# **Bachelor's Program Architecture (B.A.)** at the Technical University Munich

## Information for your application for the summer term 2024

## **International candidates**

International candidates are required to let 'uni-assist' examine their university entrance certificate (=Hochschulzugangsberechtigung/HZB). You can find further information here: https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/uni-assist.

Exempt from this rule are applicants who have taken part in a *Studienkolleg* in Germany or have been matriculated at the TUM before.

A good knowledge of German is a mandatory prerequisite for successfully studying architecture at TUM. Proof of satisfactory German is obligatory. Check here which certificates are accepted for studying at TUM: https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/admission-requirements/language-certificates

You can find general information for international candidates here: <a href="http://www.tum.de/en/studies/application">http://www.tum.de/en/studies/application</a>

## **Application and aptitude assessment**

To study the bachelor's program Architecture at the Technical University Munich (TUM), you will have to apply and pass our aptitude assessment as an integral part of the application process. The application process as a whole regulates the formal requirements, the aptitude assessment examines individual talents that suggest that the candidate will be able to complete the program successfully.

## Application for the summer term only for "lateral entrants"

Please be aware that an application for the summer term is only possible if you are already studying in a comparable course at another university. If you are not such a "lateral entrant" plan your application accordingly and apply for the winter term.

### **Details concerning the process**

#### Step 1: Online application

A timely online application on the central TUM application system is the first step of your application. You can find detailed information here on our website: http://www.tum.de/en/studies/application

The binding time frame for your online application is from 15.11.2023 to 15.01.2024.

#### Step 2: Uploading your application documents

During the online application, you will be told which documents are necessary in your case.

An important part of your application documents is a portfolio of your works. It should include drawings, sketches, photographs or other contributions that show your perceptions and ideas about architecture.

Please upload a portfolio (pdf no more than 20 MB) of your work, maximum of 10 pages in DIN A4 format! Please bring a printout of the portfolio to the interview should you be invited.

Relevant documents, e.g. the certificate of a finished related apprenticeship such as mason/bricklayer, carpenters, cabinetmaker, draftsman should also be uploaded.

The deadline for uploading all necessary documents is 15.01.2024.
Please note that we can only consider your online application if all documents for the admission have been uploaded before the application deadline.

Please check your TUMonline account regularly. There you can see if there are any further questions about your documents or if you need to complete or correct individual documents.

## Step 3: Phase 1 of the aptitude assessment

**Phase 1** of the aptitude assessment is a pre-assessment of the candidates. Based on your documents, we decide if you can be admitted to the program directly, if you are invited to a personal interview, or if we deny your application. Criteria for the pre-assessment is the average grade of your university entrance exam (Abitur or equivalent), grades of individual subjects closely related to the bachelor's program Architecture as well as the portfolio mentioned above. Candidates who received their university entrance certificate at a school outside Germany unfortunately cannot be granted direct admission due to formal reasons.

For phase 1 of the aptitude assessment you do not have to be active. However, you have to make sure that all submitted documents have been accepted by the Registrar's office.

For this, please regularly check the status of your application through your online application account. Phase 1 of the aptitude assessment can only be processed when all relevant submitted documents have been assigned the according status.

Should your account show problems with individual documents, please contact the Registrar's office immediately! (studium@tum.de; please always include your application number according to your online account)

Some documents are not relevant for the aptitude assessment, and only become relevant for registration at the beginning of the semester (this includes proof of health insurance). Therefore, these documents do not impede the first phase of the assessment.

## Step 4: Phase 2 of the aptitude assessment

In **phase 2** you will be invited to a **personal interview**, should you not have received either a direct admission or a direct denial in phase 1.

The aptitude interview takes place on the Munich city campus of the TUM and lasts approximately 20 minutes. Its purpose is to show if the candidate will be able to complete the degree program independently and responsibly. The focus of the interview can be on the candidate's portfolio, her motivation for applying, the intellectual understanding for abstract, logical and system-oriented questions, the necessary stamina and the ability to problem-solve in the context of complex issues, the spatial imagination necessary for the program, interest for technical problems, the candidates engagement in social, political or cultural areas as well as verbal skills. The other application documents can also be subject of the interview.

We will let you know the date of your interview by email **as soon as possible** after we have received your complete application, but at least **one week in advance**. Please regularly check your email (**including the spam folder**).

There is no entitlement to switch the date we set!

Interviews will take place on the following dates:

26.02. - 29.02.2024 04.03. - 07.03.2024

## Step 5: Accept the offer of admission

When you have completed the application process successfully, you will receive an offer of admission. You will receive an official email, but you can also check the status of your application anytime in your online application account.

Your next step is accepting the offer of admission. Please use your online application account for this.

Now we need the signed application form and all documents for matriculation/registration. You will see in TUMonline which documents we need from you. Please send these documents in the post.

You will also need to pay the student union fee (find out then exact fees here https://www.tum.de/studium/studienfinanzierung). Please note that your student account will only be activated when you have been registered. From this point on you can access the different functions of the account, e.g. register for individual courses.

The last date to accept the offer of admission through the online account is March 31, 2024.

Should you get your offer of admission after this date, please contact <a href="studium@tum.de">studium@tum.de</a> to accept it. Please also be aware that between your application and registration changes in the study plan might be possible (that means changes to the Academic and Examination Regulations/FPSO). For all newly registered students the newest

version of the FPSO is binding. Normally, there are no significant changes, but you should always check if these changes might be relevant to you.

## **Further dates**

Lectures and seminars in the summer term 2024 start on April 15.

## **Regulations and questions**

Further instructions and details for the application process can be found here: <a href="http://www.tum.de/en/studies/application">http://www.tum.de/en/studies/application</a>

If you have questions concerning your application, we are happy to help. You can contact us at bewerbung.ad@ed.tum.de

The regulations concerning the aptitude assessment for the bachelor's program Architecture (B.A.) can be found here: https://wiki.tum.de/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=886931596

## Please note!

Please note that if your application is rejected, you **have one further opportunity to re-apply** for the bachelor's program Architecture at TUM.

Study and Teaching | Architecture and Design, 19.10.2023. No guarantee for print errors or short-term changes. Please also check our website.