



ADMISSION & APPLICATION INFOSHEET Human-Computer Interaction (Joint Master)

Phase 1: Online Application

Apply online at <https://application.fh-salzburg.ac.at>

Please provide the following information for your online application:

- High School diploma (Matura, Abitur, A-levels, ...)
- Bachelor's diploma, diploma supplement (including course duration, description of the content and credits) and / or transcript of records including course titles, credit hours & grades, final GPA
- CV (in English)
- Letter of Motivation describing your motivation, objectives and expectations for Human-Computer Interaction by answering the following 3 questions (see information below, maximum 1 page in total, in English)
- Short Video Self-Introduction (max. 3min as a download link, see detailed information below)
- Copy of passport
- Bachelor Thesis (if already finished)

Letter of Motivation

describing your motivation, objectives and expectations for Human-Computer Interaction by answering the following 3 questions (*maximum 1 page in total, in English*)

Question 1:

Name an aspect of HCI that fascinates you and explain why?

Question 2:

Name and explain one core competence that you bring with you as well as which three competences you are most eager to learn in this degree programme.

Question 3:

What are your plans after finishing your HCI master?

Short Video Self-Introduction

The video should be a maximum of 3min long. Please focus on the content, no professional video is required!

Provide the video as a download link within your motivational letter (f.e. wetransfer, dropbox, google drive or other file transfer services) and make sure that the link works until your chosen interview date. Please try to compress your video to keep the file size at an acceptable level.

Please start your video with:

My name is...

My educational and/or professional background is...

and answer the following question:

How do you see your work in HCI contributing to a societal challenge?

Name and explain a specific area that you are most interested in and describe a possible approach you could imagine yourself exploring during your studies by formulating an example solution.

Describe the interactions with the system/artefact.

What is needed to be able to implement it (argue for a necessary technology)?

What questions need to be addressed (e.g. main challenges in regards to technology and application context)

Please note:
The video will be assessed based on the content and what you say, not based on the production quality!
Be sure to follow the instructions exactly!
Further questions about the motivational letter and the video will not be answered!

Phase 2: Preselection & Notification of Interview

After your online application a team of experts from University of Salzburg and Salzburg University of Applied Sciences will review your documents and decide, whether you will be recommended for phase 3 of the admission process. Your application is evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Key competences for the intended Master's programme
- Motivation, objectives and expectations of the studies
- Previous academic achievements or practical experience
- Exceptionality of the applicant profile

Please complete your application as fully as possible and upload all necessary documents. The pre-selection process for the interviews starts 2-3 weeks before the respective interview date. Subsequently submitted data can no longer be considered once the pre-selection process starts!

You will receive a notification, if your application is going to be considered for the next phase in the application process. Expect this notification at the latest one week before the interview.

Phase 3: Interview & Preparation Courses

The admission interview is held via videoconference with members of the staff of University of Salzburg and Salzburg University of Applied Sciences. The contents of this interview refer to the submitted documents and previous knowledge as well as to motivation and personal interests. The interview is conducted in English and lasts about 25 minutes.

Please note: during the interview, questions will also be asked about the previous knowledge in order to make a decision about the respective preparation courses. After the admission interview and a review of the application documents the programme committee decides which preparation courses will be mandatory for you. Preparation courses are integral part of your official letter of admission and you will only be approved in your studies after successfully completing the assigned preparation courses. Preparation courses will be held in advance to the regular courses at the beginning of September. The exact planning for the preparation courses will be announced in a timely manner.

Phase 4: Final Decision

After the interview and a review of your application documents the programme committee decides on the admission. Within a two-week period following the interview you will receive official notification of your status (accepted/waiting list/rejected).