

Applying to study at Masters level School of Design

Guidelines for Applicants

(see also <http://application.gsa.ac.uk>
for guidance on uploading your
portfolio)

Programmes of study

- One year
 - MDes Design Innovation: Citizenship
 - MDes Design Innovation: Environmental Design
 - MDes Design Innovation: Service Design
 - MDes Fashion and Textiles
 - MDes Graphics, Illustration and Photography
 - MDes Interior Design
 - MSc Product Design Engineering
 - MSc Product Design Engineering
 - MSc International Management and Design Innovation
 - This is joint GSA/University of Glasgow programme – applications are submitted to the UofG
- Two year
 - MDes Communication Design

Progressing your application

Your application will be forwarded to assessors when you have submitted

- Portfolio (where applicable)
- an application form which has been fully completed
- one academic reference (at your discretion two references may be provided)
- a personal statement
- transcript of qualifications attained to date (including English Language qualification where applicable)
- evidence of current studies leading towards a degree which will qualify you to study at masters level (Where applicable)

Additional Information

- In addition you will also need to submit
 - A copy of your passport (if applicable)
 - We would prefer if you sent this information with the application form, personal statement, reference, transcripts and portfolio

Personal Statement Guide

Your personal statement should

- be approximately 500 words in length
- state your interests and intentions
- support your application to the chosen programme of study
- not be generic in nature
- demonstrate that you have researched the programme
- Indicate why you consider the programme important to the future development of your practice

Portfolio Guide

Most applicants are required to submit a portfolio

Exceptions

- MSc Product Design Engineering
- MDes Design Innovation – where the applicant does not have an Art and Design background
- MSc International Management and Design Innovation

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Your portfolio should

- comprise of 25 clear images
- if the portfolio is accessible via a URL then please ensure that the link is live (and will remain so throughout the assessment period)
- be self-explanatory and provide evidence of research, design development and process, technical knowledge, technical skill and resolved work

Assessment Criteria

Application Form, Portfolio (where applicable), Reference and Personal Statement
Interview

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On application and at interview

Ability to

- apply practical skills
- apply analytical and conceptual skills
- communicate about your work and put into context
- demonstrate an interest in Design and specialist area applied for