Postgraduate Admissions Information 2008/9

How to apply

This information applies to the MA/Postgraduate Diploma in Landscape Architecture (LSCT123) and to the MA/Postgraduate Diploma in Landscape Studies (LSCT124).

All applications must be made using the University's Postgraduate Taught Course Application Form obtainable from the postgraduate admissions secretary, Helen Morris, in the Department of Landscape. Alternatively, a copy of the application form and other relevant documents may be downloaded from the University Web Site at http://www.shef.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/apply/applying.html

You may also use this link to apply online.

All postal applications and supporting information must be sent to Postgraduate Taught Course Admissions at the address shown in left hand margin.

What to send with your application

It will help us to process your application quickly if you send the following information together with your application form, or if you have applied online, as soon as possible after submitting it:

- Two references on the prescribed form (which may be downloaded from the University Web Site at the address shown above)
- A certified copy of your degree certificate or any other qualification relied upon in support of your application
- A certified copy transcript of the marks awarded to you in connection with your degree (if applicable)
- A short portfolio containing examples of your visual work. This could be any visual/creative output including drawings or images that you produced in connection with your first degree. If your first degree was in a non-visual discipline then it would be helpful if you could send us examples of other art work, such as landscape drawings or sketches, or other responses to landscape
- (European and Overseas applicants only)- A certified copy of your English Language qualification (IELTS 6.5 or above or TOEFL 575 or above)

What happens after your application is received?

Graduate Admissions will then send a copy of your application to the Department of Landscape, together with your supporting information. Students from the UK will generally be invited for interview at one of the Department's Postgraduate Open Days (see “Want to know more before applying” overleaf). European and Overseas applicants are not expected to come for interview.

Upon receipt of your application form, Graduate Admissions will send you an acknowledgment e-mail containing your unique Graduate Application number. In all subsequent correspondence this number should be quoted, along with your name and the course and Department to which you have applied. Once you have received your Graduate Application number you can follow the progress of your application by using the on-line Application Tracking System at http://www.shef.ac.uk/postgraduate/app_tracking

You are also welcome to contact Helen Morris direct if you have any questions.
If you need more information about the above courses before applying please contact Helen Morris, who will send you a full information pack. You are also welcome to contact the postgraduate admissions tutor, Anna Jorgensen, by telephone or email.

We would also recommend that you look at the University of Sheffield's Web Site, which provides extensive information about the University, City and student facilities. You are also welcome to attend one of our postgraduate open days before you apply to find out more about the Department and our courses. At the open day you will have a chance to tour the Department as well as meeting members of staff and existing and prospective students. You will also learn more about the structure and content of the courses, and about teaching methods, and you will be able to see examples of students' work. Alternatively, if you would prefer to call in for an informal visit please contact Helen Morris to arrange an appointment.

### Entry requirements

**MA/Postgraduate Diploma in Landscape Architecture**

You will need a good honours degree, ideally in a subject related to Landscape or Design (e.g. Ecology, Geography, Geology, Architecture, Engineering, or Fine Art). However, Landscape Design combines many different skills and disciplines (in both the Arts and Sciences) and past students have come from many diverse backgrounds including Jewellery Design, Law and Mathematics.

In exceptional circumstances we will also accept candidates without a first degree who have relevant skills and education through previous employment and/or study that demonstrates their ability to complete a higher degree, subject to the written approval of the Faculty of Architecture.

**MA/Postgraduate Diploma in Landscape Studies**

You will require a good honours degree in a subject related to Design (including for example Landscape Architecture, Architecture, Engineering, Interior or Environmental Design or Planning).

In general we have an inclusive admissions policy and are interested in enthusiastic and committed applicants. If you have any concerns about your eligibility please do not hesitate to contact Anna Jorgensen for further advice.

### Fees

Details of the fees payable may be found at [http://www.shef.ac.uk/ssid/fees/pgt](http://www.shef.ac.uk/ssid/fees/pgt)

Most students are self-funded but postgraduate students normally resident in the UK may be eligible for a Career Development Loan- further details are available at [http://www.shef.ac.uk/ssid/finance/pgt/government/cdl.html](http://www.shef.ac.uk/ssid/finance/pgt/government/cdl.html)

International students may be eligible for scholarship assistance. For details see [http://www.shef.ac.uk/ssid/finance/international.html](http://www.shef.ac.uk/ssid/finance/international.html)

### International Applicants

We welcome applications from International Applicants. Our postgraduate programmes attract many students from a wide variety of countries including Bahrain, Bangladesh, China, Germany, Greece, India, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico and Taiwan. International applicants will need a recognised English Language qualification- currently IELTS 6.5 or above or TOEFL 575 or above. This will not apply if you can demonstrate that your previous education was carried out through the medium of the English Language. The University has an extensive support system for overseas students. For details see [http://www.shef.ac.uk/international/](http://www.shef.ac.uk/international/)