

Application and admission information

Master Mechanical Engineering

APPLICATION PERIODS

Summer semester (starting in March):

Applicants who graduated in Germany or EU: November 1st – January 15th
Applicants with international degrees (Non-EU countries): October 1st – December 1st

Winter semester (starting in September):

Applicants who graduated in Germany or EU: May 1st – July 15th
Applicants with international degrees (Non-EU countries): April 1st – June 1st

PREREQUISITES

Applicants who graduated in Germany, EU or NON-EU countries:

Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) or Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) in Mechanical Engineering.
The previous Bachelor's degree must be equal to **210 credit points (CP)** based on the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). The overall grade of the Bachelor's degree must be at least equivalent to a grade of **2.5** in the German grading system to participate in the selection process for admission.

If you hold a Bachelor's degree with 180 CP based on the ECTS, an application is possible with an overall grade of 2.5 or better. In this case, conditional admission may be offered. This can prolong your studies for one semester or more because you have to successfully pass 30 CP from our Bachelor degree in addition. Those classes are either in German or English.

Bachelor's degrees from other fields of engineering can be taken into consideration. In this case a **letter of motivation** is required (exception THL alumni with Bachelor's degree Wirtschaftsingenieurwesen, majoring in Mechanical Engineering).

Important notice to international applicants:

Academic credits gained are not always comparable worldwide. Although having the same name, qualification levels may differ from country to country. Therefore, not all 4-years-bachelor's programs are considered equivalent to 210 CP based on ECTS.

Uni-assist is THL's partner during the application process. All applicants with international documents have to apply through uni-assist.de.

Uni-assist evaluates an applicant's academic degree according to standards specified by the German Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs (KMK). The standards can be checked at www.anabin.de (German).

Special notice to applicants from India and Pakistan:

Past experience has shown that many Bachelor's degrees from India or Pakistan (Bachelor of Engineering or Technology) are not equivalent to 210 CP based on ECTS.

LANGUAGE SKILLS REQUIREMENTS

The program is taught in English. The thesis project is carried out in the German industry. **English and German language** proficiency have to be proven as shown below:

Proof of a good knowledge of **English at level B2** according to the Common European Framework of Reference can be made by:

- A test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with good results
- Or a comparable internationally recognized English test result that provides evidence of the corresponding language level, e.g. IELTS, Cambridge

Applicants are exempt from providing an English language test certificate, if they fulfill one of the following criteria:

- English was the official language during school education
- A minimum of 5 years continuous language lessons in English during school education
- At least six months of study or work in an English-speaking country
- English was the official language of study qualifying for the Mechanical Engineering qualifying degree program

Proof of a good knowledge of **German at level B1** according to the Common European Framework of Reference can be made by:

- Internationally acknowledged language test, minimum level B1 based on the CEFR (= Common European Framework for References), e.g. Goethe

Applicants are exempt from providing an English language test certificate, if they fulfill one of the following criteria:

- German was the official language during school education.
- German was the official language of the study program qualifying 'Master of Science Mechanical Engineering'.

Please note: Applicants with a German level A2 based on the CEFR may receive conditional admission and are expected to continue their German language education during their studies until B1 level.

Please add your language certificates to the application documents listed below. Belated submission of language certificates is not possible.

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

	To be submitted by applicants with a German <u>or</u> EU - degree	To be submitted by applicants with a degree from all other countries
Bachelor Degree Certificate	required	required
Transcript of Records	required	required
Diploma Supplement	to be submitted if issued by university	to be submitted if issued by university

CV	not required	required
Letter of Motivation	only necessary for specific degrees see above	not required

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applicants with a German degree

You are asked to apply directly via our application portal on our website ([see here](#)). More information can be found on the above mentioned website. Please click 'Bewerbung Master' and read the information provided (in particular if you have not yet completed your bachelor's degree).

Graduates or future graduates please apply through our application portal.

At least 180 CP and a current grade point average of minimum 2.5 (German grading system) are required for an application. In addition, proof of registration for the bachelor's thesis must be submitted, should this not be evident from the transcript of records (QIS).

Note: THL graduates with Bachelor's degrees from other fields of engineering have to submit a letter of motivation (exception THL alumni with Bachelor's degree Wirtschaftsingenieurwesen, majoring Mechanical Engineering – please see above).

Applicants with a degree outside from Germany (EU and Non-EU)

All applicants with international degrees (EU and Non-EU) have to apply via [uni-assist's online portal](#). Please check the uni-assist-website to ensure submission of all further necessary application documents. Additional documents might be required based on your country of origin. Please see the information provided by uni-assist for more details.

We participate in the online-only application process. You can upload all the documents for an online-only application into your [My assist](#) account – even without official certification. Please do not send documents by post to uni-assist. The originals have to be presented at the time of enrollment.

Please note: Uni-assist will process your application only if you pay the handling fee (75 Euro). Please do not use the university website's portal for German applicants. As an international applicant it is not possible to apply with an unfinished degree.

Application for an additional master's degree

Applicants with a German Master's degree apply directly via our application portal ([see here](#)). Additional requirements:

- certificate of regular period of studies
- letter of motivation
- degree certificates

>> Applicants with other degrees from EU or Non-EU please apply via uni-assist. <<

Applicants for a higher semester

An application is possible directly via our application portal for a higher semester ([see here](#)). You need to fulfill the entry requirements regarding your prior degree, grade, language competency and CP (see above, page 1).

Attachments required: All mentioned documents (see above under application documents) and original or official authentication and sworn translation of transcript of records (Bachelor and Master), Bachelor's degree certificate and module catalogue.

A minimum of transferable examinations (15 CP based on ECTS) in Mechanical Engineering is required. Admission can only be offered, if places are available.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Applicants with a German or EU-degree:

Notifications of admission will be sent within three weeks after the application deadline to you via our application portal. You can check your current application status in the application portal. You will receive the access data after registration in the application portal.

Applicants with international degrees (Non-EU countries):

You can check your application status via [My.Uni-assist](#). There they will inform you, if something is missing. Only if this step is completed successfully, your application will be considered in the official selection procedure.

A decision about admission will be sent to you within four weeks after the application deadline to you via application portal.

Please note: Admission is highly competitive. The number of students admitted is limited to 15 students per semester (German AND international students together).

We appreciate your interest and wish you the best of success with your application.