

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE**

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ADVANCED ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN  
ADMISSION for 2024 intake**

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

1. After submitting an online application via the University's online application system (<https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/programme-list>), within one day, applicants will receive an email from the Faculty with login ID and password to access the Faculty's MSc(AAD) Application Documents Submission System (<https://admission.arch.hku.hk/>). Please upload the below list of supporting documents to the MSc(AAD) Application Documents Submission System by **12:00 noon (HKT), January 20, 2025**. Please do not encrypt the supporting documents.
  - a) Official transcripts of academic record and graduation certificate from all post-secondary school institutions that you have attended. If official transcripts are not available at the time of application, progress transcript must be submitted.
  - b) Degree Certificates, if applicable.
  - c) Award Certificates, if applicable.
  - d) Test Report of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (non-home edition), or International English Language Testing System (IELTS), if you have not been studying in the university in which the Bachelor's degree programme is taught and examined in English.

An applicant is required to obtain:

    - i) a score of 550 or above (paper-based test) or 80 or above (internet-based test) in the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL; University TOEFL code: 9671) (non-home edition); or
    - ii) a minimum overall band of 6 with no subtest lower than 5.5 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

*Your test report will be considered valid if the test was taken within two years prior to the date you submit your MSc(AAD) application. Test scores obtained beyond this two-year timeframe will not be accepted.*
  - e) Personal statement: you should submit an essay that addresses your background and how it relates to your professional and academic interests, and your motivations in applying to the Master of Science in Advanced Architectural Design programme. The essay must be entirely your own work, written in English, and with no more than 500 words.

- f) Brief curriculum vitae (1-2 Page(s), indicating the overall GPA)
- g) A portfolio with no more than 20 pages of creative work, in landscape orientation in PDF format. Proper credit and context must be given for all work related to author, collaborators, and professional offices in which the work was completed; or academic course and instructor for which the work was completed, where appropriate. The maximum file size is 30MB.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Applicants will only be requested to submit hard copies of supporting documents when they receive an admission offer. Therefore, please do NOT submit hard copies to the Faculty Office before you receive the offer.

- 2. Applicants are required to appoint two referees, preferably previous teachers or professional employers, via the University's online application system (<https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/programme-list>). Both of your referees will be requested to complete an online referee report and upload a reference letter via a separate email sent by the Faculty.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

The University of Hong Kong has not entered into any agreement or collaboration with any intermediary agencies for overseas studies in respect of a mechanism of "quota for direct admission". Applicants are strongly advised not to engage any agency to submit an application or any application materials on their behalf. Applicants should prepare and submit their applications and supporting documents directly to HKU.

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