

BACHELOR AUGMENTED AND VIRTUAL REALITY DESIGN APPLICATION PROCEDURE 2023/24 FOR APPLICANTS WITH INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE CERTIFICATE

The application procedure for the BA Augmented and Virtual Reality Design at the University of Applied Sciences Darmstadt for the academic year 2024/25 consists of two parts:

Part 1: FORMAL APPLICATION VIA UNI ASSIST | Deadline: 1st of June 2024

Part 2: APPLICATION FOR ARTISTIC ENTRANCE EXAMINATION | 1st of June 2024

ACADEMIC APPLICATION PREREQUISITES

In order to enrol in the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design Bachelor Program, you will need a valid University Entrance Certificate. If you obtain your University Entrance Certificate only after the application deadline, you must submit a certification of enrolment from your school and the last two school reports. If you do not have a University Entrance Certificate at all and do not expect to obtain it in the year of your application, you may apply for admission based on outstanding artistic aptitude. All applicants must give proof of English language proficiency through a Level B2 Certificate or equivalent. The validity of all academic certificates required for the formal application is verified by UNI ASSIST, a public service agency for international student applications in Germany.

PART 1: FORMAL APPLICATION VIA UNI-ASSIST

The University of Applied Sciences Darmstadt is a member university within the UNI ASSIST Association. Upon payment of a handling fee, uni-assist pre-checks which entitlement study applicants have to study in Germany based upon the guidelines of the German Central Office for Foreign Education (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen, ZaB). So in order to formally apply for the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design Programme please first of all register on the UNI ASSIST online portal: www.uni-assist.de

After creating your account, fill out and submit the required applicant information. Upon completion, an application form will be provided which you must download and sign. You will be guided online through the entire formal application process up to the submission of documents which is contact-free (file upload; link will be provided). You must submit the signed application form along with the following documents:

- 1) School leaving certificate
- 2) Depending on your country of origin, a certificate proving that you have passed the University Entrance Examination
- 3) If you have already studied in your home country, please also send in documentation confirming your years of study
- 4) English Language Certificate (Level B2 or equivalent, e.g. IELTS, TOEFL, Cambridge)

- 5) Copy of your passport

IMPORTANT: The documents under 1)-5) must be provided both in form of scans from the original as well as in form of sworn translations either in English or German language.

Don't forget to pay the handling fees! Your complete application and your payment must be received by UNI ASSIST within the application deadline: 1st of June 2024

If you have any questions regarding the formal application procedure please refer to the Student Service Center of Hochschule Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences under: E-Mail: international@h-da.de // Phone: +49.6151.533-5553

STAGE 2: APPLICATION FOR THE ARTISTIC ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

The application for the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design Artistic Entrance Examination must be submitted to Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences digitally by data upload. In order to take the Artistic Entrance Examination you must complete and submit the following elements:

- 1) Entrance Examination Application Form
Complete the Entrance Examination Application Form provided at the end of this document. Include your application number and don't forget to sign the declaration of honesty.
- 2) Curriculum vitae in English language
Please include experiences (work experience or internships) and skills (e.g. software skills) related to the field of study, as well as civic activities (if applicable).
- 3) Motivation statement
Explain your motivation to study Augmented and Virtual Reality Design in English language on a separate typed sheet. Length: ca. 2300 characters including spaces. Answer the questions provided in the Entrance Examination Application Form
- 4) Digital portfolio with 3 work samples
The work samples should be related to the field of 3D experiences, concepts, virtual- or augmented reality, 2D/3D games, 2D/3D graphics, 360° video, concept art, storyboards, corresponding prototypes, etc. Please note:
 - You may submit a maximum of 3 digital work samples. However, each work sample can be a project consisting of several related elements.
 - If you submit a digital game or digital VR/AR-experience, you must include a gameplay/interaction video. Unity project files are not allowed.
 - Make sure that all files run flawlessly and use common industrial standard file formats.

SUBMISSION: Please upload all elements related to the Artistic Examination Application to Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences digitally until 01.06.2024 through the following link:

Link: <https://cloud.h-da.de/s/8RSxgRo7D6s8oS2> Passwort: EP_WiSe2024

IMPORTANT:

- Label every single file you submit according to the following standard:
applicationnumber.lastname.filename (examples: 9896994_Williams_Motivationstatement;
9896994_Williams_Worksampl1)

- Before uploading your data, combine them in one ZIP-file.

- Label this ZIP-file with your application number and your last name as follows:

applicationnumber.lastname.avrdportfolio.zip

- If you are unable to create a ZIP-file you may resolve to uploading all files separately. Make sure to name every single as specified above

- PLEASE NOTE: If your files are corrupt or not labelled in an identifiable manner, you will not receive admission to the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design Entrance Examination.

ADMISSION AND ENROLMENT

The final admission to the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design programme is based on the outcome of your formal UNI ASSIST application in combination with your Artistic Entrance Examination result.

If, according to the UNI ASSIST pre-check, you have direct entitlement to study and you have passed the Artistic Entrance Examination (minimum score: 60 out of 100 points), you will receive a letter of acceptance with all important information about the enrolment.

If you have no entitlement to study according to the UNI ASSIST pre-check, final admission and enrollment may still be given - provided you give proof of "outstanding artistic aptitude" in the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design Entrance Examination. "Outstanding artistic aptitude" is given if you achieve a minimum score of 90 out of 100 points. A passed Artistic Entrance Examination is valid for two continued examination periods.

If, according to the UNI ASSIST pre-check you receive indirect entitlement and you have passed the Entrance Examination with the required minimum score of 60 points, you must take the "Studienkolleg" – a preparatory course. Before being accepted for the Studienkolleg, you need to pass an entrance test. This test assesses your command of German and your basic knowledge in your chosen subject area. Even though the language of instruction for the study program you apply for is English, you need sufficient German language skills in order to get the invitation for the Studienkolleg preparatory course entrance test.

Entrance Examination Application Form 2024

B.A. Augmented and Virtual Reality Design

Uni Assist Application Number:		
Last Name	First Name	Gender
Date of Birth	Place of Birth	
Country	Post Code	Phone Number
City	Street	E-Mail

1. I have applied at Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences for the Bachelor AVR D (formerly Expanded Realities) previously and have taken the Entrance Examination before.

- No Yes, in the year _____
- I passed the Entrance Examination
- I did not pass the Entrance Examination

2. I have enclosed my CV in English language Yes No

You curriculum vitae should include:

- Education
- Artistic, musical, technical or scientific interests, civic activities (if applicable)
- Practical experience, competencies and software skills related to the creation of XR (AR/VR) experiences or comparable (e.g. games, interactive media)

3. I do not have a university entrance qualification to study in Germany. Therefore I apply for the "Outstanding artistic aptitude" in the AVR D Entrance Examination.

No

Yes

4. I have enclosed my motivational statement

No

Yes

Explain your motivation to study Animation & Game in English language on a separate typed sheet. Length: ca. 2300 characters including spaces. Answer the following questions:

1. Give a brief outline of your experiences in the field of Augmented and Virtual Reality and how they influenced your decision to apply for this programme.
2. What are your career goals and in which way do you expect the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design programme to support you in reaching these goals?
3. Which elements and characteristics of the Augmented and Virtual Reality Design do you consider particularly interesting and relevant?
4. Name your particular personal strengths, skills and talents which in your opinion qualify you for studying Augmented and Virtual Reality Design.

5. Portfolio Form

Give a short description each work sample/project in your digital portfolio. Include: title, genre, format, year of production, technologies used, number of components/elements. In case of team projects clearly identify your personal contribution. If you used third party resources such as concepts, artwork, models, assets or code identify these clearly [Credits/References].

Work Sample 1	Title and description	Credits and References
Work Sample 2	Title and description	Credits and References

Work Sample 3	Title and description	Credits and References

6. I hereby declare that my digital portfolio is based on unaided work. I have specified all elements within the submitted body of work that result from joint authorship or that were taken from other sources.

Date, Place	Signature

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Parental/Guardian Consent Form for Minor Applicants

I/we hereby give consent for my/our child to apply for the B.A. Expanded Realities at Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences in Darmstadt, Germany and take the Expanded Realities Entrance Examination.

LAST NAME OF CHILD	FIRST NAME OF CHILD
CHILD'S DATE OF BIRTH	CHILD'S ADDRESS
LAST NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN 1	FIRST NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN 1
DATE, PLACE	SIGNATURE
LAST NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN 2	FIRST NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN 2
DATE, PLACE	SIGNATURE

