HSLU Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts

Master Design

Admission process 2027

Master of Arts in Design
Material Practices, Digital Ideation, Eco-Social Design, Service Design

Application

Application deadline
07.03.2027

If there are places available, we accept further applications after the deadline.

In order to participate in the admission process, please register here until 7th March 2027 and select your major.

A registration fee of CHF 200.00 will be charged and must be paid before completing your application.

Admission requirements:
Admission to the Master's degree programme requires a Bachelor's degree or an equivalent higher education qualification, in a subject area relevant to the field of study.

Part 1
Application documents

Please include the documents below with your online application:
All documents must be uploaded to the online application form (max. file size 50 MB).

Previous education
- Diplomas, school reports, certificates from previous education and further training
- Confirmation of exmatriculation (from previous studies at other Swiss universities)
- Language certificates
- Employer references and confirmations regarding your professional activities/experience/work

For foreign diplomas, an official translation in German or English must be submitted in addition to the original scan.

Enclosures
- Passport, residence permit (if available)
- CV
- Statement of Educational Objectives: 2-3 pages including reasons for applying for the MA Design studies in Lucerne, career goals after your MA studies as well as a brief description of your potential thesis project you would like to explore. Be as specific as possible.
- Portfolio (documentation of your past and current creative work)

Notification of decision
25.03.2027

After your documents have been reviewed, you will be informed about the next steps. If the decision is positive, you will receive an email invitation with the date and time for an aptitude interview. In the case of a negative decision, you will also be notified by email.

Part 2

Interview

Interview periods

06.04.–08.04.2027
13.04.–16.04.2027

During a personal interview with the acceptance committee, we will go through the submitted dossier. Please make yourself available for the mentioned period, as the invitation will be sent shortly before.

The interview lasts about 25 minutes and can be conducted online.

Decision on admission

Notification of acceptance

03.05.2027

Positive decisions and definitive rejections will be communicated until 3rd May 2027. To confirm acceptance of a study place, the student agreement must be returned within 7 days of receiving the acceptance notification. Applicants who meet the admission requirements but cannot be offered a place due to limited capacity will be placed on a waiting list and informed via e-mail. You will be notified as soon as a study place becomes available. Please note that all communication regarding the waiting list will be handled exclusively via e-mail. We are unable to provide updates by phone.

Decision waiting list

Until the end of June 2027

The final decisions on the waiting list will be sent out at the end of June 2027.

Costs / Study fees

According Study Fees 2027–2028

According to "Study Fees 2027–2028", an already accepted studyplace can be cancelled **until 31st July 2027** without any further costs.

Further information

Degree Programme Master Design

Please refer to the general information section on our website for details on admission criteria and the application procedure.

Contact

For administrative questions, please contact the admissions team:
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For specific questions regarding the MA design programmes, please do not hesitate to contact **Karin Fink and Andreas Unteidig**, Co-Heads of Master Design programmes: mad-lead.dfk@hslu.ch