ART IN CONTEXT



Three-year master's degree programme on-site learning, in English

ADMISSION PROCEDURE FOR THE 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

QUALIFICATIONS FOR STUDY AND CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

In order to be accepted for study, applicants are required to demonstrate their artistic capacities, motivation, general cultural knowledge and an ability for further artistic development and the theoretical reflection of their work. This criterion is demonstrated by participating in a distance talent examination (MS Teams, Zoom, etc.) in which applicants present their portfolio of artworks and are interviewed by teachers.

PREREQUISITES FOR THE STUDY

One condition for applicants to the Art in Context study programme is to have completed their bachelor's education in the field of fine arts (or related disciplines) or to be in the final year of a bachelor's study programme. Applicants must also have a B2-level knowledge of English.

I. APPLICATION

The e-application form can be found online at www.avu.cz after 1 March 2025. Instructions for filling in the application can be found in the same place. The e-application is open until 31 March 2025.

The application must include:

- 1) E-application
- 2) A brief CV incl. applicants telephone number, e-mail and postal address.
- 3) Letter of motivation describing the reasons for the applicants' interest in studying, with an assessment of past interests and study experience
- 4) A scan of a certificate, diploma or similar document confirming graduation from a bachelor programme at a university or academy or completion of a similar educational programme with a record / transcript of courses taken (if available). The diploma can be alternated with applicant university's confirmation of the final year of a bachelor's study programme providing the date on which will take the final exam. Documents that were not originally issued in the Czech, English or Slovak languages must be translated into Czech or English by a certified translator.
- 5) A certified copy of a language exam diploma issued to the applicant by an internationally certified agency (TOEFL, IELTC, TOEIC, OLF and Duolingo), or an equivalent exam at a university in the applicant's home country, at least at the B2 level.

A scan of a document confirming payment of the processing fee (EUR 40) associated with the admission procedure. The fee is non-refundable. Please note that a payment order is not considered valid confirmation of payment.

The processing fee associated with the admission procedure for applicants to the Art in Context three-year master's degree programme is EUR 40.

Payments from outside the Czech Republic:

If you are paying the fee from a foreign bank, use the following payment data:

Recipient's acct. no.: 3584260247/0100

IBAN: CZ710100000003584260247

SWIFT: KOMBCZ PP

Under 'note for recipient', write the number you received after submitting your e-application

Account holder:

Academy of Fine Arts in Prague, U Akademie 172/4, 170 00, Praha 7, CR

Bank address:

Komercni banka, U Pruhonu 32, 170 04 Praha 7-Holesovice, Czech Republic

Any banking fees for the foreign money transfer are paid by the applicant. If AVU receives a smaller amount than the prescribed fee for the admission procedure, the application will not be accepted. If you are sending payment via a money transfer within the European Economic Area, select SHA (or SLV) in the field marked 'Detail of charges'. When paying from other countries, select OUR.

Payments from the Czech Republic may be made as follows:

Recipient's acct. no.: 3584260247/0100

Variabilní symbol / variable symbol: 100 (without this number, the payment cannot be identified)

Konstantní symbol / constant symbol: 0379

Specifický symbol / specific symbol: the identification number you received after submitting your e-application

Under 'message for recipient' write: admission procedure-[name and surname of applicant]

SAVE A SCAN OF PROOF OF PAYMENT AS AN ATTACHMENT TO YOUR APPLICATION.

A portfolio of artworks

The application and all other required materials and attachments must be uploaded into the IS/STAG system (on www.avu.cz) by 31 March 2025 at the latest.

The e-application must contain all required materials and information or the applicant cannot be included in the admission procedure!

II. TALENT EXAMINATIONS

No later than 7 days after the closing of the e-application, applicants will receive an invitation to the admission procedure by email, as well as an individual identification number under which they will participate in the admission procedure. In the admission procedure, a portfolio of art works, a motivation letter and a personal interview will be evaluated.

Description of rounds 1 and 2 of the admission procedure

The admission procedure is divided into two rounds. The first round includes an assessment of the submitted portfolios, cover letters and CVs by an admissions committee composed of selected AVU teachers and the Art in Context study programme. The commission selects which candidates will advance to the talent test in the second round, which takes place on May 7, 2025 online via MS Teams, Zoom, etc.

Portfolio of artworks

The electronic portfolio is uploaded along with the electronic application. Portfolio images should be in PDF format, with a maximum portfolio size of 15 MB. In the portfolio, applicants submit original works in a digital medium or documentation (photographs, audio, video, etc.) of original works of art (drawings, paintings, sculptures, etc.). Applicants may also submit preliminary sketches of or plans for works using text, sound, electronic images, light, photography or more. If applicants wish to submit an audiovisual work, audio recording or similar work, they must record it on YouTube, Stream or a similar online platform and then include a link in their portfolio. The optimal portfolio should include fifteen artworks.

The announcement of the results of the first round of the admission procedure will take place on the AVU website on April 24, 2025.

SECOND ROUND - from and content of the exam

The second round will take place on May 7, 2025 via MS Teams, Zoom or a similar application.

In the morning, all candidates will join a video conference and receive the assigned topic. They have one day to create a work of art in any chosen form on a given topic. This work must be submitted on time.

In the second half of the date, individual interviews will take place, which include a presentation of the portfolio of art works and an interview with teachers. Based on the complete results of the admission procedure, the pedagogical commission will compile the order of applicants, which is then submitted to the Rector of the Academy of Fine Arts for a final decision.

Conclusion of admission procedure

The maximum number of accepted applicants for the 2025/2026 academic year is 7. Admission to study at the Academy of Fine Arts in Prague is decided by the school's rector. The decision is made out in writing within thirty days of the distance talent examination and contains a reasoning of the decision and instructions on the possibility for requesting a reevaluation. The decision is delivered to the applicants through the school's information system and via postal service. AVU will publish a report on the course of the admission procedure on its website within fifteen days after its conclusion.

In order to be able to register for study at AVU, applicants who have been accepted must prove nostrification of their bachelor's degree diploma.

Other fees associated with foreign-language study programmes

From the academic year 2024/25, the study will require a fee. This fee will be EUR 6,000 for each academic year within the standard period of study.

If the period of study exceeds the standard study period, the study fee shall be one half of the given amount, payable at the start of each subsequent semester; the rector may reduce this fee for the semester in which the student completes his or her studies, among other things taking into account the time of study in this semester.

For any questions related to the admission procedure, please contact the Study Department:

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For any questions related to the course of studies, please contact Head of Art in Context programme:

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DATES

Deadline for submitting applications to the admission procedure for the 2025/26 academic year	March 31, 2025	Electronic submission of applications and all additional requirements
First round of the admission procedure – without the applicants' participation; selection of applicants to advance to the second round of the admission procedure	April 17, 2025	Saloun Studio, AVU
Announcement of the results of the first round of the admission procedure	April 24, 2025	AVU website
Second round of the admission procedure, distance form involving the participation of those applicants who have advanced from the first round	May 7, 2025	MS Teams, Zoom, etc.
Announcement of the results of the second round of the admission procedure	May 12, 2025	AVU website

Bc. Šárka Krtková, M.A. Vice-Rector for Study Affairs

Prague, 20 November 2024