

Admission requirements and portfolio items
HSE Graduate School of Urbanism Master Program
‘City and Technology: Prototyping Future Cities’

The maximum admission grade is 100 points. Interview is required for all applicants and can be arranged via videoconferencing.

Required items

Portfolio Item	Grade Range and Comments
<p>1. Properly recognized diploma or certificate</p> <p>Please, submit full transcript along with the diploma/certificate.</p>	<p>0 – 20 points</p> <p>If you have not yet received your Bachelor’s diploma, please include an official copy of your most recent academic transcript.</p>
<p>2. Two letters of recommendation (in English).</p> <p>Formats: scanned copy in *.pdf or *.jpeg</p>	<p>0 – 10 points</p> <p>A typical letter of recommendation should contain referee’s: full name; position; workplace; academic degree; phone number; email.</p>
<p>3. Resume / CV (in English)</p> <p>Formats: *.doc, *.docx, *.odf or *.pdf</p>	<p>0 – 10 points</p> <p>Please submit a standard CV, including, at a minimum, your educational achievements, work and research experience, publications (if any), and language knowledge.</p>
<p>4. Filled out application form Choose “City and Technology” at https://www.hse.ru/admissions/graduate-apply</p>	<p>Not graded.</p>
<p>5. Letter of Motivation (in English)</p> <p>Formats: *.doc, *.docx, *.odf or *.pdf</p>	<p>0-30 points</p> <p>This letter (1.5 – 3 pages) should describe your reasons for applying to this programme, in the context of your long-term career goals and background.</p>
<p>6. Interview (in English)</p>	<p>0-30 points</p> <p>Key criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • erudition • critical literature review • spoken English • clarity of intent • interest in the topic • basic research and design skills

English language requirements*

Type of certificate	Minimum required level
IELTS	No less than 6.5
TOEFL IBT (Internet Based)	No less than 85
TOEFL PBT (Paper Based)	No less than 500
CAE (Certificate of Advanced English)	certificate
CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English)	certificate
BEC Vantage/Higher (Business English Certificate)	certificate

* Applicants who have graduated from programs taught in English are not required to provide an additional certificate