

## FAQ's Master of Music Design

*Do I need a Bachelor of Music certificate to join the program?*

> It is possible to apply without a bachelor of music. It depends on several aspects, for instance your individual study plan, the quality of your portfolio, but also your background in the field of music and technology, your professional experience and your 'state of mind' as a reflective practitioner. The School can make an exception for candidates without a Bachelor of Music, but only in case of exceptional talent and a steady track record.

*How many students are admitted per year?*

25 Students are admitted each year. On average, one third of these come from abroad.

*Could you send me some more information about the application procedure?*

> Please take a look at the factsheet on this page of the website.

*Can I still do live shows or work on projects during the master?*

> Yes! Within the master it is precisely the intention that you use your current practice within the master. Your supervisor will guide you in this.

*Could you send me the list of modules for each of the Master of Music pathways?*

> It is not a master with modules from which you can choose. It is mainly about the formation of an individual plan about what you would like to do and achieve within the master. Based on that plan you will be connected to a supervisor – a coach - who will guide you and ask you questions about your development and direction. You can attend lessons, but they have to correspond with your individual plan. Your supervisor will help you to estimate which lesson series to attend. Besides that there will be portfolio feedback sessions, community meetings, workgroups on entrepreneurship and research, remedials (lessons about skills and techniques in the first semester), workshops, guest lecturers, etcetera.

*Which language is spoken within the master?*

> The lessons that are offered to the MMus are taught in English. About two third of the students is Dutch, however English is the main language. Some bachelor classes can be attended by master students, but they are primarily taught in Dutch.

*What are the language requirements?*

> Please check <https://www.hku.nl/en/study-at-hku/explore-and-apply/application-and-admission/general-enrolment-requirements>

*How do I find a room in Utrecht?*

Unfortunately it is very difficult to find a room in Utrecht. Information about housing on our website: <https://www.hku.nl/en/study-at-hku/studying-in-utrecht/housing>.

There are always a few temporary rooms available for students from abroad. You can send a mail to [sz@hku.nl](mailto:sz@hku.nl) (student affairs).

You could also try to find a room in villages around Utrecht, easy too access by public transport or by bike, like Zeist, Bunnik, Hilversum, de Bilt, Houten, Nieuwegein.

And you could try Facebook: 'Gezocht op HKU'.

*I've been accepted to the course this year. Is it possible to use this result and join the course next year?*

> Unfortunately that is not possible. We cannot hold places for a year or more. It is a big puzzle to properly streamline the master's applications, admissions and registrations and to arrive at a well-launched first year in which individual plan, diversity and nationality are taken into account. So every year we start over with the puzzle.

It is wise to register as soon as possible to increase your chances. That will be from October the next academic year.

*I was informed that I wasn't awarded with the Holland Scholarship...*

*Is it possible to revert / reconsider the decision?*

> It is not possible to reconsider the decision. The Holland Scholarship is a scholarship awarded to the most talented candidates. We always create a reserve list in case a candidate withdraws. If you have not heard that you are on the reserve list, then you do not have the chance that you will still be awarded the grant.

Here is the the link for information about a: <https://www.hku.nl/en/study-at-hku/explore-and-apply/nl-scholarship>. For more information please contact [sz@hku.nl](mailto:sz@hku.nl).

*Do I stand a better chance for the Holland Scholarship when I apply earlier?*

> No, the Holland Scholarship is a scholarship awarded to the most talented candidates. The registration date does not count.