

PRELIMINARY ENTRANCE ASSIGNMENTS FOR ARCHITECTURE DEPARTMENTS, 2010

'Arklantis'

A former sunken island has been found on the bottom of a dry lakebed. Some of the ancient buildings on the island, such as a multilevel town labyrinth on top of a hill, are astonishingly well preserved.

Reproduce the island discovered on the lakebed and the town on the island in three ways:

Assignment 1

Paint (for example, using watercolours, acrylics, or oils) the view from approximately one kilometre above the island.

Assignment 2

Draw (using lead or coloured pencils) a series of three views approaching the town.

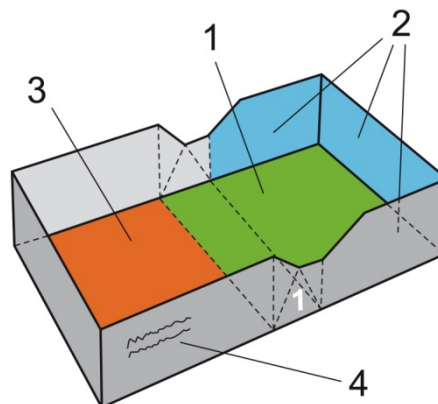
Assignment 3

Create a three-dimensional miniature model depicting one part of the town. The part chosen must be recognisable from assignments 1 and 2. Cut a person from cardboard and place the cut-out figure in the miniature model in order to indicate the dimensions and scale of the model.

It is recommended to make the miniature model from materials that are easy to shape. The most important thing is not to create a realistic atmosphere but to provide the sense of architectural space.

Implementation

The assignments are placed in Post Office packing box size 1 (measurements: 240 x 150 x 100 mm or a corresponding box) by gluing or using another appropriate attachment method as depicted in the



picture below:

1 Assignment 1 is placed on the bottom of the lid.

- 2 The three drawings for assignment 2 are placed on the side faces of the lid in such a manner that the picture with the longest viewing distance to the island and the town is on the left-hand side and the picture with the shortest viewing distance is in the right-hand picture.
- 3 The three-dimensional miniature model for assignment 3 is placed on the bottom of the box in such a manner that the box can be opened and closed.
- 4 The author's social security number (or date of birth) and signature are provided on the outer edge, covered by the lid of the box. By your signature, you verify that you have performed your assignment independently.

Execute the assignments according to the instructions given. An assignment executed differently than instructed may be rejected. In addition, perform the assignments in such a way that you can pack them as instructed. Any damage or disappearance of the assignments during shipping is your responsibility, so be careful.

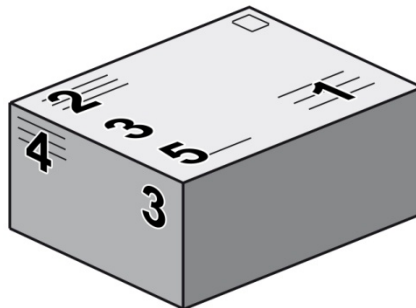
Evaluation criteria

The assignments are evaluated as a single entity. This assignments will be evaluated on the basis of the use of imagination, expression skills, three-dimensional aspects, and the neatness of the realisation.

Packing of the assignments

The preliminary assignments are realised, constructed and packed in accordance with the following instructions, in Post Office packing box size 1 (measurements: 240 x 150 x 100 mm or equivalent), which can be bought at postal offices.

Write the following information on the cardboard box, clearly and in large letters, in accordance with the instructions below:



- 1 The mailing address:
Arkkitehtuurin laitoksen valintakoekanslia
PL 11300
00076 AALTO

- 2 The information for return of post:
last name
all forenames
return address
- 3 The code letter for the examination place for which you have registered to take your exam:
H Helsinki University of Technology, Espoo
T Tampere University of Technology, Tampere
O Oulu University, Faculty of Technology, Oulu
- 4 For archive purposes:
last name
all forenames
- 5 The mark '**Valintakoe**' (meaning 'entrance exam')

Do not submit any supplementary material, such as reports, copies of the application form, or packing materials.

Return

Regardless of the chosen place of examination and department desired, the preliminary assignments must be returned to the entrance examination office of the Department of Architecture of Helsinki University of Technology by 16 April 2010 at 4:15pm. The submission address is:

Teknillinen korkeakoulu,
Arkkitehtuurin laitoksen valintakoekanslia,
PL 11300,
00076 AALTO.

The preliminary assignments must have arrived by the deadline; being postmarked by the due date is not sufficient.

If the assignments are delivered in person, hand them to the caretaker of the HUT Architecture Department before the deadline, again 16 April 2010 at 4:15pm at the latest. The visiting address is Otakaari 1 X, Espoo. Those assignments delivered personally must be packed in accordance with the instructions given.

NOTE: The application form is to be filled in and submitted at www.yliopistohaku.fi.

Results

The preliminary assignments are evaluated as a whole on the basis: approved or failed. The preliminary assignments do not contribute to the final scores, nor to the final selection. Their only function is to determine who will be eligible to participate in the next stage of the actual entrance examinations. A separate entrance exam guide will be mailed to those who qualify through the preliminary assignments. You may enquire as

to the results concerning the preliminary assignments by phone by contacting the entrance examination office of the HUT Department of Architecture on 28 April 2010 from 12:00pm to 6:00pm, and on Thursday, 29 April 2010, from 9:00am to 3:00pm. The entrance examination office phone number is +358 (0)9 470 24415.

The results of the preliminary selection will be published on Wednesday, 28 April 2010, at 12pm.

Preliminary assignments will not be returned.

Appeal procedure

If the applicant suspects a mistake in the evaluation, he or she has the right to appeal. Review requests must be addressed to the Evaluation Committee of the Departments of Architecture. They have to be delivered in writing to the entrance examination office of the Helsinki University of Technology Department of Architecture by 7 May 2010, at 4:15pm. Late requests will not be processed.

The results related to revision requests will be sent in writing, but no individual evaluation of the assignments will be given, only the decision approved or fail. The results of the revision requests will be released on Monday, 17 May 2010, at 12:00pm. You may enquire as to the outcome of the revision request by phone on Monday, 17 May 2010, between 12:00pm and 6:00pm by phoning the number +358 (0)9 470 24415.