

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 or EU:

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 European Bachelor's degree with 180 ECTS, an application is possible with an overall grade of 1.8 or better. Conditional admission may be offered. This can prolong your studies for one semester.

Bachelor's degrees from other fields of engineering (210 CP and minimum grade 2.5) can be taken into consideration. In this case a **letter of motivation** is required (exception THL alumni with Bachelor's degree Industrial Engineering, majoring in Mechanical Engineering).

Applicants with international degrees (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 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.

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 ECTS Points.

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 Bachelor's degrees from India or Pakistan (Bachelor of Engineering or Technology) are not equivalent to the required 210 ECTS Points. However, applicants might fulfill the requirement with an additional master's degree. Other experience (e.g. work experience) cannot be taken into account towards required credit points. At this point catch up programs are not provided.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

The program is taught in English. **English and German language** proficiency have to be proven.

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

- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
- or a comparable internationally recognized English test that provides evidence of the corresponding language level

Applicants are exempt from providing an English language test certificate, if they can prove 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.

Applicants from Non-German speaking countries must prove their **German language** proficiency with 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'.
- Internationally acknowledged language test, minimum level A2 based on the CEFR (= Common European Framework for References)

A German level B1 is required for admission. Applicants with a German level A2 based on the CEFR can receive a conditional admission and are expected to continue their German language education during their studies. Please add your language certificates to the application documents listed below.

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
Letter of Recommendation	not required	Two (2) letters of recommendation*
CV	not required	required
Letter of Motivation	only necessary for specific degrees see above	not required

*Two letters of recommendation

International applicants from non-EU-countries have to submit two (2) letters of recommendation by professors from their university of graduation.

These letters of recommendation must be submitted to uni-assist.de. They should be sent in a sealed envelope if this is common practice in the applicant's country.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applicants with a German degree

You are asked to apply directly via our application portal (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).

THL graduates also apply through the application portal. At least 180 CP and a current grade of at least 2.5 are required for 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 Industrial Engineering, 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. The registration with the uni-assist portal (My assist) is required. For certain countries of origin additional documents have to be submitted. Please see the information provided by uni-assist.

Please do not use the university website's portal for German applicants.

Note: uni-assist will process your application only if you pay the handling fee (75 Euro).

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. You do not need to send documents by post to uni-assist.

The originals have to be presented later directly at the university during enrollment.

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 apply via uni-assist.

Applicants for a higher semester

You need to fulfill entry requirements regarding degree, grade and ECTS (see above, Site 1). Application is possible directly via our application portal for higher semester (see [here](#)).

Attachments necessary: all mentioned documents (see above under Application documents) and also 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 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 two weeks after the application deadline to you via 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 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 one month 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.