictions.</p> <p>First-year students are strongly advised to focus primarily on their studies and to begin learning German as the vast majority of off-campus jobs will require at least basic proficiency in German. This will open up many more opportunities in later semesters. Free German courses are available for students through our International Office.</p>
Accommodation	Accommodation is available through the Student Services Office or on the private market. Information can be found on the Internet at www.th-owl.de/en/studies/starting-your-degree/housing-during-your-degree/ or www.th-owl.de/en/international-office-th-owl/international-support-services/living-in-owl/#c-accordion-68899-0 .
Career advisory service	Career Centre OWL University of Applied Sciences and Arts www.th-owl.de/career-service/
Support for international students and doctoral candidates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome event• Buddy programme• Accompanying programme• Cultural and linguistic preparation• Visa matters

**General services and support
for international students
and doctoral candidates**

The TH OWL International Student Guide provides you with a first look at the various services provided to you as an International Student at TH OWL. Additionally, you can learn how to get involved on campus, important dates for the semester and much more.

Please [click here](#) to view the TH OWL International Student Guide.

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