



## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2022

**For the Artistic Research PhD Programme (PhD in Art) at the University of Applied Arts Vienna**

**Application period: 10 February – 24 February, 2022 (noon, CET)  
exclusively via the Angewandte Application Tool (<https://application.uni-ak.ac.at/>)  
Start of studies: October 2022**

The University of Applied Arts Vienna invites potential candidates to apply for the Artistic Research PhD Programme (PhD in Art). The Artistic Research PhD Programme is a postgraduate course of study in the field of art. The programme of study, conducted in English, concludes with the award of an internationally recognised PhD degree (see [curriculum](#)).

The course of study is organised around the themes and practices of artistic research, whereby the focus is on artistic work that is understood as the basis for knowledge production. Reflection on and exploration of specific methods and production processes in each student's realisation of his/her artistic project is integrated into its development as a critical component of the research work. The thesis consists of artistic work, and reflexive documentation of the knowledge gained yielded by the project. Research, understood in the sense of comprehensive knowledge production, is defined as an open-ended process. The supervisors are professors at the Angewandte, recommended by the commission responsible for selecting the candidates.

Of particular importance among the selection criteria (see [admission procedure](#)) are up-to-dateness, innovation potential and prospective social relevance of the planned artistic research activity, and the demonstration of knowledge of the national and international research context. Proof of general eligibility for postgraduate university admission (e.g. evidence of a completed, subject-relevant diploma or master programme at a university or college of higher education) and the favourable completion of the [admission procedure](#) is necessary. In addition to providing proof of qualification in terms of artistic development – documented by submitting a CV and a portfolio of artistic work – candidates must also submit a written exposé.

The documents for the admission procedure are:

- CV incl. biographically and academically relevant dates,
- Portfolio,
- Exposé, outlining the planned activity within the field of artistic research (max. 1,200 words, incl. footnotes, excl. abstract and bibliography).

The exposé should include the explicit research question and discuss the research context, methodology, project goal and ideas for reflexive documentation while also providing a contextual and temporal plan for the project's realisation. Please also include a paragraph indicating the field of your artistic research in relation to a potential supervisor<sup>1</sup> at the University of Applied Arts Vienna (person holding an artistic *venia docendi*). The proposal should be preceded by an abstract (max. 300 words), including the explicit research question. All documents should be English and compiled into a single PDF file, no larger than 50 MB. The PDF may contain links for downloading relevant material in widely used digital formats. Please be aware that applications that exceed the requirements will not be considered.

The application has to be uploaded online via the Angewandte Application tool: <https://application.uni-ak.ac.at/>. The application tool is open from 10 February to 24 February, 2022. Applicants have to create and confirm a profile and upload the application document.

The results of the admission procedure will be communicated to applicants by August 2022 at the latest. Admission to the programme does not imply the financing of the research.

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<sup>1</sup> *It is up to the commission to evaluate this part and to check the adequacy and availability of the potential colleague. You neither need to, nor should you, provide evidence of such colleagues' availability, letters of their support, or reviews of your work prior to your submission.*