

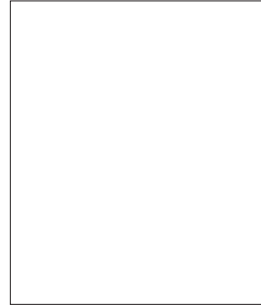


This form should be completed in BLOCK CAPITALS. Before doing so please read carefully through all information on it and refer to the Frequently Asked Questions page: www.aaschool.ac.uk/postgradfaq

Timetable for admissions process
Application deadline: **Friday 13 January 2012**
(application fee £40)
Late application deadline: **Monday 12 March 2012**
(application fee £60)

Applications received after 12 March will be accepted at the discretion of the school.

Please affix a passport-size photograph and print your name on the back



Title Mr Mrs Ms Miss

Other _____

Family name _____

First name(s) _____

Please underline the first name you prefer to use

Date of birth (dd/mm/yy) _____

Nationality _____

As stated on your passport (if you have dual nationality, state both)

Marital status _____

Email _____

This is our preferred method of contact

Permanent address _____

Telephone _____

Mobile telephone _____

Office telephone _____

Fax _____

Address for correspondence (if different) _____

I am applying to the Graduate School for the

20 ____ – 20 ____ academic year.

Please tick appropriate programme

Please select one programme only

Dipl

MA

MArch

MSc

Spatial Performance & Design (AAIS)

Full time

Part time (2 days per week)

Architecture and Urbanism (DRL)

Conservation of Historic Buildings

Design + Make

Emergent Technologies & Design

History & Critical Thinking

Housing & Urbanism

Landscape Urbanism

Sustainable Environmental Design

MPhil Projective Cities

PhD in Architectural Design

PhD/MPhil Programmes

Entrance Requirements

Graduate Diploma in Spatial Performance & Design (AAIS)

(12 months; 24 months part time):
Second Class or above Honours Degree in architecture or a related discipline from a British University or an overseas qualification of equivalent standard (from a course lasting not less than three years in a university or educational institution of university rank).

MArch in Architecture & Urbanism (Design Research Laboratory)

(16 months): Five-year professional architectural Degree (BArch/Diploma equivalent degree).

Graduate Diploma in Conservation of Historic Buildings: Part 2 (RIBA/ARB) or equivalent recognised qualification in a related field.

MArch Design + Make (16 months): Five-year professional architectural Degree (BArch/Diploma equivalent)

MSc in Emergent Technologies & Design (12 months): Professional Degree or Diploma in architecture, engineering, industrial/product design or other relevant discipline.

MArch in Emergent Technologies & Design (16 months): Five-year professional architectural Degree or Diploma in architecture, engineering, industrial/product design or other relevant discipline (BArch/Diploma equivalent degree).

MA in History & Critical Thinking (12 months):

Second Class or above Honours Degree in architecture or a related discipline from a British university, or an overseas qualification of equivalent standard (from a course of no less than 3 years in a university or educational institution of university rank).

MA in Housing & Urbanism (12 months): Second Class or above Honours Degree in architecture or a related discipline from a British university, or an overseas qualification of equivalent standard (from a course of no less than three years in a university or educational institution of university rank).

MArch in Housing & Urbanism (16 months): Five-year Professional Degree or Diploma in architecture or other related discipline.

MA in Landscape Urbanism (12 months): Professional Degree or Diploma in architecture, landscape architecture or urbanism or other relevant discipline.

MSc in Sustainable Environmental Design (12 months): Professional Degree or Diploma in architecture, engineering or other relevant discipline.

MArch in Sustainable Environmental Design (16 months): Five-year professional architectural degree (BArch/Diploma equivalent degree).

MPhil Projective Cities (20 months): Four or five-year professional architectural Degree (BArch/Diploma equivalent)

MPhil/PhD: Appropriate post-professional Masters Degree in proposed area of MPhil/PhD research.

Degree Validation

In view of the independent status of the AA, the administration and awards of the MA, MSc, MArch and Research Degrees in the Graduate School are validated by the Open University.

EDUCATION

Please give details of your tertiary education to date

University/college & country

Dates attended (mm/yy – mm/yy)

Degree title & class

Major

Full/Part time

University/college & country

Dates attended (mm/yy – mm/yy)

Degree title & class

Major

Full/Part time

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Please supply your original English Language qualification.

If you have not yet gained the required English Language qualification please state in this section the name of the qualification. Any student without the required English Language examination must register in an English Language school and book and pass the required examination before May 2012, prior to entry in Term 1.

Qualification

Date

Result

Please give details of other languages of which you have a good working knowledge, apart from your native language.

REFERENCES

Please enclose two references: one related to work experience, the other academic. If you have no work experience, please provide two academic references. References must be on headed paper, signed and in a sealed envelope. Alternatively, references may be sent directly to the Graduate School Admissions Coordinator by your referee. No application will be considered before two references have been received.

Please give the names and addresses of your referees below.

Name

Address

Name

Address

English Language

Language requirements for visas

If you need a Tier 4 student visa to enter the UK, you will need to meet the UK Border Agency's (UKBA) minimum language requirements based on the Common European Framework of Reference level (CEFR). Please note that these are the minimum levels required for visa purposes, and you will also need to meet the School's English Language entry requirements. Students not requiring visas should discuss English Language qualifications with Admissions: graduateadmissions@aschool.ac.uk

The AA reserves the right to make a place in the School conditional on gaining a further English Language qualification if deemed necessary. Any student without the required English Language examinations must register in an English Language school and book and pass the required examination before May 2012, prior to entry in Term 1.

What qualifications do you need?

To meet both the AA and the UKBA English Language requirements you will need to have one of the acceptable language qualifications listed below, unless you are from one of the following groups:

You are a national of an English-speaking country as per the list on the UKBA website. OR You have been taught in English at the level equivalent to a UK bachelor's degree for a minimum of three years. OR You have studied on a Tier 4 child visa in the UK and the course was longer than six months and completed within the last two years.

The following qualifications satisfy both the requirements of the UKBA and the entry requirements of the AA. IELTS (Academic 6.5 overall with at least 6.0 in each category) – two year validity period: must be within the two years at time of CAS visa application.

Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English at grade C1 or C2
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English at grade C2

Pearson Test of English (PTE) (Academic) overall minimum of 63 with a score of at least 59 in each category
Internet-based TOEFL – overall score of 90 with at least 22 for listening, 22 for reading, 23 for speaking and 23 for writing.

Please note that UKBA requirements are subject to frequent changes and all visa applicants should check with the UKBA for up-to-date details.

Application Procedure

It is crucial that you apply for the graduate programme most suited to your existing research interests, your personal and professional goals and your background, as it is not possible to apply for more than one programme or transfer programmes once you have accepted your place. Please consult the AA website and the AA Prospectus for full programme descriptions and if you have any doubts, please contact the Graduate Admissions Coordinator: graduateadmissions@aschool.ac.uk

All applicants are required to send a completed application form, accompanied by the necessary documents, to the Graduate Admissions Coordinator at the address on page one of this form. Applications will not be considered without all documentation except the required English Language examination

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT

This statement of not more than 1,000 words – which you should attach on a separate page – will be of major importance in the consideration of your application. The statement will only be accepted in a typed format and should address the following points:

- Why a postgraduate education at the AA and what do you hope to gain from it?
- What are your present interests and directions?
- Comment on the work you have accomplished since graduation.
- Comment on the Graduate School programmes offered, in particular the programme for which you are applying.

MPhil/PhD candidates are expected to submit a detailed research proposal which should include information on the following:

- The general research area in which you are interested.
- The specific problem or hypothesis you plan to investigate.
- The methods and techniques you will use to address your problem.
- The relationship of the proposed research to published literature.
- Previous work you have undertaken in the proposed field and the contribution your project will make.

Candidate's statement included

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

On a separate sheet, please give relevant employment history to date or other relevant professional experience.

Employment history included

RESEARCH/PUBLICATIONS

On a separate sheet, please list any existing published research you have authored or co-authored or any other relevant projects undertaken. (Please note you can attach a CV containing information on employment and research/publications.)

Research/publications list included

FINANCES AND FUNDING

Are you applying for any external funding? Yes No

If 'yes', please state full details of the source

Could you come to the AA without financial assistance? Yes No

How would you fund your studies at the AA?

Please tick as many options as apply

Self/Family Employer Loan Scholarship AA Bursary

Other _____
Please specify

The AA Graduate School offers a limited number of AA Bursaries to students applying for full-time programmes who demonstrate outstanding merit and financial need. Applicants **must** have an offer from one of the graduate programmes **before** applying for an AA Bursary. In order to be eligible to apply for an AA Bursary you **must** apply by the first deadline of 13 January and you must tick the 'AA Bursary' box on this form. Visit www.aschool.ac.uk/bursaries for further information.

Equality

The AA aims to create conditions to ensure that students are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of their gender, colour, religious/political beliefs, ethnic or national origin, disability, family background, age, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

Disability/Medical Condition

The AA encourages all students, no matter what the circumstances, to inform the AA as soon as possible if support is required.

The Architectural Association School of Architecture (Inc.) reserves the right to vary or omit all or any of its facilities, tuition or activities, or amend in any substantial way any of the facilities, tuition or activities for which students may have enrolled. Students shall have no claim against the AA in respect of any alteration made to the course.

CANDIDATE'S APPLICATION

Before signing the form, please ensure you have completed all questions on the application form. Also check that you have enclosed the documentation listed in the checklist below.

CANDIDATE'S DECLARATION

Plagiarism is unacceptable in an academic setting and students are subject to penalties including dismissal from the programme if they commit an act of plagiarism. By signing the application form I certify that the work submitted is entirely my own or my role is clearly stated. I also declare that all the statements I have provided in and accompanying this application are correct. I understand that any offer of admission to the AA Graduate School may be withdrawn if I cannot provide documentary evidence of any statement on this form.

By signing the application form I consent to the processing of my personal information by the Architectural Association School of Architecture in compliance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act of 1998. My data will NOT be disclosed to third parties for direct marketing purposes, and NO decisions will be made only by automatic means using my personal information.

I have read and understood the conditions of entry to the AA and confirm that I satisfy these requirements.

Signed _____ Date _____

ETHNICITY

The Architectural Association School of Architecture aims to create conditions that ensure staff and students are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of their gender, race, religious/political beliefs, ethnic or national origin, disability, family background, age, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

The AA is committed to providing equal opportunities for all. To assist us with our confidential monitoring, please choose one of the selections below and tick the appropriate box.

- White – British Irish or any other White background
Mixed – White and Black African White and Black Caribbean
White and Asian or any other mixed-race background
Black or Black British – including Caribbean African or any other Black background
Asian or Asian British – including Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi Chinese
Korean or any other Asian background

CHECKLIST

Please ensure you have enclosed the following

- Completed application form
- Copy of passport
- £40 application fee/£60 late application fee
- Original transcripts and certified copies of academic certificates/diplomas
All documentation should be provided in English. Official, independent translations bearing the stamp/signature of the translator as well as the original documents are accepted.
- English Language qualification (see section on English Language requirements)
- Two letters of reference
- Portfolio of design work (with the exception of History & Critical Thinking and Conservation of Historic Buildings applicants)
- Candidate's statement
- Employment history
- Research/publication history
- £50 portfolio return fee (optional)