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- Changes in contemporary lifestyle and working life have been manifested in the transformation of the European city at the beginning of the 21st century. Current design problems need to be resolved in an historic cultural setting and in the context of complex, pre-existing structures.
- The architecture culture of Europe has been Pioneer land to date: sustainability, complexity, diversity, participation processes in urban design & architecture, open and experimental strategies, methods and discourses are key qualities.
- Multi-dimensional design and planning processes, flat hierarchies and transparent communication strategies are integral parts of the democratic planning and building culture of Europe.
- Estonia is one of the Europe’s Baltic ‘Tiger’ countries, successful start-up companies, English language widely spoken, homeland of Skype.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

15 April  Non-EU
1 May   EU, Turkey, Georgia, Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and those individuals from countries that do not require a visa to enter Estonia (USA, Canada, Australia, Japan, Brazil, Guatemala, Israel, Mexico, Macedonia, South Korea)
21 August  Finland

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TUT and the Partner Institutions:

- The Reiseuni_Lab is an interdisciplinary architectural research network that has been connecting cities in productive cooperation and exchange between universities, schools of fine art, non-academic institutions, university faculties and postgraduate students since 2010.
- Estonia: Tallinn University of Technology, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Department of Architecture & Urban Studies (responsible Mother Institution)
- Portugal: UAL Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa, Departamento de Arquitectura, (Partner of Double Degree)
- Austria: University of Innsbruck, Faculty of Architecture
- Slovenia: University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture
- Israel: NB School of Design Haifa, Faculty of Architecture
- Germany: University of Art, Berlin HZT, Inter-University Centre for Dance, Berlin, with the Bauhaus Dessau Foundation
- Finland: Alvar Aalto Academy
- Germany: Reiseuni_lab, Dagmar Jäger, Christian Pieper with members, Berlin
- All partner universities run studios where students can work together with local students 24/7, which are located in the historic cities, departments and/or architecture faculties.

KEY FEATURES

- Rethinking European Cities: the tremendous transformation of the European city requires individuals who are able to perceive things in association, as team-generalists.
- International education: the programme is a unique approach to research based education; it combines the idea of the classical artist journey with the interdisciplinary, project-orientated workshop tradition and teamwork, studio work and excursions.
- The two-year training consists of 11 workshops + the Master’s Thesis, and it takes place at 6 different universities in Tallinn, Lisbon, Haifa, Berlin-Dessau, Innsbruck and Ljubljana.
STRUCTURE OF THE CURRICULUM

The curriculum is composed of a sequence of 8 project workshops, 3 design reflection workshops and the Master’s Thesis lasting 5 months.

1st SEMESTER: 3 WORKSHOPS, 30 ECTS

Baltic Sea Area & Nordic Countries: Architectural Projects, Strategies & Reflections
WS1 Design Reflection 1 (TUT)
WS2 Urban Strategies (Tallinn)
WS3 Architecture Project (Helsinki with TUT)
Studio Work in Tallinn, Excursion in the Baltic states, short term work in Finland

2nd SEMESTER: 4 WORKSHOPS, 30 ECTS

Central Europe & Israel: Transforming Contexts of Architecture, Art & City
WS4 Urban Intervention (Ljubljana)
WS5 Transforming Context (Haifa)
WS6 Spatial Strategies (Berlin, Dessau)
WS7 Programming Architecture (Innsbruck)
Studio Work & Excursions in Ljubljana, Haifa, Berlin/Dessau, Innsbruck

3rd SEMESTER: 3 WORKSHOPS, 30 ECTS

Lisbon & South Europe: Programming the City, Experiment & Reflection
WS8 Programming the City (Lisbon)
WS9 Experimental Design (South Europe)
WS 10 Design Reflection 2
Studio Work in Lisbon, Excursion in Portugal, short term work in Spain

4th SEMESTER: MASTER THESIS, 30 ECTS

Master’s Thesis in research teams with integrated WS11 Design Reflection 3 & Symposium (TUT & UAL & Partner Universities)

VISA AND TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT

All foreigners coming to Estonia for the purpose of studies must obtain a right of residence for the duration of their studies.

- EU Students: must register their place of residence in the City District Government office, and then apply for an ID-Card
- NON-EU students: must apply for Temporary Residence Permit (TRP) either in the closest Estonian consulate or in Estonia within one month of arrival, if arriving with a visa.

www.ttu.ee/temporary-residence-permit

ACCOMMODATION

- On campus accommodation in TUT – rent per person in a twin room in the dormitory is around €125 per month.
- Private rooms and apartments for rent in Tallinn – prices depend on the apartment, its location and size, staying generally between €200–400 per month + utilities.

- In the 5 following cities – Haifa, Ljubljana, Berlin-Dessau and Lisbon, the prices depend on the apartment and its location and size, staying generally between €250–450 per month.

www.ttu.ee/accommodation

LIVING EXPENSES

The cost of living in Estonia, compared to the rest of the EU, is rather affordable. The average monthly expenses for international students, including accommodation, transport, food and other expenses amounts to around €500 a month. For the other locations, students have to calculate an extra 200–300 EUR per month.

www.ttu.ee/cost-of-living

ESTONIA IN FACTS

- Location: North-eastern Europe
- Capital: Tallinn
- Member state of: EU, OECD, NATO, WTO
- Population: 1.3 million
- Currency: euro (€)
- Official language: Estonian
- Other languages: English, German, Finnish, Russian
- Climate: humid / temperate