

APPLICATION TO:

**BACHELOR OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (HONS)  
MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**

Thank you for your interest in the Landscape Architecture degrees at the University of Cape Town. The degrees are offered by the School of Architecture Planning and Geomatics located in the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment.

**Minimum admission requirements:**

Please also consult the Faculty of Engineering and the [Built Environment Postgraduate Handbook](#).

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Please take note that applicants holding non-design, but related Bachelor degrees, will be required to undertake the bridging courses which are offered by the Continued Professional Development Unit in the faculty in the format of a 4-week, 5-days-a-week intensive workshop (see dates below).

For more information about the bridging courses please visit our [bridging course website](#).

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Please note that an Honours level (SAQA NQF 8) qualification in landscape architecture is required as part of the entrance requirements for the MLA programme.

**Application requirements:**

**The deadline for international applicants is 31 October 2021**

**The deadline for local applicants is 30 November 2021**

**Applicants needing to complete the bridging courses should aim to apply before 31 October 2021.**

Students are required to submit an online application:

<http://www.students.uct.ac.za/students/applications/apply/forms>.

The online application will direct students to submit the following:

1. A digital copy of your latest university transcript and degree certificate(s).
2. **Curriculum vitae:** this should include personal details, interests, travel or work experience.
3. **Letter of motivation:** submit a statement in your own words (approximately 750 words) of why you are attracted to the landscape architecture field, and what you hope to do with your qualification. This letter, with the portfolio, provides an important opportunity for you to give the assessment panel an understanding of who you are. It is advisable to undertake some research on landscape architecture online, to speak to landscape architects about the profession of landscape architecture and to reflect on this in your letter of motivation.

4. **A portfolio of design and creative work:** The portfolio should be compiled as one PDF of no more than 20MB. If you have completed a design-based degree, we would like to get a sense of your design and technical and thinking abilities, so please include conceptual (rough / hand), final presentation and technical drawings. Please do not submit drawings undertaken as part of a team in practice, only drawings for which you are the sole author. Additionally, please feel free to include other creative work outside design that will give the panel a sense of who you are and how you think. For those applying from a related non-design based degree, the portfolio may include evidence of any creative work (art, drawing, photography, sculpture etc.).
5. External applicants are requested to courier a **certified copy of your original university results transcript**. Please be sure to send this to the Admissions Office (Cross Campus Road, Rondebosch). Certified copies can be made at a police station, a post office or by a commissioner of oaths. Applicants are also advised to email their university results transcript to [ferryl.pearce@uct.ac.za](mailto:ferryl.pearce@uct.ac.za) (please include username/applicant number in the email header).

It is strongly advised that you complete your online application and submit the above items as soon after the applications open as possible. This is to ensure you receive a selection result as early as possible, which will enable you to make timeous arrangements to complete the bridging courses (if required), register before the registration deadline, attend the programme orientation, and be able to start classes on the first day of the semester (see dates below).

### **International students:**

**The deadline for international applicants is 31 October 2021.**

In addition to the above, if students have not attended a South African University prior to application, you are required to supply a SAQA NQF Level Confirmation Certificate to validate your previous degree / university. You may include this certificate on the first page of your portfolio.

Successful international applicants are strongly advised to apply for a study visa immediately after receiving an offer to avoid delays. International students must factor visa processing times (minimum 6 – 8 weeks) as well as International Student Clearance with the IAPO, within timelines for registration. International applicants are therefore strongly advised to submit completed applications well before 31 October 2021 to ensure timeous registration for 2022 (please see 2022 calendar below).

The International Programmes Office can be contacted via <http://www.iapo.uct.ac.za/>.

### **Fees:**

The 2021 fees handbook can be found [here](#) (the Landscape architecture programme fees are listed on page 46). For more information regarding fees, please contact the Fees Offices [website](#) or email [fnd-feeeng@uct.ac.za](mailto:fnd-feeeng@uct.ac.za)

## Bursaries and scholarships:

For more information please visit the UCT Postgraduate Funding [website](#) or visit their [contacts](#) page. Applicants are strongly advised to apply for funding well in advance. Many bursary applications close 3 - 6 months before the start of the academic year. For example the NRF deadlines for funding applications are as follows:

First-time applications for Masters	2 July 2021
Honours means test deadline	6 August 2021
Honours applications	1 November 2021

The Institute of Landscape Architecture in South Africa has a bursary programme with applications due in November. Please visit their [bursary website](#) for updates. Please note ILASA supports multiple institutions and currently only supports one bursary per institution.

## 2022 applications calendar and dates:

Applicants should please take note the following dates:

1 May 2021	Online applications open for 2021
31 Oct 2021	International application deadline for study in 2022 Recommended deadline for applicants completing the bridging courses
30 Nov 2021	Application deadline for study in 2022 (South African students only) Registration for the bridging courses in January 2022
Jan 2022	4 weeks of bridging courses (if required for admission)

Please plan for programme registration and orientation the week before term begins.

Please visit the UCT [calendar](#) for updates to the 2022 term dates.

## Application checklist:

- The following has been included in the online application:
  - Digital copy of latest university results and degree certificate(s)
  - CV
  - Letter of motivation
  - Portfolio (it is recommended that International applicants include a SAQA certificate)
- A certified copy of your original transcript has been sent to the Admissions Office

**Enquiries:**

For general application enquiries please contact the Administrator Mcebisi Mdluli at [mcebisi.mdluli@uct.ac.za](mailto:mcebisi.mdluli@uct.ac.za)

For enquiries regarding the degrees and courses please contact Clinton Hinds at [clinton.hinds@uct.ac.za](mailto:clinton.hinds@uct.ac.za) or Christine Price at [christine.price@uct.ac.za](mailto:christine.price@uct.ac.za).

Programme website: <http://www.apg.uct.ac.za/apg/landscape-architecture>

MLA thesis exhibition: <https://www.landscapearchitectureuct.com/>

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