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Artistic entrance examination 2021
Photography

Practical information about the artistic entrance examination for permission to enrol in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts Programme, specialization Photography, for the academic year 2021-2022

The Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts programme is only available to candidate students who have passed the artistic entrance examination.

The artistic entrance examination assesses your artistic insight, cultural knowledge, creativity, skills and motivation. This two-day test consists of different assignments and an interview during which we will also discuss your curriculum vitae, possible home assignments and your portfolio.

1 Dates

The artistic admission test will be organized on the following dates in 2021:

- **Session 1:** admission period will be organized on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 March 2021.

->> Registration possible until March 1

->> Uploading documents (CV, portfolio and motivation letter) possible until March 4

- **Session 2:** admission period will be held on Monday 5 and Tuesday 6 July 2021

->> Registration possible until June 15

->> Uploading documents (CV, portfolio and motivation letter) possible until June 18

- **Session 3:** admission period will be held on Thursday 2 and Friday 3 September 2021

->> Registration possible until August 23

->> Uploading documents (CV, portfolio and motivation letter) possible until August 26

One can only participate once per academic year in the artistic entrance exam for a specific specialization and option within the Visual Arts programme. It is however possible to participate in the entrance exam for different specializations and options in the same year.

1.1 IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CANDIDATES OUTSIDE THE EEA

Candidate students from outside the EEA are strongly advised to take part in the artistic admission test in March or July. Candidate students from outside the EEA must submit their application for a student visa as soon as possible after they have passed the artistic admission test. Only then can they obtain the necessary visa in time to attend classes from the start of the academic year and gain the necessary access to the Academy's buildings and facilities.

2 Registration and payment

You can register for an artistic entrance exam online, on https://inschrijven.ap.be. In order to participate in an artistic entrance exam**, you must pay a non-refundable** administrative fee of 25 euros, to be paid in advance, during the online registration.

We would like to receive your payment no later than:

Session 1: Tuesday, March 2

Session 2: Wednesday, June 16

Session 3: Tuesday, August 24

➔ Please note that your payment may take a few days to arrive.

3 Practical information: session 1

The admission test and interviews will take place digitally.

After registration and payment, you will go through the following steps.

The link where you can upload your files (cv, portfolio, motivation letter and assignments) and the link where the assignments for the practical test will be released, will be sent to you by e-mail.

3.1 To be submitted in advance

1 CV indicating the studies carried out.

2 Letter of motivation with a very clear indication of why you choose this specialization.

3 Portfolio

➔ Merge your CV , motivation letter and portfolio in one file (PDF)
➔ File name: use your personal name, so that we know to whom it belongs.
Example filename : name_familyname_portfolio_en.pdf
➔ Upload your files via the link that will be sent to you by e-mail

➔ Submitting possible until March 4

3.2 Course of this 2-day test

Day 1 Assignment: Monday March 8

1)The assignment for the essay (based on quotes from well-known photographers from which you can choose) will be released on March 8 at 9:00 GMT + 2 hours via the link.

➔ This essay must be submitted on March 8 before 12:00 GMT + 2 hours via the link.
➔ Upload your essay in PDF

2) A short text that is the starting point for the assignment for the practical test + a substantive question will be discussed during the interview **Day 1 and Day 2.**

At 12:00 GMT + 2 hours (if the essay has been submitted) the assignment + a substantive question will be released via the link.

➔ The assignment must be submitted on **Day 1 on March 8 before 23:59 GMT + 2 hours** via the link.
➔ Combine your documents in one file (PDF, JPG)

Day 1 and Day 2 Interview: Monday March 8 and Tuesday March 9

The committee will give you an appointment by e-mail.
The interview will take place with the e-mail address entered in your webregistration via
Skype.
If you want to use a different e-mail address or you want to do the interview via Teams,
please let us know.

4 Description: Assignment and Interview

Assignments

Write a paper based on submitted quotes on photography + an artistic assignment. These assignments will be released on day 1 (March 8) through the link, which will be sent to you by e-mail.

Interview

Where we look at your motivation, cultural interests and artistic background, discuss your portfolio and curriculum vitae and the evaluation of the photo series.

5 Results admission test

On Friday March 12 you will receive a message whether or not you have passed the artistic entrance exam, along with some further information.

6 Passed the artistic entrance exam?

If you have passed the artistic entrance exam and if you also meet the diploma and language requirements, you can enrol in your chosen specialization in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts Programme for the academic year 2021-2022 or the academic year 2022-2023.

To enroll, you must also meet the diploma and language requirements by the beginning of the academic year:

- September 20, 2021 for academic year 2021-2022
- September 21, 2022 for academic year 2022-2023

After passing the entrance exam, you will receive an e-mail from us with all the information needed in order to enrol.

Read more about the admission requirements on https://ap-arts.be/en/academy.