

**I would like to apply to study acting at your school but it doesn't appear to be possible. Why?**

You can only submit an application to us within a fixed period which is specified anew every year. The application portal usually comes online around early October for the winter exam and around February for the summer exam.

**Can I also apply outside the application period?**

No. We only accept applications within the specified period.  
Neither before nor after.

**I will be younger than 17/ older than 24 at the start of the training.**

**Can I still apply?**

Yes. In individual cases – especially for those of above-average artistic talent – the examination board can make an exception to the lower and upper age limits. Please just apply as normal via the application portal.

**At the start of the training, I will have a lower school-leaving certificate than a secondary school graduation certificate. Can I still apply?**

No, unfortunately that will not be possible.

**I have a disability. Can I still apply?**

Yes, you can.

**I have failed the preliminary and/or entrance exam twice. Can I apply again?**

No. There are no exceptions to this rule.

**I am already studying acting at another state school. Can I transfer to your school?**

You will need to apply in the regular way. Transferring into a higher academic year is not possible because the training concepts of the different schools are too different.

**Can I also apply by email?**

No. All applications must be made via the online application portal and all required documents must be uploaded there.

**Do I have to attend the exam on the specified dates?**

Yes. So please put these dates in your diary and be sure to keep all of them free until you receive an invitation from us for one of the dates.

**Something very important has come up on the exam date you gave me. Can I get another date?**

Not unless you are ill or you have a confirmed audition at another school on the same date or you have a theatrical performance that day. If any of these cases apply, we will need to receive written proof from you as soon as possible.

**What is a theatre report?**

Your theatre report could describe your first experience in the theatre, whether actively as an actor or passively as a member of the audience. Or you could describe your emotions when reading a play or when you are in the theatre. It is up to you how you formulate this text. We would like to find out why you want to become an actor.

**I am unable to upload my application video(s). Why?**

Please check that that you have chosen the correct file format, have not exceeded the maximum file size and have named the file correctly. The file(s) must be uploaded in .mp4, .mov or .avi format with a maximum size of 100 MB. Please do not use any special characters or umlauts in your video file name(s).

**I uploaded my application documents some weeks ago but I haven't yet received an invitation. Have you forgotten me?**

That is unlikely. Please note: after the application deadline, your documents will be viewed by a selection committee. Only after this process will you receive your invitation or rejection by email. After you have uploaded all the required documents to the application portal, you will receive an automated confirmation of receipt.



**I have read/heard that I also have to send you a medical certificate, a police clearance certificate and a birth certificate.**

We only require these documents if you pass the first round of the preliminary exam online. We will let you know if/when this is necessary. Since these documents will cost you money, you should only seek to obtain them if you pass the first round of the preliminary exam. You can then bring the original documents with you to show us during the second round of the preliminary exam.

We will only require the originals for our records if you pass the second entrance exam.

**I registered my old email address/telephone number in the online portal.**

**What should I do now?**

Please inform us of your new email address/telephone number by emailing it to [bewerbung@ofs-muenchen.de](mailto:bewerbung@ofs-muenchen.de).

**Is it true that it counts as having failed the preliminary exam once if I do not turn up for the specified appointment without cancelling it beforehand?**

Yes, that is correct.

**I have been invited to the preliminary exam tomorrow but I am now ill and I can't reach anyone at your school. What should I do?**

Please send us an email to [bewerbung@ofs-muenchen.de](mailto:bewerbung@ofs-muenchen.de).

If you would like a new date, please send us a doctor's note by email and state that you would like your appointment to be rescheduled.

**What do I have to prepare?**

Please rehearse three role excerpts from plays of your own choice as well as a self-invented monologue or scene and a song or poem of your choice. This means you need to prepare a total of five audition pieces, each of them around three minutes in length.

Of the three plays, one should be a classic.

Please prepare well. Memorise your lines and think about the character you are playing. Consider how this character is connected with the reality of your own life.

Go to the theatre.



**What is a classic?**

A classic is a play written in blank verse. As a rule, these are plays by ancient Greek playwrights or from English, French or German Classicism (Sophocles, Shakespeare, Goethe, Schiller, Racine, Corneille).

**What do I need to prepare for the first round of the preliminary exam?**

For the first round of the preliminary exam, please prepare three videos. Select two roles from your role slip and add a self-interview (of approx. 3 minutes in length) in which you introduce yourself to the selection committee, e.g. by telling us why you want to be an actor. Or you could tell us about an incident that you think describes yourself well. You can approach the 'interview' format in a creative way. You should be alone in the video and filmed in a full-length view. You must upload the videos to the application portal.

**What do I need to prepare for the second round of the preliminary exam?**

Please prepare all the roles that you have selected on your role slip.

**What is the procedure of the second round of the preliminary exam and the first round of the entrance exam?**

After viewing the videos, we might invite you to the second round of the preliminary exam. We will tell you if you have passed the second round of the preliminary exam as soon as it has ended. If you do pass, you will be invited to the first round of the entrance exam on the same day, the exact time of which will be given to you there and then. You return at this time and will be asked to audition in front of an expanded selection committee. You may be interrupted during the audition. Sometimes you may be spontaneously given an improvisational task or something similar.

All candidates will be informed by telephone if they have passed or failed on the final day of the examination week.

**I need a playing partner for my scene. Is that possible?**

No. Unfortunately, there are no acting students available to participate as playing partners in the auditions.



**Can I change into costume for my role at the exam venue?**

Yes. We will provide you with a place where you can change.

**What is the process before I can start my training at the Otto Falckenberg School?**

First, you have to be invited to the second round of the preliminary exam and pass it.

On the afternoon of the same day, you will participate in the first round of the entrance exam and perform your role(s) in front of an extended selection committee. You will be informed of the result of the first round of the entrance exam at the end of the examination week. If you pass the first round of the entrance exam, you will be invited to attend the second round of the entrance exam in the following week. This part of the exam lasts three days. You will arrive the evening before the exam begins to attend a performance at the Münchner Kammerspiele together with your fellow candidates.

The following day, you will take part in a discussion about the performance you have seen and you will also participate in test lessons in improvisation, body work, role work, speaking and singing. If you also pass this second round of the entrance exam, you can start your training at the Otto Falckenberg School the following September.

**Will I get feedback?**

Due to the large number of applicants our selection committee sees every year, it is unfortunately not possible to provide individual feedback after the preliminary exams. We ask for your understanding.

