

International Master Manuscript Cultures

Application information

Application period: 1 June - 15 July (winter semester)

Semester start: 1 October (winter semester)

Language(s) of instruction: English

The MA programme Manuscript Cultures aims to convey within a one-year course (60 CP) central topics in the field of general manuscript research combined with specific skills. The course of studies promotes the independent, analytical handling of manuscripts, the cultural-scientific examination of the texts, images, notes and diagrams contained therein, the scientific material analysis of the manuscripts and the development of creative approaches for solving complex scientific and scholarly questions. The study program covers a broad spectrum of manuscript cultures, especially in Asia, Africa and Europe.

Admission requirements

(List of all admission requirements as per the current admission bylaws)

University degree

A first qualifying degree (BA/Mag. Art./Diplom) from a German or recognized foreign university in one of the subjects taught in the programme (African Studies and Linguistics, Ethiopian Studies, Ancient History, Assyriology, Austronesian Studies, Classical Greek Studies, Historical Musicology, Indology, Islamic Studies, Japanese Studies, Jewish Philosophy and Religion, Art history, Medieval and Modern History, Sinology, Thai Studies, Turkology) or a related one;

In exceptional cases, the above access requirements may be derogated from the fact that due to special circumstances, at least equivalent qualification and suitability may be assumed.

If you have not received your degree certificate yet, you can submit this by the end of the first semester of your master's program. Please see the "Documents to submit" section below for details.

Additional special admission requirements

Certificate of language skills in English at B2 level.

For details of the legal basis for this regulation, please see the admission bylaws for your chosen degree program: www.uni-hamburg.de/zugang-master

Recognition of transcripts for degree programs completed at foreign higher education institutions

If you obtained your first degree abroad, your certificate will be reviewed during the application procedure in the Faculty of Humanities.

If your degree certificate is not in *English or German*, please include a certified English or German translation of this together with your application documents.

Application

Online application

You will need to complete the online application available on Universität Hamburg's application portal during the application period: www.uni-hamburg.de/online-bewerbung
Please create a user account, enter your information online, and submit your application electronically.

You will then need to print out your online application and submit it together with the following documents to the application address indicated below.

Documents to submit

Please submit uncertified copies of all documents. For documents not issued in English or German, a certified English or German translation is required.

- **Signed printout of your online application**

- **Degree certificate or provisional Transcript of Records**
If you are still studying when you apply and cannot yet provide a final certificate containing your grades, please submit your current Transcript of Records confirming your provisional grade point average. You will then need to submit your degree certificate by the end of the first semester of your master's program.
- **Optional:** Please list all further program-specific documents (e.g., module descriptions, TM-BASE cognitive test, etc.).
- **Optional:** higher education entrance eligibility (e.g., *Abitur*, preliminary review documentation (VPD) from uni-assist, master craftsperson qualification, etc.) as required
- **Optional:** If proof of foreign language proficiency is required, please indicate that a paper copy of this proof must be provided.

Application address

Universität Hamburg
Asien-Afrika-Institut
Abteilung für Afrikanistik und Äthiopistik
Univ.-Prof. Dr. Alessandro Bausi
Edmund-Siemers Allee 1
20146 Hamburg, Germany

(At the same address—Department of African Linguistics and Ethiopian Studies—a publicly accessible mailbox is available.)

Please note that your application can only be considered if your complete application documents reach the **application address** by the application deadline. The date on which your application is received and not the postmark is decisive! This deadline is final; no extensions can be granted.

Please bind all supporting documents required for your application or ensure that loose pages are otherwise bound. The printout of your online application should be the top page. Do not use paper clips, folders, or transparent sleeves.

If you want to submit an **additional special application** (e.g., hardship application), you will need to send this directly to the Application and Admissions Team (Team Bewerbung und Zulassung) together with the required proof separately from the application documents indicated above by the application deadline. For more information on special applications, please see www.uni-hamburg.de/sonderantrag and www.uni-hamburg.de/info-master.

Selection criteria

If the number of applicants exceeds the number of places available, a selection procedure will be necessary:

According to the results of the first qualification, a maximum of twice as many applicants as available places are selected from the applications. In the case of grades, the grade of university entrance qualification shall decide; if this is equal, the lot decides.

The selected candidates are invited to submit a portfolio. The portfolio must include a curriculum vitae, previous studies with an average score, as well as the relevant individual details of the first professional qualification, the profile of the studies as well as details of the linguistic focus.

On the basis of the portfolios, the selection committee consisting of 2 teachers with an examination qualification of the course of studies will make the total selection for all available study places. The Commission may, in case of doubt, carry out a 15 to 30 minutes conversation with individual applicants.

The essential results of the selection procedure and possible selection discussions, in particular the weighting of the individual criteria as determined by the selection committee, are recorded in minutes.

For details of the legal basis for this regulation, please see the selection bylaws for your chosen master's program: www.uni-hamburg.de/auswahl-master

Admission and enrollment

Once your application has been reviewed, an acceptance or rejection letter will be made available in your STiNE account under the *Dokumente* (Documents) tab. Please see the information on applying online for a master's program for details of when this will become available: Please select. An enrollment deadline will be indicated in your acceptance letter— please submit the documents required for enrollment to the Application and Admissions Team (Team Bewerbung und Zulassung) by this date. Please submit certified copies of all documents—see www.uni-hamburg.de/beglaubigung for details.

FAQs

(Optional—this section can be deleted if there are no FAQs)

A link to FAQs is helpful and recommended here. The information should be made available online, allowing the FAQs to also be updated during the current application period.

Contact

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List of comparable degree programs (positive/negative catalog)

(Optional—this section can be deleted if no list is available)

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