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Master's degree



Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA)

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Overview

Degree	Master of Arts
In cooperation with	International partner universities in Armenia (Yerevan State University, National University of Architecture and Construction of Armenia, Green Lane NGO), Austria (University of Salzburg), Czech Republic (J.E. Purkyne University in Usti nab Labem), Indonesia (Universitas Islam Indonesia), Republic of Malta (University of Malta), Spain (Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura, Universidad de Valladolid), and the United States (Utah State University)
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English
Languages	Courses are held in English (100%).
Full-time / part-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">full-time
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Additional information on beginning, duration and mode of study	<p>Start of studies is 1 October</p> <p>The first and second semesters are studied in-person. In the third semester, you complete the internship and in the fourth semester, you write your Master's thesis.</p>
Application deadline	15 March for the following winter semester
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	850 EUR
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No

Description/content

The international two-year full-time accredited Master of Landscape Architecture programme is a design-based professional programme designed for applicants with academic and professional achievements with the potential for professional leadership. The programme benefits from its unique relationship with the Master's programmes in architecture, nature conservation and other related fields at the Anhalt University of Applied Sciences, as well as with the world-famous "Bauhaus" - a revolutionary movement in architecture, art, and design.

Since its conception in 1998, the Master of Landscape Architecture programme has aimed to provide an intellectual base of knowledge in the field of landscape architecture and to enable students to create sustainable solutions to current landscape architectural challenges. The new curriculum conceived in 2014 develops this focus further to emphasise design and the European context. Current and innovative landscape and urban design of landscape architecture constitute highlights of the programme.

Co-operations with other leading universities in landscape architecture and with landscape professionals enable the MLA programme to offer real-time projects on current issues in Germany, Europe and abroad to extend the base of knowledge of the professional field beyond academic theories.

The MLA programme is designed to impart knowledge and skills which are essential for landscape professionals - as an educator, researcher and/or practitioner. The major emphasis on design and the underlying emphasis on the European context pervade the various modules in the programme. Competencies in the use of multi-media as well as soft skills equip the students to face developments and challenges in the field of landscape architecture.

Course Details

Course organisation

The standard period of study including the examination period is four semesters. The programme always begins in the winter semester at the beginning of October.

The course of study includes theoretical and practice-oriented courses in the form of modular lectures and a Master's thesis to be completed within 20 weeks and, finally, defended in a colloquium.

The first and second semesters provide an intensive programme of study encompassing the following modules:

First Semester:

- Atelier Urban Design
- Design of Urban Spaces
- Landscape and Environmental Planning
- Basics of Planting Design
- Graphic Design and Presentation
- GIS and Remote Sensing

Optional-Compulsory Subjects

- Architecture and Design (Site and Master Planning, Theory of Architecture)
- Project Management & Communication Skills

Additional Subjects

- English for Landscape Architecture
- German

Second Semester:

- Atelier Landscape Design
- History and Theory of Landscape Architecture
- Materials and Constructions in Landscape Architecture
- Sustainable Planning and Design

- EU Environmental Law
- Planting Design in Urban Spaces
- Thesis Seminar

Optional-Compulsory Subjects

- Advanced GIS and Multimedia Applications
- Sociology and Free Hand Sketching

Additional Subjects

- English for Landscape Architecture
- German

The course contents are taught in an application-oriented manner on a scientific basis. The teaching and learning methods used include studios, seminars, exercises, internships and excursions.

Third Semester:

In the third semester of the standard period of study, a 20-week internship must be completed, which accounts for 25 credits. The internship may be interrupted only once. However, it should be noted that one of these two parts must include a period of at least eight successive weeks.

Fourth Semester:

In the fourth semester, the students write their Master's thesis. The colloquium for the Master's thesis is the pinnacle of the course and represents its completion.

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A Diploma supplement will be issued	Yes
International elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International guest lecturers • Language training provided • Training in intercultural skills • Study trips • Projects with partners in Germany and abroad • International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context • Courses are led with foreign partners
Integrated internships	<p>In the third semester of the standard period of study, a 20-week internship must be completed which accounts for 25 credits. The internship may be interrupted only once. However, it should be noted that one of these two parts must include a period of at least eight successive weeks.</p> <p>Upon completion of the internship, students have to submit a report according to the internship regulations.</p> <p>Programme advisers will assist students in finding an appropriate internship.</p>
Course-specific, integrated German language courses	Yes
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	850 EUR
Semester contribution	86 EUR semester fee (covering a contribution to the Student Services and Student Union, but no public transport semester ticket is included or available)
Costs of living	Approx. 1,000 EUR per month to cover living expenses (including accommodation, excluding health insurance costs, excursions) Cheap rail fares/student discount on trains available
Funding opportunities within the university	No

Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements	<p>Evidence of qualification for the study course must be provided in accordance with the Higher Education Act of the State of Saxony-Anhalt.</p> <p>The admission requirement is the presentation of one of the national or international university degrees Diploma, Magister, Baccalaureus, Master's or Bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture with a duration of at least three years of regular study.</p> <p>Applicants with a university degree according to aforementioned criteria in architecture, urban and regional planning as well as in a related course of study may be admitted. As a basis for admission, an aptitude test is held in which the final grade achieved in the previous course of study and the quality of the design work to be submitted will be considered.</p> <p>For this purpose, a design portfolio has to be submitted. This design portfolio must include five works designed by the candidate. If the candidate has previous work experience, two of these design works should be based on his or her occupational experience.</p> <p>The MLA offers online-courses to get the necessary credits if applicants lack the required knowledge in Landscape Architecture.</p>
Language requirements	<p>The candidate's proficiency in spoken and written English is a condition for admission. Such proficiency has to be proven if the presented final certificate was not acquired from an English-speaking college or university. In this case, TOEFL test results of at least 85 from 120 (iBT, Internet-based test) and 6.5 from 9 (IELTS) will be the standard. Alternatively, proof of proficiency can be provided by adequate language certificates in conjunction with an assessment test held by Anhalt University of Applied Sciences.</p>
Application deadline	15 March for the following winter semester
Submit application to	<p>Hochschule Anhalt c/o Prof Dr Nicole Uhrig 06406 Bernburg Germany Nicole.Uhrig@hs-anhalt.de</p>

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment

Non-EU students should be aware that student visas entail strict regulations regarding work. Local student jobs are open to international students, as are student tutor positions at Anhalt University (depending on qualifications and job availability).

Accommodation

Generally, there are two ways of finding a student apartment in Bernburg. You can request a spot in one of the residence halls or look for an apartment on the private market.

1. Residence halls: Accommodation near the campus is offered by the Studentenwerk Halle / Student Services. It is recommended that new students contact Studentenwerk Halle before coming to Bernburg. Please visit the website <http://www.studentenwerk-halle.de>. Only online applications are accepted, and they need to be submitted to: <https://tl1host.eu/SWHAL/#home>.

2. Private accommodation is usually outside of the Strenzfeld campus. You can use this platform to find a private room or apartment:
<https://www.wg-gesucht.de/en/>

Programme advisers will assist students in finding appropriate accommodation on the private market. For more detailed information, please consult our websites:

<https://www.hs-anhalt.de/en/international.html>
<https://www.hs-anhalt.de/en/life/bernburg/housing.html>

Career advisory service

The MLA Network: Through our diverse co-operations and guest lectures as well as by appropriate formats like internships, studio projects and alumni work, there are possibilities to establish contacts in the professional practice in order to enhance your career prospects on a national or international level.

Career Service: The Career Service of the Anhalt University of Applied Sciences offers our international students a wide range of tailor-made services for a successful career start in Germany. It supports students in designing a professional curriculum vitae, helps with further qualifications and helps to develop new career perspectives. The Career Service is also a point of contact for companies and institutions that are looking for highly qualified staff with an international background and want to establish contact with students at an early stage.

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Welcome event
- Buddy programme
- Tutors
- Accompanying programme
- Specialist counselling
- Cultural and linguistic preparation
- Visa matters
- Pick-up service

Supervisor-student ratio

1:5



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"I chose the MLA programme at Anhalt University of Applied Sciences because it takes an international approach to landscape architecture. I liked the peaceful and quiet surroundings of Bernburg best and the brilliant, competent and helpful professors like Prof Dr Nicole Uhrig. The practical approach of the programme helped me find a job in practice after graduating. I am currently working as a landscape architect in Berlin."



Master of Landscape Architecture, Hochschule Anhalt – Bernburg Campus

In this video, students of the MLA programme take you on a journey to the campus, where you will meet some professors and students.

» more:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g6Mv3xEKBYQ>

Anhalt University of Applied Sciences

The Anhalt University of Applied Sciences offers innovative teaching and research at an international level and with international study quality and quality of life at three sites in Bernburg, Dessau, and Köthen. 63 Bachelor's and Master's courses in seven departments prepare over 8,000 students for one thing above all: a successful start to their careers.

The Anhalt University of Applied Sciences is based in three beautiful cities – Köthen, Bernburg, and Dessau. The three locations in Bernburg, Dessau, and Köthen are cities with a high quality of life that offer both cultural and natural attractions – they are located in the German state with the highest density of UNESCO world heritage sites. Köthen is traditionally an important centre of culture and education, Bernburg focuses on the natural sciences, and Dessau is home to the Bauhaus, renowned worldwide for architecture and design.

Anhalt University of Applied Sciences is proud to be part of these three attractive cities. Furthermore, it offers worldwide exchange semesters. We have partnerships with 86 universities in 42 countries.



📍 University location

The Campus

The MLA is located in Bernburg on a unique campus with the university and its residential buildings. The Bernburg-Strenzfeld campus stands out with a high quality of life and studies. With 50 hectares of experimental fields, state-of-the-art laboratories for the life sciences, and numerous beautiful herbaceous gardens, it offers space for experiments in teaching and applied research. The residence halls are located in the midst of parks and sports facilities. The departments of Agriculture, Ecotrophology and Landscape Development (Dept. 1) and Economics (Dept. 2) are located here. Well-equipped sports facilities and attractive leisure time activities offer the perfect way to relieve stress. Fifty-three professors supervise around 3,000 students.

The City

Bernburg, a city on both sides of the Saale, offers a high quality of life to around 35,000 people with affordable housing, good job opportunities, and many cultural and leisure time activities. The parks in the Saale valley can be reached by foot from the city centre. Students enjoy this as well as the Lower Saale Valley nature park. The city of hills and valleys also has an eventful history: Its landmark is a magnificent Renaissance castle. From this castle, the House of Ascania ruled over the sovereign Duchy of Anhalt-Bernburg. Since 2015, Bernburg has carried the Community of Protestant Church's honorary title "Reformation City of Europe".

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