HSLU Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts

Master Fine Arts

Admission process 2027

Master of Arts in Fine Arts in Critical Image & Situated Practices, Knowledge to Society und Art Teaching

Application

Application deadline
10.03.2027

In order to participate in the admission process, please register here by 10th March 2027 and select your major.

Master of Arts in Fine Arts
Critical Image & Situated Practices
Knowledge to Society

Master of Arts in Fine Arts
Art Teaching

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. For the Art Teaching Diploma for Baccalaureate Schools, part of the MA Fine Arts programme with a specialisation in Art Teaching, applicants need a completed Bachelor's degree plus either a seminar-based teaching diploma or an upper secondary school leaving qualification (academic baccalaureate, vocational education with vocational baccalaureate or specialised baccalaureate).

Part 1
Application documents

All documents must be uploaded to the online application form (max. file size 2 GB).

Your application must include the following files:

Previous education
- Diplomas, school reports and certificates from previous education and further training
- Confirmation of exmatriculation (from previous 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 copy, residence permit (if available)
- CV
- Motivation letter (max. 1,500 characters)
- Portfolio (Documentation of previous, possibly current artistic works, max. 16 pages A4).
- Sketch for a project idea (max. two pages A4), which could be implemented within one of the thematic fields of the StudioLabs eco!, post? und ¿Wo? as a part of the artistic practice. Further information see here: https://www.master-kunst-luzern.ch/studium/studiolabs/

Additional requirements for Art Teaching applicants:
- Documentation of any existing teaching experience or internships, if available
- Please note that this major is only available in German

Students who have not completed a Bachelor's programme in Fine Arts and Art and Design Education might be asked to attend additional foundation courses to catch up on lacking experience and foundational knowledge. Each case will be assessed individually as part of the onboarding process to determine what is required.

Notification of decision
Until 24.03.2027

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 period
05.04.–08.04.2027

- Content: Presentation of artistic works, motivation and project idea for the StudioLab
- Duration: 10 minutes (presentation), 10 minutes (interview/ discussion)

During a personal interview with the guidance of the commission, we will go through the submitted documents. Please make yourself available for the mentioned period, as the invitation will be sent shortly before. If requested, the interview can be conducted online.

Decision on admission

Notification of acceptance
Until 30.04.2027

Positive decisions and definitive rejections will be communicated until 30th April 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 study place can be cancelled **until 31st July 2027** without any further costs.

Further information

Degree Programme Master Fine Arts

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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Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact **Prof. Dr. Sabine Gebhardt Fink**, Head of Master Fine Arts programme and **René Gisler**, Responsible admission process: sabine.gebhardtfink@hslu.ch and rene.gisler@hslu.ch