**Admission Requirements**
**The Berlage Post-Master of Science in Architecture and Urban Design**

1. *Qualification*
   You have distinguished yourself in your professional degree in the following disciplines: architecture, urban design, landscape architecture, spatial planning, town or urban planning, or an allied discipline.

2. *Degree*
   – You have a master's degree equivalent to a Dutch MSc. degree in a main subject closely related to the post-master's program.
   – Or a five-year professional bachelor's degree that is equivalent to a Dutch MSc degree in a main subject closely related to the postmaster's program.
   – Or you have a four-year, or longer, university bachelor's degree with proof of qualification/registration entitling the applicant to practice architecture in their home country plus a minimum of two years of work experience.

   The TU Delft requires all applicants to its post-master's programmes to meet specific entry degree requirements. Eligibility for recognition and comparison of qualifications is determined via a series of international databases.

3. *Proof of English Proficiency*
   – A TOEFL test with a minimum of 22 points for every section and an overall Band score of at least 100. We only accept internet based test.
   – IELTS with a minimum of 6.5 for each section and an overall band score of at least 7.0
   – University of Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English, or the University of Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English.

   The following applicants are exempted from the English test requirement. Nationals from the USA, UK, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, and Canada. Also applicants who obtained a bachelor's degree in one of the aforementioned countries. Please note that applicants who obtained a bachelor's degree at an overseas branch of a university from one of the aforementioned countries are not exempted from the English language proficiency requirement.

   If Test Centres are temporarily closed or it is impossible for students to travel (for example due to unsafe situations), TU Delft will accept the TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition Test for the 2024 intake, provided that you meet the above mentioned test scores. The IELTS Indicator test and The IELTS Online (Academic) test however cannot be accepted.

   The admission committee regards English proficiency as crucial for a successful study at The Berlage. Therefore, we do not accept a lower score than the requirement. In order to meet the admission deadline, we recommend to take the IELTS or TOEFL on the earliest possible date. In the case that you are close to a deadline, we do accept a print screen of your results.

4. *Personal Position Statement*
   A personal position statement is integral to your application. This statement should position yourself within contemporary architecture practice and clearly express your future career goals, the skills you want to develop by studying at the Berlage, and how will the Berlage help you prepare you for the future you envision for yourself in architectural design practice and/or research. We use the personal position statement to evaluate your position, writing skills, and ability for critical thinking. The personal position statement should therefore be in English and between 2,000 and 3,000 words in length.

In your personal position statement,we are looking for:

   – evidence of a clear position about how you related to contemporary architectural and urban design practice
   – evidence of intellectual maturity and desire to pursue advanced design and research studies
   – definition of the key questions that might be answered during study; or the important issues that would be addressed by the study at The Berlage
   – willingness to develop cross-cultural and cross-disciplinary design and research skills
   – willingness to learn in a collaborative and experimental setting
   – evidence of ability to establish a logical and well-reasoned English-language discussion

5. *Two Reference Letters (written in English)*

6. *Extensive Curriculum Vitae*

7. *Self-introduction Video*
   Each applicant is asked to submit a three- to four-minute video that introduces you to the admissions committee, sharing your background and experiences and telling about your traits and motivations. Please provide a video link (URL) to your self-introduction video in a separate PDF page as part of your CV, and not embed the video file itself. Please upload the video to either YouTube or Vimeo, making the video public and unlisted. Unlisted means that anybody who has the link can view the video, but it doesn't appear in your channel or in search results. Note that the size of your application documents should not exceed 20 MB.

8. *Proof of identity*

9. *Portfolio*
   The digital portfolio should include samples of work from your previous educational programme. Working experience may be added to the portfolio. A portfolio should reflect the scope and variety of your previous training and experience with specific emphasis on your personal interests as well as your academic and practical skills particularly in drawing, writing and analysis.

Neatness and clarity of presentation are extremely important as they reflect both your attitude towards your work as well as your ability to communicate your work in a comprehensive and deliberate manner.

What to include in your post-master portfolio:

– The portfolio cover should include your full name and contact information.
– Include a total maximum of five projects, either from your previous education or practice. "Projects" demonstrate your experience and capabilities, and might comprise examples of design or planning projects, extracts of written reports, publications, or research and analytical work. See below for more details.
– Include at least one single authored project
– Include your final project (or most recent)
– At least one of the projects included should clearly demonstrate your capabilities with respects to analytical and reasoning skills.

Project Documentation:

The five projects can include (either A or B)

A: Design or planning projects
– Concept sketches and/or diagrams, showing preliminary visual development of ideas, approaches and methods and showing how you organise your ideas.
– Finished drawings of original design or planning work
– A written explanation (in English) of the problem, the goals and objectives of the project, overall concept, how the solution was reached and your contribution to team work.
B: Research projects, publications, or research and analytical work
– Extract of the material which give a good impression of the overall project including the problem questions, the method of analysis and findings; which may include drawings, text, mpas or other examples.
– A summary explanation (in English) of the objectives, findings and conclusions of the work and an explanation of your contribution.

Please note that for all projects shown we require you to include the name(s) of the author(s)

Per project define
– Name and location of the project
– If it is academic or  professional
– If it is individual or group work
– Your role in the process
– Your exact contribution to the project
– The level of the project, if academic (year/semester of your study in which the project was carried out)
– Date when the project was carried out
– Name and e-mail address of the supervisor of the project

The size of your portfolio
Please be aware that quality is more important than quantity. Note that portfolios are evaluated digitally and should be easily readable without zooming or scrolling.

Therefore:
– The size of your portfolio should not exceed 20MB
– The size of the pages should not exceed A4
– The number of pages should not exceed 30 A4 size pages
– It is not allowed to show more than one A4 size page per screen
– It is not allowed to use the booklet format because that is two pages per screen
– The document format should be PDF
– Be aware that landscape layout suits our requirements best
– These requirements are very strict. If you do not meet them, your portfolio will not be evaluated andyouwillnotbegivenanotherchancetoapplythis academic year.

Please note: Though we take the utmost care with all submitted documentation, we cannot be responsible for files that have been sent either corrupted, incomplete, or beyond the maximum size accepted by our system. Therefore,we highly advise you to check and double check your PDF documents before sending.

10. *Payment of the application fee*
    Please note that you are not assured of admission simply by meeting our requirements and sending us all the required documents.