## Entry Requirements

Prospective applicants must have a B. A. (Hons.) Degree in Architectural Studies or equivalent.
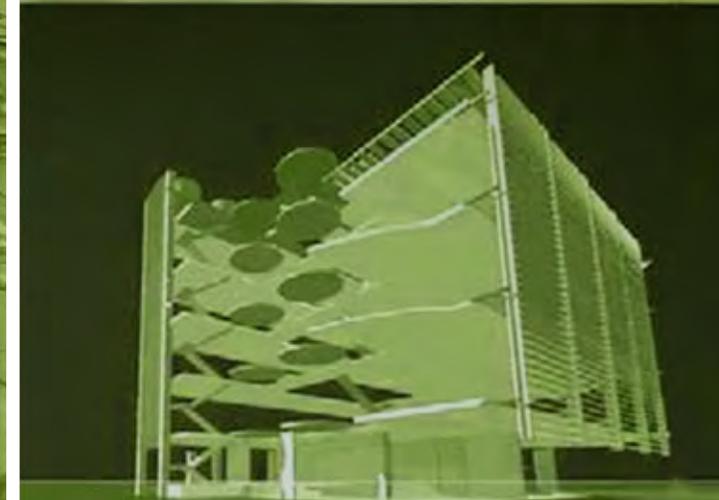
## Application Procedure

To complete the application process, prospective applicants should:

1. Submit a completed application form for the year in which entry is sought to the Admissions Department, University of Technology Jamaica.

2. Submit the following supplemental documents to the Office of the Caribbean School of Architecture (no later than June for entry in September):

3. A compact-sized copy of your Portfolio.

4. A statement of 500 words in support of your application to study to become an Architect.
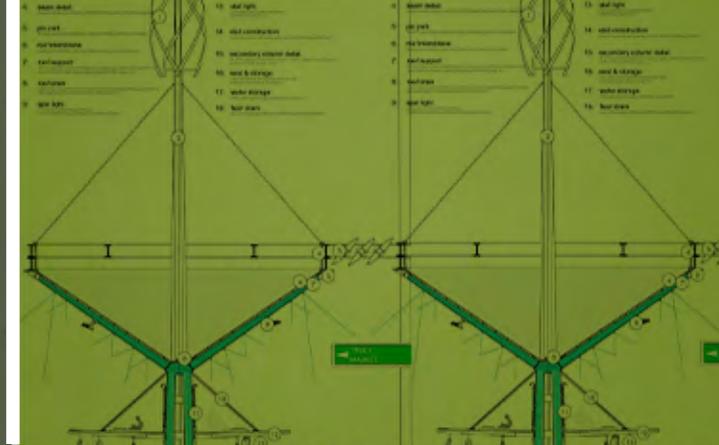
Applicants who are graduates with First Class or Upper Second Class honours may be exempted from the interview process. However, graduates with Lower Second Class honours will be interviewed.

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# M. Arch
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## Background

The Master of Architecture programme at the Caribbean School of Architecture is the premier professional programme of Architecture in the English Speaking Caribbean. The programme is internationally accredited by the Commonwealth Association of Architects (2022) and in all countries of the former Commonwealth, providing for our graduates a choice of locations from which to practice their profession.

## Objective

The Master's Degree programme is a professional course of study designed for those who have made a commitment to become Architects. As a graduate programme it calls for students who are mature and self-motivated. The programme fosters a disciplined approach to designing, writing, time management, presentation skills and most especially in the level of critical thought.

The programme aims to fulfil two complementary objectives. Firstly, to educate architects to a high professional level, and secondly, to develop for the student and the School, a strong research base. These aims are mutually supportive—by learning how to research the student tackles new tasks with confidence.

## Study Tours

A major component of the programme is the 2-week Study Tour to a major metropolitan centre, which offers participants an opportunity to locate the theoretical constructs of the urban environment within the constructed realities of established metropoles. Cities visited on recent tours have included New York City, Washington D.C. Boston, Chicago, Mexico City. Future plans include visits to Curitiba, Brazil, and Santiago, Cuba.

## Research

Graduate Students are challenged with making appropriate sustainable responses to climate change within the Caribbean and the global context of Small Island Developing States (SIDS.). The School's research agenda also engages the varied histories, cultures and complexities of high and low resources impacting Caribbean Architecture.

Research is conducted as part of, or independent of, the curriculum, under the auspices of the School. Valuable areas of research include: Urban Development Issues, Sustainability; Housing Delivery Systems; Historical Studies; Landscape, Climate and resources; Construction cost Indexing; Conservation and Regeneration.



## Facilities

The programme offers specialized facilities and resources, including dedicated design studio space, exclusive computer labs with internet access, printing facilities, seminar/pin-up room, access to the visual archive, UTech, Ja. Library and all national libraries.

## Programme Structure

Offered over four full-time semesters, the Master of Architecture provides a suite of courses aimed at connecting architectural design with the theoretical and philosophical underpinnings of the discipline. Courses are structured within the subject areas of History & Theory, Technology, Design Studio, Management, and Independent Research.



## Required courses

M.Arch 1
Design Studio…………………………......…..…....18 cr.
Critical Theories in Architecture …..…......….….6 cr.
Construction, Structure & Services…...…........... 6 cr.
Architecture & the Environment……......…… ...3 cr.
Architectural Management …………......…...…. 3 cr.

M.Arch 2
Design Studio…………………………......…..…....20 cr.
Research and Dissertation …..…....................…….8 cr.
Architectural Management …………......…...…. 3 cr.