ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORIC URBAN ENVIRONMENTS MA / 2018/19 ENTRY

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This Master’s programme pioneers the development of a more diverse and creative approach to the reinterpretation and reuse of historical environments in cities around the world, such as through imaginative architectural designs and urban strategies, and including issues of cultural heritage.

### Degree summary

This programme is exceptional in linking the core research challenge of innovative design with in-depth processes of urban surveying, recording, mapping and analysis. As such, the programme has a strong international component, viewing cities around the world as fascinating laboratories for investigations of architectural and historic urban environments, with London being the prime example.

The Bartlett School of Architecture is widely regarded as one of the leading architectural schools in the UK and internationally, with a strong reputation for generating knowledge and insights in architectural design, building technology and architectural history and theory.

In October 2013, the renowned Survey of London team moved to join the school, thus providing an opportunity to launch this new programme which also draws upon the multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary research expertise within the Bartlett, UCL’s Faculty of the Built Environment, as well as the cross-faculty UCL Urban Laboratory, and within the university generally.

The programme includes modules that investigate numerous international case studies which gives students the opportunity to carry out design research work in cities outside the UK should they wish to. A field trip each year to a non-UK city will provide staff and students with the knowledge of, and links to, those who are working in the field of architectural and urban heritage internationally.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, seminars, practical workshops, fieldwork visits, and individual and group tutorials. Assessment is through project critique reviews, project portfolios, coursework essays, individual and group presentations, dissertation/major project and a viva voce examination with an external examiner.

An annual programme field trip (optional) takes place, normally in February.

Departmental stipends of c. £250 are normally available. The maximum cost to the student is £500.

### Degree structure

**Mode:** Full-time: 1 year; Flexible: 2-5 years  
**Location:** London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of five core modules (90 credits), one optional module (30 credits) and a dissertation/report (60 credits).

#### CORE MODULES
- Design Practice for Historic Environments
- Design Research Methods for Historic Environments
- Issues in Historic Urban Environments
- Surveying and Recording of Cities
- Urban Redevelopment for Historic Environments

#### OPTIONAL MODULES
- Students choose one of the following:
  - Theorising Practices/Practising Theory: Art, Architecture and Urbanism
  - Representations of Cities
  - Multiple Modernities Architecture
  - Sustainable Strategies
  - E-Merging Design research
  - Practices of Criticism

#### DISSERTATION/REPORT
- All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of 10,000-12,000 words or a major design project with a minimum of 5,000 words.
Your career

Graduates of this programme will contribute to the emerging design ideas and technologies that are already starting to change our understanding of contemporary building production in cities around the world, and which involve either reusing existing historic buildings or the insertion of completely new structures into older situations.

Employability

The MA aims to equip graduates with the advanced knowledge and skills required to operate across the areas of urban research, design, management and implementation, combining subject expertise with design creativity, and linking theory, history and practice.
Entry requirements

Normally a minimum of an upper second-class Bachelor’s degree in an appropriate subject or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard. Candidates who hold either a professional or other qualification, obtained by written examinations and approved by UCL, together with at least three years of appropriate professional experience may also be admitted.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Standard.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

// why you want to study Architecture and Historic Urban Environments at graduate level
// why you want to study Architecture and Historic Urban Environments at UCL
// what particularly attracts you to the chosen profession
// how your academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
// where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver. Applicants are required to submit a portfolio when they apply, either in hard copy or digital format.

Application fee: There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. More details about the application fee can be found at www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.

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// UK: £11,030 (FT), £5,500 (PT)
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// Overseas: £25,880 (FT), £12,950 (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Fee deposits for this programme are as follows: Full time students £2,000; part time students £1,000.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Full-time: 27 July 2018
Part-time: 27 July 2018

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

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