THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
Department of Real Estate and Construction
Division of Architectural Conservation Programmes

Postgraduate Diploma in Conservation / Master of Science in Conservation

1. The Architectural Conservation Programmes (ACP) offers a foundation programme (one-year part-time) leading to a Postgraduate Diploma in Conservation and an advanced programme (two-year part-time or one-year full-time) leading to the degree of Master of Science in Conservation.

2. To be eligible for admission to the programmes, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admissions Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements.

   (a) shall comply with the General Regulations;
   (b) shall hold a Bachelor’s degree with honours of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
   (c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to high degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b).
   (d) satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

   An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.

3. Applicants may choose to apply for one of the following:

   (i) the one-year part-time PDip(Conservation) programme (for students with residency status in Hong Kong and Macau only);
   (ii) the two-year part-time MSc(Conservation) programme (for students with residency status in Hong Kong and Macau only);
   (iii) the one-year full-time MSc(Conservation) programme (for students from Hong Kong, Macau, Mainland China and overseas).

   Please note that applicants who are already registered with an undergraduate or postgraduate programme in this university or other tertiary institutes will NOT be eligible for any of the above programmes.

4. Successful applicants for the part-time PDip(Conservation) programme may be permitted to transfer to the part-time MSc(Conservation) programme before the award of the diploma, and they will continue directly into the second year of the part-time MSc(Conservation) programme upon successful completion of the part-time PDip(Conservation) curriculum.

5. To be eligible for admission to the curriculum leading to the PDip(Conservation) and MSc(Conservation), an applicant must satisfy the following requirements:

   (i) hold a Bachelor’s degree of this University or an equivalent qualification accepted by this University;
   (ii) demonstrate a good command of spoken and written English.

   Please note that applicants from a university or a comparable institution outside Hong Kong where the language of teaching and/or examination is not English must fulfill The University of Hong Kong’s English language proficiency requirements for postgraduate admission (see: “General Qualifications for Admissions” at http://www.aal.hku.hk/tpg/university-entrance-requirements).

1 The programme’s curriculum, regulations and syllabuses are subject to the Senate’s approval.
6. Applications for a taught postgraduate programme can be downloaded and submitted via our online application system at http://www.aal.hku.hk/tpg.

7. This is a credit-based programme. Postgraduate Diploma in Conservation graduates are required to take 45 credits. Master of Science in Conservation graduates are required to take 90 credits.

8. The closing date for the September 2017 intake for local and overseas applications is extended to 12:00noon (HKT), 15 May 2017. As time is needed to process the applications, applicants are requested NOT to make phone enquiry of their applications before 30 April 2017. Applicants shall be notified of their application results no later than 1 June 2017. If after this date, notification has not been received, please contact the Faculty Office – Ms Heidi Leung at 2219 4408.

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Fee Structure
Tuition Fee per FTE: HK$75,000 per year* (Subject to final approval by the University)

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