

UNIFI-TONGJI DOUBLE MASTER DEGREE PROGRAM IN ARCHITECTURE

STUDY PROGRAM

Structure of the Degrees

The two degrees are organized according to the following structure:

- 1) at the University of Florence (UNIFI), according to the Italian law, the Master degree is on a 2 years and 4 semesters basis of 60 ECTS each year for a total of 120 ECTS;
- 2) at the Tongji University (TJU), according to TJU regulation, the Master degree is on 2.5 years, and 5 semesters basis for a total of 36 Chinese credits. Student should apply the degree with 4 years. The program does not accept Chinese student from UNIFI to TJU.

Both degrees require the redaction and discussion of a final thesis.

Curricula covered by the Agreement

The present agreement covers the following degrees:

- UNIFI Master Degree in Architectural Design LM4 – B076
- TJU Master of Architecture ((zhuan ye shuo shi degree) (degree code 085100))

Students' Mobility

Students seeking to obtain the double degree must spend one academic year in the host institution and fulfil the following obligations:

- a) During their year at the University of Florence, Chinese students must obtain a minimum of 60 Italian ECTS. The list of these courses and studios and corresponding ECTS and Chinese Credits and hours will include:

	ECTS	Crediti cinesi	n. ore
Italian language and culture (prerequisite)			36
Architecture and Town Studio or Architecture and the Environment Studio	18	6	144
Architecture Structural Design Studio or Restoration Studio	18	6	144
optional course 1	6	2	48
optional course 2	6	2	48
Thesis proposal	3	4	96
Final thesis	9		
tot.	60	20	516
<i>optional course to chose from::</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- History of contemporary Architecture and Urbanism- Project economic evaluation- Sociology of Architecture			

- b) During their stay at Tongji University, Italian students must obtain a minimum of 20 Chinese Credits. The list of these courses and studios and corresponding ECTS and Chinese Credits and hours will include:

	ECTS	Crediti cinesi	n. ore
A general view of China	6	3	54
Chinese language	10	3	108
Architectural Design I,	8	2	72
Architectural Design II	8	2	72
Principles of Architectural Design	4	2	36
Frontiers of Architecture	4	2	36
optional course 1	4	2	36
optional course 2	4	2	36
Thesis proposal	3	2	30
Tongji lecture series (TJU compulsory)	-	-	-
Final thesis	9		36
tot.	60	20	516
<i>optional course to chose from:</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Challenge and Strategy – Chinese urbanism and Urban Design Practice - Contemporary Architecture and Urbanism in China: discourse and practice - Case study and criticism in urban design - Urban design Theory - Modern residential typology 			

- c) Students have to prepare their thesis in the host university under a joint supervision of two professors, one of the home and the other one of the host university. Master thesis will be defended in the home universities; however, before leaving the host university, students will be presenting their thesis to a special commission organized by the host university. The commission will report to the student's home university the pre-evaluation of their thesis.

Italian students should submit a thesis synopsis of at least 3000 Chinese words before presentation. TJU will provide assistance to translate the document.

The parties agree that with the present structure of the study plans the mobility is planned for students of semester 3 and 4 of the Master program.

Learning Agreement

Students selected for the program must sign a Learning Agreement (LA) detailing the courses and activities to be carried out during the mobility period. The LA, countersigned by the two coordinators of the program, must be sent to the host institution three months before the beginning of the mobility. Student can ask for modifications of their LA during their mobility period. The new LA will be valid after the new signatures by the two coordinators of the program.

Transcript of Records

At the end of the mobility period, the host institution will send to the student's home institution a transcript of records. The parties agree to use the following table for the conversion of the grades between the two systems:

Tongji University	Level	University of Florence
90-100	outstanding	30 cum laude
80-89	excellent	28-30
70-79	middle	24-27
60-69	passed	18-23
below 60	failed	below 18

The two degree certificates, from Tongji University and from Florence University, will be released only after the thesis will have been defended in the home institution.

Changes in the study plan

In case of changes in the Study Plan in one or both universities, the two coordinators of the program will agree on a new conversion table to submit for approval to the respective academic bodies responsible for the two degrees.