

INFO2M

2015 - 2016

Master [120] in Computer Science and Engineering**At Louvain-la-Neuve - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In english**Dissertation/Graduation Project : **YES** - Internship : **optional**Activities in English: **YES** - Activities in other languages : **NO**Activities on other sites : **NO**Main study domain : **Sciences de l'ingénieur et technologie**Organized by: **Ecole Polytechnique de Louvain (EPL)**Programme code: **info2m** - Francophone Certification Framework: 7**Table of contents**

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INFO2M - Introduction

Introduction

Introduction

This Master's degree programme strikes a balance between "soft skills" and scientific/technical skills as well as between high quality research and practical field work. It offers

- the study of computer science based on fundamental concepts, the value of which goes beyond rapidly evolving technology;
- a programme taught entirely in English to improve students' language skills (technical written and spoken English);
- exchange programs and dual degrees in Belgium, Europe and throughout the world.

As with the Bachelor's degree in civil engineering, this programme seeks to train well-rounded engineers by offering majors in related disciplines such as applied math, or electronics and communication.

Your profile

You would like to

- **imagine, design and implement** computer systems that will shape the future;
- **focus on computer science and engineering** after having studied science and technology (math, mechanics, electricity, chemistry, etc.) as an undergraduate student;
- improve your **theoretical knowledge** and develop technical skills;
- increase your **interdisciplinary knowledge** in areas such as foreign languages, resource management, teamwork, autonomy and ethics;
- expand your training to include management and small and medium sized business creation;
- take advantage of a programme taught entirely in **English**.

Your future job

We train

- **scientists** who know how to understand and analyse complex requirements associated with information technology;
- **professionals** who will design information systems that correspond to user needs;
- **innovators** who can master a wide range of technology and record its progress;
- **specialists** capable of implementing software solutions with particular attention to product quality and the development process.

Your programme

This Master's degree consists of:

- a **compulsory part** providing the knowledge necessary to model and design complex applications
- a major of your choice that allows you to acquire cutting edge knowledge in an area of interest
- at the heart of computer sciences: **artificial intelligence, computer networks, cryptography and information security, software engineering, and system programming;**
- at the frontier with other engineering sciences: **communication networks, applied mathematics, biomedical engineering, and bioinformatics;**
- beyond computer science: **management and small and medium sized business creation;**
- **elective courses** that allow you to focus your training on your areas of interest, whether they be computer science or any other discipline (electricity, management, business creation, languages);
- a **graduation project** (representing half your workload during the last year) offers the possibility to discuss a subject in-depth. Due to its size and scope, this project allows for an initiation into the working life of computer scientists and/or researchers. The project's subject is selected in consultation with the programme heads and possibly a company.

INFO2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Designers and developers of tomorrow's computer systems are confronted with two major challenges:

- computer systems that are increasingly complex
- areas of application that are increasingly varied

To meet these challenges, the future Master's degree holder in computer science must:

- master current computer science technologies but also manage and ascertain their progress,
- innovate by integrating elements linked to artificial intelligence, software engineering and security networks into computer systems,
- work as a member of a multidisciplinary team and act as an interface between the development team and other participants involved in the scientific or technical issues of the project.

The future computer science engineer will acquire the skills and knowledge necessary to become:

- a professional engineer capable of integrating several scientific and technical disciplines in the area of information technology
- an individual with field experience, capable of putting his/her knowledge into practice and use ever evolving high performance tools (both in research and technology)
- a specialist having acquired cutting edge knowledge in his/her field of study, for example artificial intelligence, security networks, software engineering and programming systems
- a manager who manages team projects

Polytechnic and multidisciplinary, the training offered by the Louvain School of Engineering (EPL) emphasises a combination of theory and practice open to computer science in all its dimensions (analysis, design, development, implementation, maintenance, research and innovation) including those pertaining to ethics.

International possibilities:

English is the most widely used language in companies particularly those in the technical sector. This Master's degree programme is thus taught in English and provides its participants with the opportunity to acquire solid oral and written English language skills. Offering a Master's degree in English, is proof of our international status. The use of English allows us to welcome international students all the while allowing these students to be immersed in a francophone environment. It also includes exchange programs and dual diplomas with foreign universities.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. demonstrate their mastery of a **solid body of knowledge and skills** in computer science allowing them to solve problems associated with their field of study

- Confronted with a computer science problem, diploma holders **can identify concepts, algorithms, and applicable data structures** to find a solution and can break the problem down into its component parts in order to formulate computer-based problem solving methods.
- Confronted with a problem in their field of study, diploma holders can **choose the proper problem solving tools** (for example, development environment, programming language, software and software packages) that will allow them to find the correct software solution to the problem in question.
- Confronted with the results obtained through reasoning as well as the use of tools and concepts, diploma holders are able to step back and ascertain the relevance and the quality of their results. To do so, diploma holders develop tests and relevant checks to **ensure they have developed quality solutions**.

2. organise and **develop a computer system** that meets the complex needs of a client

- Before working on a solution, **graduates explore and analyse all aspects of a problem** using the documentation at their disposal and consult with future system users. Graduates then will produce a specifications note that describes not only the system requirements but also its time constraints and ease of use for future users.
- In the design phase, graduates will **imagine and model the computer system under development** in terms of functional components (subsystems) in such a way as to facilitate and optimise development. They will capitalise on the available technology and programme verification methods to ensure the quality of the software system from the very beginning of the design stage.
- In the analysis phase, graduates will itemise, **evaluate and compare different technologies** (material, languages, algorithms, routing) with the goal of prioritising those that best correspond to different performance and quality criteria specified in the specifications note.

- In the implementation stage, graduates will demonstrate their mastery of the principles, techniques and development tools at their disposal. They will create a software prototype in order to verify that the software corresponds to the clients' needs and will run a battery of tests to ensure that the proposed solution corresponds to the specifications note. By applying validation techniques and programme verifications, graduates can identify and locate bugs as well as their fixes.
- On the basis of a prototype, **graduates design and ensure follow up through a quality control plan**: monitoring, optimisation, maintenance, detection of break downs, communication protocols and intervention in the case of failure. They can use metrics and tools to evaluate and validate the structural quality of a software system in terms of its security and maintainability.

3. organise and carry out a research project to **understand a new problem** in their area of study

- confronted with a new computer problem, graduates will **explore** the area in question and obtain the necessary information to **complete a situational analysis** using the various resources at their disposal (library, Internet, researchers, industry experts)
- In the graduation project (possibly paired with a company internship) on a new problem, graduates **construct a model** of the underlying phenomenon from a computer science perspective
- On the basis of this model, **graduates formulate and test different computer devices capable of solving the problem in question** (for example, computerised processing of an image by a scanner to facilitate medical diagnosis)
- Once in possession of the experimental results, graduates summarise their conclusions in a report, where they also discuss **how key variables influenced the behaviour of the phenomenon being studied**. Based on their results, graduates will make recommendations about how to **develop and implement innovative technical solutions** for the problems in question.

4. Participate in a group project

- As a member of a team project, graduates will collaborate to study a problem and its context with the goal of itemising its different parts, issues and constraints. They will then collaborate **to draft a specifications note reiterating the key elements of the project framework**: problem and solution, objectives and performance indicators, risks, deadlines, resource limits, etc.
- Once the project framework is defined, graduates **collaborate on a plan of action**. The team agrees to work collectively on a work schedule, the intermediary steps, the division of labour and project deadlines.
- Team members share their knowledge and skills **to solve problems collectively** that are raised over the course of the project whether they are technical or not. Graduates are able to step back when necessary to overcome team difficulties or conflicts:
- Mindful of the commitments made during the course of the project, graduates alert their teammates about decisions that need to be made in the event of a problem. Through steering committee meetings, graduates **make the necessary decisions** to organise or reorganise project objectives.

5. Communicate effectively orally and in writing with the goal of carrying out projects (in particular in English)

- Faced with a computer development project, graduates are able to identify and question the relevant actors. **Through their exchanges with those involved in the project, graduates assess the project environment and relevant issues**, which requires them to specify their needs, expectations and limits in a specifications note while keeping in mind system functionalities as well as the conditions for use (interfaces with other applications, maintenance, progress, etc.)
- By communicating, **graduates take into account the fact that their interlocutors have not necessarily mastered the language of computers** and do not have the same idea of the issues and solutions envisaged by computer science.
- In certain critical phases of a project, there are collective choices to be made. To facilitate decision making, the graduate must **be capable of providing his/her interlocutors with a summary of the situation and its issues**. To this end, he/she is capable of communicating necessary information by using schemas or graphs of the computer system.
- Graduates know how to use reference materials or computer language or software manuals in both English and French. They **understand technical reports written in English**.
- During the development of a computer application, graduates **can ensure the tracking and documentation in a concise and precise language**: specifications note, software structures and their related data, operating modes. Graduates are also capable of drafting summary reports that describe their design and technology choices.

6. Demonstrate autonomy, rigor, openness, critical thinking as well as a sense of ethics when doing your job

- In their fields of study, students **master the technical vocabulary and usage standards** that allow them to easily understand a scientific article or technical document or to communicate with specialists in their field.
- Graduates will take into account the socio-economic aspects of a project in the specifications note, in particular the compatibility between technological progress and ethical standards
- Regarding the development of an application that meets an industrial challenge or provides an important service (for example ambulance management), **graduates will ensure the robustness and feasibility** of the application for its users.

- Confronted with a new problem, **graduates autonomously acquire and use information and computer tools that they need to solve the problem** even if they have not explicitly learned about them during their coursework.

Programme structure

The Master's degree programme consists of four parts:

- Core curriculum, focused on the graduation project (38 credits)
- Required final specialisation (30 credits)
- One or more majors (20 to 52 credits)
- Elective courses (0 to 52 credits)

The graduation project is normally completed during the 2nd year. Regarding required and elective courses, students may (depending on their major) take these courses in the 1st or 2nd year as long as they have completed the course prerequisites. This is particularly the case for students who completed part of their education abroad. The yearly distribution of activities as outlined in the detailed programme is subject to change.

Furthermore, students have the opportunity to broaden their education by enrolling in non-technical elective courses if they have a clear objective in mind.

For a programme-type, and regardless of the focus, options/or elective courses selected, this master will carry a minimum of 120 credits divided over two annual units, corresponding to 60 credits each.

[> Core courses for the Master in computer science and engineering](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo220t.html]

[> Professional focus](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo220s]

Options courses

[> Majors for the Master's degree in computer science and engineering](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo904r.html]

[> Major in Artificial Intelligence](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo221o.html]

[> Major in Software Engineering and Programming Systems](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo222o.html]

[> Major in Networking and Security](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo223o.html]

[> Major in Computing and Applied Mathematics](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo224o.html]

[> Major in Cryptography and Information Security](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo230o.html]

[> Major in Communication Networks](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo226o.html]

[> Major in biomedical engineering](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo227o.html]

[> Major in Business risks and opportunities](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo228o.html]

[> Major in small and medium sized business creation](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo229o.html]

[> Elective courses in the Master's degree programme in computer science and engineering](#) [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo225o.html]

INFO2M Detailed programme

Programme by subject

CORE COURSES [38.0]

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

The student shall select

Year

1 2

○ LINGI2990	Graduation project/End of studies project	N.		28 Credits			x
○ LELEC2531	Design and Architecture of digital electronic systems	Jean-Didier Legat	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

○ Religion courses for students in natural sciences

Select 2 credits from among

The student shall select

⊗ LTECO2100	Questions of religious sciences: Biblical readings	Hans Ausloos	15h	2 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LTECO2200	Questions of religious sciences: reflections about Christian faith	Dominique Martens	15h	2 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LTECO2300	Questions of religious sciences: questions about ethics	Marcela Lobo Bustamante	15h	2 Credits	1q	x	x

○ Computer science seminars

Students may select 3 credits from the following courses:

The student shall select 3 credits from amongst

⊗ LINGI2359	Software engineering seminar	Yves Deville (compensates Kim Mens), Bernard Geubelle (compensates Kim Mens), Kim Mens	30h	3 Credits	2q		x
⊗ LINGI2349	Network and communication seminar	Olivier Bonaventure	30h	3 Credits	1q		x
⊗ LINGI2369	Artificial intelligence seminar	Yves Deville, Pierre Schaus (compensates Yves Deville)	30h	3 Credits	2q		x
⊗ LINGI2379	Machine learning seminar	Pierre Dupont	30h	3 Credits	2q		x

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS [30.0]

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

The student may take all the specialisation courses

Year

1 2

○ Computer science courses

○ LINGI2132	Languages and translators	Pierre Schaus	30h+30h	6 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINGI2172	Databases	Bernard Lambeau	30h+30h	6 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINGI2241	Architecture and performance of computer systems	Ramin Sadre	30h+30h	6 Credits	1q	x	x
○ LINGI2255	Software development project	Sébastien Combéfis (compensates Kim Mens), Kim Mens	15h+45h	6 Credits	1q	x	x
○ LINGI2261	Artificial intelligence: representation and reasoning	Yves Deville	30h+30h	6 Credits	1q	x	x

OPTIONS [52.0]

Students must complete their programme with a combination of major and/or elective courses. They may select:

Majors for the Master's degree in computer science and engineering

- > Major in Artificial Intelligence [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo221o]
- > Major in Software Engineering and Programming Systems [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo222o]
- > Major in Networking and Security [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo223o]
- > Major in Computing and Applied Mathematics [en-prog-2015-info2m-linfo224o]
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MAJORS FOR THE MASTER'S DEGREE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Students must choose one or more from the following majors:

MAJOR IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Students who choose to major in artificial intelligence must be able to:

- Identify and use methods and techniques that create software-based solutions to complex problems,
- Understand and put to good use the methods and techniques pertaining to artificial intelligence such as automated reasoning, heuristic research, knowledge acquisition, automated learning, problems related to constraint satisfaction,
- Identify a category of applications and how to use its methods and tools; understand specific categories of applications and their specific techniques-for example computer vision, scheduling, data mining, natural language processing, bioinformatics data,
- Formalise and structure a body of complex knowledge by using a systematic and rigorous approach to develop quality "intelligent" systems.

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

The student may select

De 20 à 30 credits parmi

Year

1 2

○ Required courses in Artificial Intelligence

○ LINGI2262	Machine Learning :classification and evaluation	Pierre Dupont	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINGI2263	Computational Linguistics	Pierre Dupont, Cédric Fairon	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
○ LINGI2266	Advanced Algorithms for Optimization	Pierre Schaus	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
○ LINGI2365	Constraint programming	Yves Deville, Jean-Baptiste Mairy (compensates Yves Deville)	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x

⊗ Elective courses in Artificial Intelligence

The student can select 10 credits between:

						Year	
						1	2
⊗ LSINF2275	Data mining & decision making	Marco Saerens	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LELEC2885	Image processing and computer vision	Christophe De Vleeschouwer, Laurent Jacques	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LGBIO2010	Bioinformatics	Pierre Dupont, Michel Ghislain	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINMA1702	Applied mathematics : Optimization I	François Glineur	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINMA1691	Discrete mathematics - Graph theory and algorithms	Vincent Blondel, Jean-Charles Delvenne (compensates Vincent Blondel)	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2111	Discrete mathematics II : Algorithms and complexity	Vincent Blondel, Jean-Charles Delvenne (coord.)	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LSTAT2320	Design of experiment.	Patrick Bogaert, Bernadette Govaerts	22.5h +7.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LELEC2870	Machine Learning : regression, dimensionality reduction and data visualization	John Lee (compensates Michel Verleysen), Michel Verleysen	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2450	Combinatorial optimization	Jean-Charles Delvenne, Julien Hendrickx	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

MAJOR IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING AND PROGRAMMING SYSTEMS

Student choosing to major in Software Engineering and Programming Systems must be able to:

- Understand and explain problems pertaining to large scale software projects as well as the critical impact of their solutions throughout the duration of the project (construction scope, validation, documentation, communication and large scale project management as well as expense limits and deadlines),
- Choose and apply engineering methods and tools related to complex software systems to meet strict quality control criteria: reliability, adaptability, upgradeability, performance, security, usability),
- Model products and processes necessary to obtain such systems and analyse the models in question,
- Design and create programmes to analyse, convert and optimise computer performance,
- Put to good use different programming language paradigms, in particular those that deal with competing functional and object oriented programmes,
- Understand the issues associated with different competing programming models and use the appropriate model,
- Define a new language (syntax and semantics) appropriate to a specific context.

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Students may select

De 20 à 30 credits parmi

Year

1 2

○ Required courses in software engineering and programming systems

○ LINGI2143	Concurrent systems : models and analysis	Charles Pecheur	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	X	X
○ LINGI2251	Software engineering: development methods	Charles Pecheur	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	X	X
○ LINGI2252	Software Engineering : Measures and Maintenance	Kim Mens	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q △	X	X
○ LSINF2345	Languages and algorithms for distributed applications	Peter Van Roy	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X	X

⊗ Elective courses in Software Engineering and Programming Systems

The student can select 10 credits amongst

⊗ LSINF2224	Programming methods	Charles Pecheur	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X	X
⊗ LSINF2335	Programming paradigms : theory, practice and applications	Sebastian Andres Gonzalez Montesinos (compensates Kim Mens), Kim Mens	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X	X
⊗ LSINF2382	Computer supported collaborative work	Jean Vanderdonckt	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q △	X	X
⊗ LINGI2347	Computer system security	Marco Canini	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X	X
⊗ LINGI2355	Software requirements & architecture	N.	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q △	X	X
⊗ LINGI2365	Constraint programming	Yves Deville, Jean-Baptiste Mairy (compensates Yves Deville)	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X	X
⊗ LINMA2111	Discrete mathematics II : Algorithms and complexity	Vincent Blondel, Jean-Charles Delvenne (coord.)	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	X	X

MAJOR IN NETWORKING AND SECURITY

This major may not be taken at the same time as the majors in Cryptography and Information Security and Communication Networks. However, students are still allowed to select elective courses from these other majors.

Students choosing the major Networking and Security must be able to:

- Understand and explain different devices and protocols used in networking,
- Design, configure and manage computer networks by taking into account application needs,
- Identify large categories of shared and parallel applications as well as their problems and solutions,
- Create shared applications by using appropriate techniques,
- Understand shared system characteristics: parallelism, synchronisation, communication, risk and error models,
- Use the appropriate techniques, algorithms, and languages to understand, model and analyse shared applications,
- Understand and put into place mechanisms (cryptography, protocols) to secure networks and shared systems

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

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Students may select
De 20 à 30 credits parmi

Year

1 2

○ Required courses in Networking and Security

○ LINGI2142	Computer networks: configuration and management	Olivier Bonaventure	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINGI2145	Cloud Computing	Marco Canini	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
○ LINGI2146	Mobile and Embedded Computing	Ramin Sadre	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINGI2347	Computer system security	Marco Canini	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x

⊗ Elective courses in Networking and Security

The student can select 10 credits amongst

⊗ LINGI2143	Concurrent systems : models and analysis	Charles Pecheur	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2144	Secured systems engineering	Gildas Avoine	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2315	Design of Embedded and real-time systems	Jean-Didier Legat	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2348	Information theory and coding	Jérôme Louveaux, Benoît Macq (coord.), Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2470	Stochastic modelling	Philippe Chevalier	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LMAT2450	Cryptography	Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LSINF2345	Languages and algorithms for distributed applications	Peter Van Roy	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x

MAJOR IN COMPUTING AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Students choosing the major Computing and Applied Mathematics must be able to:

- Understand both applied mathematics and computing including algorithms, scientific calculations, computer system modelling, optimisation, automated learning or data mining,
- Understand and use the methods and techniques related to advanced algorithms such as optimisation methods, constraint programming, algorithms of graphs, numerical algorithms or analysis and design of algorithms,
- Identify and use models and techniques relating to statistics, automated learning and data mining; understand categories of applications used for the processing of raw data as well as automatic forms used to mine information out of large data sets.

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

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○ Required courses in Computing and Applied Mathematics

○ LINGI2365	Constraint programming	Yves Deville, Jean-Baptiste Mairy (compensates Yves Deville)	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINMA1702	Applied mathematics : Optimization I	François Glineur	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINMA2111	Discrete mathematics II : Algorithms and complexity	Vincent Blondel, Jean-Charles Delvenne (coord.)	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LINMA2710	Numerical algorithms	Paul Van Dooren	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x

⊗ Elective courses in computing and applied mathematics

The student can select 10 credits amongst

⊗ LINGE1222	Multivariate Statistical Analysis	Johan Segers	30h+15h	4 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2143	Concurrent systems : models and analysis	Charles Pecheur	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2262	Machine Learning :classification and evaluation	Pierre Dupont	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2348	Information theory and coding	Jérôme Louveaux, Benoît Macq (coord.), Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINMA1170	Numerical analysis	Paul Van Dooren	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINMA1691	Discrete mathematics - Graph theory and algorithms	Vincent Blondel, Jean-Charles Delvenne (compensates Vincent Blondel)	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2450	Combinatorial optimization	Jean-Charles Delvenne, Julien Hendrickx	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2470	Stochastic modelling	Philippe Chevalier	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2471	Optimization models and methods	François Glineur	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LMAT2450	Cryptography	Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LMECA2170	Numerical Geometry	Vincent Legat, Jean-François Remacle	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LMECA2300	Advanced Numerical Methods	Philippe Chatelain, Christophe Craeye, Vincent Legat, Jean-François Remacle	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LSINF2224	Programming methods	Charles Pecheur	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LSINF2275	Data mining & decision making	Marco Saerens	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LSTAT2020	Statistical computing	Céline Bugli	20h+20h	6 Credits	1q	x	x

MAJOR IN CRYPTOGRAPHY AND INFORMATION SECURITY

As with the Master's degree programmes in electrical engineering, computer science and applied mathematics, this major provides students with the knowledge to answer questions pertaining to information security by using fundamental algorithms and mathematics. They will also learn to design and use solutions related to electronic circuits and computing systems.

This major may not be taken at the same time as the majors in Networking and Security and Communication Networks.

However, students are still allowed to select elective courses from these other majors.

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Students may select 15 to 30 credits from the following list of courses. Master's degree students in computer science and engineering must take a minimum of 20 credits. This major may not be taken at the same time as the majors in Networking and Security and Communication Networks.

Year

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○ Required courses for ELEC, INFO and MAP

○ LMAT2450	Cryptography	Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
○ LINGI2347	Computer system security	Marco Canini	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
○ LELEC2760	Secure electronic circuits and systems	François-Xavier Standaert	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x

⊗ Elective courses ELEC, INFO and MAP

In order for the following courses to count toward this major, students must have completed the prerequisite courses LELEC 2760, LINGI 2347 and LMAT 2450

⊗ LINGI2144	Secured systems engineering	Gildas Avoine	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2348	Information theory and coding	Jérôme Louveaux, Benoît Macq (coord.), Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINMA2111	Discrete mathematics II : Algorithms and complexity	Vincent Blondel, Jean-Charles Delvenne (coord.)	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LELEC2620	Modeling and implementation of analog and mixed analog/digital circuits and systems on chip	David Bol	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LELEC2870	Machine Learning : regression, dimensionality reduction and data visualization	John Lee (compensates Michel Verleysen), Michel Verleysen	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LMAT2440	Number theory	Olivier Pereira, Jean-Pierre Tignol	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

⊗ Elective courses ELEC and MAP

In order for the following courses to count toward this major, students must have completed the prerequisite courses LELEC 2760, LINGI 2347 and LMAT 2450

⊗ LINGI1341	Computer networks	Olivier Bonaventure	30h+30h	6 Credits	1q	x	x
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MAJOR IN COMMUNICATION NETWORKS

This major may not be taken at the same time as the majors Networking and Security or Cryptography and Information Security. However, students are still allowed to select elective courses from these other majors.

This major is not available to students who majored or minored in Electricity during their Bachelor's degree programme.

Students choosing the major Communication Networks must be able to:

- Understand and use different devices and protocols used in fixed and wireless networks,
- Design, configure and manage fixed and wireless networks while taking into account application needs (including multimedia),
- Understand and effectively use information coding techniques,
- Understand and design mobile wireless communication systems from start to finish.

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

○ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

To enrol in this major, INFO students must have majored or minored in ELEC in their Bachelor's degree programme. ELEC students must have majored or minored in INFO in their Bachelor's degree programme. Students may select 20-30 credits from the following:

De 20 à 30 crédits parmi

Year

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○ Compulsory courses for ELEC and INFO Master -s students

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor(s)	Hours	Credits	Year 1	Year 2
LELEC2796	Wireless communications	Claude Oestges (coord.), Luc Vandendorpe	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	X X
LELEC2920A	Communication networks	Benoît Macq	30h+30h	2 Credits	1q	X X
LINGI2348	Information theory and coding	Jérôme Louveaux, Benoît Macq (coord.), Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X X

○ Compulsory courses for ELEC Master's students

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor(s)	Hours	Credits	Year 1	Year 2
LINGI1341	Computer networks	Olivier Bonaventure	30h+30h	6 Credits	1q	X X
LINGI2349	Network and communication seminar	Olivier Bonaventure	30h	3 Credits	1q	X X

○ Compulsory courses for INFO Master's students

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor(s)	Hours	Credits	Year 1	Year 2
LINGI2142	Computer networks: configuration and management	Olivier Bonaventure	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	X X

⊗ Elective courses for ELEC and INFO Master's students

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor(s)	Hours	Credits	Year 1	Year 2
LINMA2470	Stochastic modelling	Philippe Chevalier	30h +22.5h	5 Credits	2q	X X
LSINF2345	Languages and algorithms for distributed applications	Peter Van Roy	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X X
LINGI2144	Secured systems engineering	Gildas Avoine	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	X X
LINGI2347	Computer system security	Marco Canini	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q	X X
LMAT2450	Cryptography	Olivier Pereira	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	X X
LMAT2440	Number theory	Olivier Pereira, Jean-Pierre Tignol	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q	X X

⊗ Elective courses for INFO Master's students

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor(s)	Hours	Credits	Year 1	Year 2
LELEC2795	Radiation and communication systems	Christophe Craeye, Danielle Janvier, Jérôme Louveaux, Claude Oestges, Luc Vandendorpe	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	X X
LELEC2900	Signal processing	Benoît Macq, Luc Vandendorpe	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	X X

						Year	
						1	2
⊗ LINMA1731	Stochastic processes : Estimation and prediction	Pierre-Antoine Absil, Luc Vandendorpe (coord.)	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LINGI2315	Design of Embedded and real-time systems	Jean-Didier Legat	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x

⊗ **Elective courses for ELEC Master's students**

⊗ LINGI2142	Computer networks: configuration and management	Olivier Bonaventure	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
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MAJOR IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

This major is not available to students who minored in biomedical engineering during their Bachelor's degree programme.

This major is not taught in English.

The objective of the biomedical engineering major is to train engineers who are capable of meeting future technological challenges in the scientific and technical fields related to biomedical engineering.

This major provides students with basic knowledge about bioinformatics as well as other biomedical engineering fields such as bioinstrumentation, biomaterials, medical imaging, mathematical modelling, artificial organs and rehabilitation and biomechanics.

The collaboration between the Louvain School of Management and the School of Medicine provides an interdisciplinary curriculum where engineering is applied to the complex and varied biomedical field.

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Students may select

De 20 à 30 credits parmi

Year

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● Required courses in biomedical engineering

Students enrolled in this major must select a minimum of 10 credits among the following required courses except for those students enrolled in the Master's degree programme in engineering and computer science who are required to take 20 credits.

⊗ LGBIO2010	Bioinformatics	Pierre Dupont, Michel Ghislain	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LGBIO2020	Bioinstrumentation	André Mouraux, Michel Verleysen	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LGBIO2030	Biomaterials	Sophie Demoustier, Christine Dupont, Gaëtane Leloup	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LGBIO2040	Biomechanics	François Henrotte (compensates Emilie Marchandise), Emilie Marchandise	30h+30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LGBIO2050	Medical Imaging	Anne Bol, John Lee, Benoît Macq, Frank Peeters	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LGBIO2060	Modelling of biological systems	Philippe Lefèvre	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

⊗ Elective courses in biomedical engineering for students enrolled in the ELEC Master's degree programme

⊗ LELEC2870	Machine Learning : regression, dimensionality reduction and data visualization	John Lee (compensates Michel Verleysen), Michel Verleysen	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LELEC2885	Image processing and computer vision	Christophe De Vleeschouwer, Laurent Jacques	30h+30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

MAJOR IN BUSINESS RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

This major is not offered in English.

The objective of this major is to familiarise students with the basic principles of business management.

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

*This major may not be taken at the same time as the major in small and medium sized business creation. Students enrolled in this major may select
De 16 à 20 credits parmi*

						Year	
						1	2
⊗ LFSA2140	Elements of law for industry and research	Fernand De Visscher, Werner Derijcke, Bénédicte Inghels	30h	3 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LFSA2230	Introduction to management and to business economics	Benoît Gailly	30h+15h	4 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LFSA1290	Introduction to financial and accounting management	André Nsabimana (compensates Gerrit Sarens), Gerrit Sarens	30h+15h	4 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LFSA2202	Ethics and ICT	Axel Gosseries, Olivier Pereira	30h	3 Credits	2q	x	x
⊗ LFSA2245	Environment and business	Thierry Bréchet	30h	3 Credits	1q	x	x
⊗ LFSA2210	Organisation and human resources	John Cultiaux	30h	3 Credits	2q	x	x

⊗ Alternative to the major in business risks and opportunities for computer science students

Computer science students who have already taken courses in this field while pursuing their Bachelor's degree may choose between 16-20 credits from the courses offered in the management minor for computer sciences.

MAJOR IN SMALL AND MEDIUM SIZED BUSINESS CREATION

This major is not available to students majoring in management.

This major is not offered in English.

The goal of this major is to familiarise engineering students with the specifics of small and medium sized businesses, entrepreneurship, and business creation so they may develop the necessary skills, knowledge and tools to create a business. This major is reserved for a small number of students and selection is based on a written application and individual interview. The written application must be submitted before the start of the academic year for Master's 1.

Applications may be sent to:

Secrétariat CPME-Place des Doyens, 1
1348 Louvain-la-Neuve (tel. 010/47 84 59)

Selected students will replace their Master's thesis in the common core curriculum with a thesis related to business creation (the number of credits remaining the same).

○ Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Further information about this major may be found at <http://www.uclouvain.be/cpme>. This major may not be taken at the same time as a major in management. Students in this major may choose

De 20 à 25 crédits parmi

Year

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○ Required courses for the major in small and medium sized businesses

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor	Hours	Credits	1	2	X	X
○ LCPME2001	Entrepreneurship Theory (in French)	Frank Janssen	30h+20h	5 Credits	1q		x	
○ LCPME2003	Business plan of the creation of a company (in French)	Frank Janssen	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q			x
○ LCPME2002	Managerial, legal and economic aspects of the creation of a company (in French)	Régis Coeurderoy, Yves De Cordt, Marine Falize (compensates Régis Coeurderoy)	30h+15h	5 Credits	1q		x	x
○ LCPME2004	Advanced seminar on Entrepreneurship (in French)	Roxane De Hoe (compensates Frank Janssen), Frank Janssen	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q		x	x

⊗ Prerequisite CPME courses

Students who have not taken management courses during their previous studies must enroll in LCPME2000.

○ LCPME2000	Venture creation financement and management I	Olivier Giacomini, Paul Vanzeveren	30h+15h	5 Credits	1 + 2q		x	
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ELECTIVE COURSES IN THE MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Students must accumulate a minimum of 120 credits over the course of their Master's degree programme.

Year

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Course Code	Course Title	Coordinator	Hours	Credits	Period	Year 1	Year 2
⊗ LFSA2351A	Group dynamics	Piotr Sobieski (coord.)	15h+30h	3 Credits	1q	X	X
⊗ LFSA2351B	Group dynamics	Piotr Sobieski (coord.)	15h+30h	3 Credits	2q	X	X
⊗ LFSA2202	Ethics and ICT	Axel Gosseries, Olivier Pereira	30h	3 Credits	2q	X	X
⊗ LINGI2325	Graphic systems and applications	N.	30h+15h	5 Credits	2q △	X	X

⊗ Company internships (10 credits)

Students enrolling in a 5 credit internship coupled with the graduation project (LFSA 2996) must round out their programme with a 5 credit course approved by the programme commission.

Students may include in their curriculum a company training period worth 10 credits. However, if this activity is related to their final thesis, they shall choose the 5-credit FSA 2996 course.

⊗ LFSA2995	Company Internship	Claude Oestges, Jean-Pierre Raskin	30h	10 Credits	1 + 2q	X	X
⊗ LFSA2996	Company Internship	N.		5 Credits	1 + 2q	X	X

⊗ Advanced courses

Students should note that any course offered as part of their major but not taken as such may be taken as an elective course.

Students should note that any course appearing in the options of their Master -s, but not selected as such, remains a possible elective.

⊗ General knowledge courses

Students can also include in their curriculum any course given at UCL, KULeuven or the Van Karman Institute subject to approval of the Programme committee.

Students can also include in their curriculum any course given at UCL or FIW / KULeuven subject to approval of the Diploma committee.

⊗ Languages

Students may select from any language course offered at the ILV for a maximum of 3 credits out of the 120 core credits needed for their Master's degree.

Special attention is placed on the following seminars in professional development:

Students may include in their electives any language course of the Institute of Modern Languages (ILV) for a maximum of 3 credits within the 120 basic credits of their Master's. Their attention is drawn to the following professional insertion seminars:

⊗ LNEER2500	Professional development seminar: Dutch - intermediate level	Isabelle Demeulenaere (coord.), Mariken Smit	30h	3 Credits	1 ou 2q	X	X
⊗ LNEER2600	Professional development seminar: Dutch - upper-intermediate level	Isabelle Demeulenaere (coord.), Marie- Laurence Lambrecht	30h	3 Credits	1 ou 2q	X	X
⊗ LALLE2500	Professional development seminar German	Caroline Klein, Ann Rinder	30h	3 Credits	1 + 2q	X	X
⊗ LALLE2501	Professional development seminar-German	Caroline Klein, Ann Rinder	30h	5 Credits	1 + 2q	X	X
⊗ LESPA2600	Professional development seminar- Spanish	Carmen Vallejo Villamor	30h	3 Credits	1 ou 2q	X	X
⊗ LESPA2601	Professional development seminar- Spanish	Begona Garcia Migura, Paula Lorente Fernandez (coord.)	30h	5 Credits	1q	X	X

⌘ **Short-term exchanges (2 credits)**

Students may include in their curriculum any BEST or ATHENS course subject to approval by the programme committee. These courses are worth 2 credits.

Students may include in their curriculum any BEST or ATHENS subject to approval by the Diploma committee. These courses are worth 2 credits

Course prerequisites

A document entitled [en-prerequis-2015-info2m.pdf](#) specifies the activities (course units - CU) with one or more pre-requisite(s) within the study programme, that is the CU whose learning outcomes must have been certified and for which the credits must have been granted by the jury before the student is authorised to sign up for that activity.

These activities are identified in the study programme: their title is followed by a yellow square.

As the prerequisites are a requirement of enrolment, there are none within a year of a course.

The prerequisites are defined for the CUs for different years and therefore influence the order in which the student can enrol in the programme's CUs.

In addition, when the panel validates a student's individual programme at the beginning of the year, it ensures the consistency of the individual programme:

- It can change a prerequisite into a corequisite within a single year (to allow studies to be continued with an adequate annual load);
- It can require the student to combine enrolment in two separate CUs it considers necessary for educational purposes.

For more information, please consult [regulation of studies and exams](#).

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCL training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the competences expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. You can see the contribution of each teaching unit to the programme's reference framework of learning outcomes in the document "In which teaching units are the competences and learning outcomes in the programme's reference framework developed and mastered by the student?"

The document is available by clicking [this link](#) after being authenticated with UCL account.

INFO2M - Information

Admission

General and specific admission requirements for this program must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university..

Any student who is not a bachelor in engineering (sciences de l'ingénieur, orientation ingénieur civil), with a major or minor in computer science, must fill in an application for admission to the School of Engineering, stating his detailed curriculum (degree, list of courses followed and grades obtained, year per year). The School of Engineering, consulting with the relevant programme commission, decides on the eligibility of the candidate, and may propose a personalised programme to the student, designed to fill any gap in his formation. To this end, the School of Engineering can impose to the student a volume of complementary courses. For some students, the School of Engineering may propose a one-year bridging programme giving access to the master.

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University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCL Bachelors			
Bachelors in engineering [180.0]	Having completed a major or minor in computer science engineering [30.0]	Direct access	Students who have neither majored nor minored in the field of their civil engineering Master's degree, must submit a written application in which they list their detailed course curriculum (list of course work and marks year by year) to the programme commission. The commission will then suggest a programme in keeping with the student's previous course of study with the possible addition of a maximum of 15 supplemental credits.
Bachelors in engineering [180.0]		Access with additional training	The jury may admit candidates with excellent academic records and training on the basis of their written application provided that they integrate a maximum of 60 additional credits into their Master's degree programme. A minor in engineering sciences (computer sciences) is considered an advantage for candidates seeking this type of admission.
		Direct access	
Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelors in engineering	To have completed options related to computer science in the institution of origin	Direct access	
Bachelors in engineering		Access with additional training	Students with a Bachelor's degree in engineering sciences (with a focus on computer sciences) who have not taken the equivalent of a minor in computer sciences must submit a written application to the computer sciences programme commission in which they list

			their detailed course curriculum (list of course work and marks year by year). The jury will suggest a programme in keeping with the student's previous course of study with the possible addition of a maximum of 15 supplemental credits.
Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelor in ingenieurs wetenschappen	To have completed options related to computer science in the institution of origin.	Direct access	
Bachelor in ingenieurs wetenschappen		Access with additional training	Students who have no specialisation in computer sciences must submit a written application to the programme commission in computer sciences engineering in which they list their detailed course curriculum (list of course work and marks year by year). The jury will suggest a programme in keeping with the student's previous course of study with the possible addition of a maximum of 15 supplemental credits.
Foreign Bachelors			
Bachelors in engineering	Bachelors from the Cluster network	Direct access	Same access conditions as for UCL bachelors in engineering
Bachelors in engineering	Other institutions	Access with additional training	Students will submit a written application for admission to EPL in which they list their detailed course curriculum (list of course work and marks year by year). The jury will determine whether the candidate may be admitted according to the regulations. Where necessary the jury may suggest a programme in keeping with the student's previous course of study with the possible addition of a maximum of 15 supplemental credits.

— Non university Bachelors

Diploma	Access	Remarks
<p>> Find out more about links to the university</p> <p>The student must fill in an application for admission to the School of Engineering, stating his detailed curriculum (degree, list of courses followed and grades obtained, year per year). The School of Engineering, consulting with the relevant programme commission, decides on the eligibility of the candidate, and can propose a personalised programme to the student, designed to fill any gap in his formation. To this end, the School of Engineering can impose to the student a volume of complementary courses. For some students, the School of Engineering may propose a one-year bridging programme giving access to the master.</p> <p>For certain categories of students (for example, students with a bachelor degree in industrial engineering), the School of Engineering can impose an additional preparatory year, corresponding to the 40 credits of the major leading to this master and courses from the core curriculum, before granting access to this master's programme.</p>		
> BA en sciences industrielles - type long	Accès au master moyennant ajout de maximum 60 crédits d'enseignements supplémentaires obligatoires au programme. Voir 'Module complémentaire'	Type long

— Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
Engineers, bioengineers, and graduates in computer science, chemistry, physics, mathématiques, biology or geography, considered equivalent to corresponding Bachelor's.		Direct access	
Masters			
Master in engineering		Direct access	

— Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

Diploma	Access	Remarks
> Find out more about links to the university		
> MA en sciences de l'ingénieur industriel (toutes finalités) > MA en sciences industrielles (toutes finalités)	Accès direct au master moyennant ajout éventuel de 15 crédits max	Type long

Adults taking up their university training

> See the website www.uclouvain.be/en-vae

Tous les masters peuvent être accessibles selon la procédure de valorisation des acquis de l'expérience.

Personalized access

Reminder : all Masters (apart from Advanced Masters) are also accessible on file.

Students may submit an application for admission to the Louvain School of Engineering in which they list their detailed course curriculum (list of course work and marks year by year). The School in collaboration with the relevant programme commission will determine whether the student may be admitted and their decision will respect the programme rules. When necessary, they may suggest an individualised programme consisting of a part of the elective courses in the relevant Master's degree programme in civil engineering with the possible addition of a maximum of 15 supplemental credits.

The School in collaboration with the relevant programme commission will determine whether the student may be admitted and their decision will respect the programme rules. When necessary, the jury may suggest a programme in keeping with the student's previous course of study with the possible addition of a maximum of 15 supplemental credits.

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Specific procedures :

Any student who is not a bachelor in engineering (sciences de l'ingénieur, orientation ingénieur civil), with a major or minor in computer science, must fill in an application for admission to the School of Engineering, stating his detailed curriculum (degree, list of courses followed and grades obtained, year per year). The School of Engineering, consulting with the relevant programme commission, decides on the eligibility of the candidate, and may propose a personalised programme to the student, designed to fill any gap in his formation. To this end, the School of Engineering can impose to the student a volume of complementary courses. For some students, the School of Engineering may propose a one-year bridging programme giving access to the master.

Supplementary classes

To enrol for this Masters, the student must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, they must add preparatory modules to their Master's programme.

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2015-2016

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2015-2016

⊗ Optional

⊖ Periodic courses not taught during 2015-2016

■ Activity with requisites

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

○	Supplementary classes	N.		Credits	
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Teaching method

Active teaching strategies and non-technical skills

The teaching methods used in the Master's degree programme in civil engineering are consistent with those of the Bachelor's degree programme in engineering sciences: active learning, an equal mix of group work and individual work, and emphasis on the development of non-technical skills. In particular, our pedagogy prioritises projects (including a large scale project that puts student groups in a semi-professional situation).

Students will be exposed to various teaching methods: lectures, exercise sessions, problem solving sessions, case studies, industry or research internships, group work, individual work, seminars and conferences offered by the industrial sector. This variety of teaching techniques helps students to build their knowledge in an iterative and progressive manner while at the same time develop their autonomy as well as their organisation, time management and communication skills.

Use of Foreign Languages

Globalisation demands that all societies open up to foreign markets. In addition, the main language used in computer science is English. The use of English throughout the programme allows students to develop their mastery of this language, which will facilitate their integration into universities and foreign companies. Course materials as well as educational support are in English. However, students may express themselves in French during class or evaluations. Specifically, the Master's thesis or graduation project may be written and defended in English or French.

Furthermore, the programme foresees the possibility of taking language classes at the ILV and participating in study abroad programs.

Overall, the programme is taught in English with the exception of the biomedical engineering major and the majors in management and small and medium sized business creation.

Open to other disciplines

Students are encouraged to enlarge their training to include other engineering sciences and techniques, management as well as the humanities and social sciences. In fact, over the course of their careers, computer scientists must manage (team) projects and show an interest in the complex socio-economic context in which computer science takes place. They must dialogue with colleagues from different educational backgrounds who prioritise other aspects of a project. Thus it is imperative that students enlarge their field of vision beyond computer science.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [regulations concerning studies and exams](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

Student work is evaluated according to University rules (see the rules for evaluating coursework and exams) namely written and oral exams, laboratory exams, individual or group work, public presentations of projects and theses defences. For classes taught in English, questions are in English. Students may respond in French. For classes taught in French, questions are in French. Students may ask for help translating the questions into English and respond to them in English.

Certain activities completed during the semester and supervised by a teaching team in collaboration with students do not take place outside of the class session. Thus they are not re-evaluated in a future course session.

At the beginning of the semester, professors will explain their marking scheme, which is based on the learning outcomes of the course (that it frequently shares with those of the Master's degree programme).

For more information on evaluation methods, students may consult the relevant evaluation descriptions.

To obtain a passing grade, the marks received for the teaching units are offset by their respective credits.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

Outgoing students

Since its creation, the Louvain School of Engineering (EPL) has participated in diverse exchange programs that were put into place at the European level and beyond.

Students are informed about study abroad opportunities at the end of their Bachelor's degree programme, notably through intensive academic programmes like the BEST network. This network gives students an initial study abroad experience.

In addition, within the framework of the Erasmus/Mercator exchange programmes, students have the possibility of studying at a partner university for one year (two semesters) during the 1st year of the Master's degree programme or 5 months (first semester) in the 2nd year of the Master's degree programme. To this end, the EPL participates in different study abroad networks.

- In Belgium, the EPL has a partnership with the Faculteit Ingenieurswetenschappen de la Katholieke Universiteit Leuven.
- Within Europe, the EPL participates in the CLUSTER network, which provides quality training and accommodations for exchange students. Furthermore, the members of the CLUSTER network have signed an agreement that mutually recognises their Bachelor's degree programmes. This agreement means that all the Bachelor degree holders in the CLUSTER network are automatically admitted to the Master's degree programme in member institutions.
- Outside of Europe, the EPL is a member of the Magalhães network that brings together 15 European universities with the best scientific and technological universities in Latin America.

In addition to these networks and partnerships, the EPL has signed a certain number of individual agreements with different universities in Europe, North America and elsewhere in the world. The list of these agreements is available at UCL's International Relations Administration website.

Joint degree programmes have also been put into place.

-Dual Masters degrees allow students to receive a diploma from two universities at the end of their two year Master's degree programme (one year at UCL and the other at a host university). In computer science, these agreements have been established with KULeuven, UPC Barcelona, INPGrenoble and ISTLisbon.

Students are informed about the different exchange programmes in the second year of their Bachelor's degree programme. They are encouraged to prepare in advance, specifically their language skills through classes offered at the Institute for Living Languages (Institut des langues vivants) at UCL.

Beyond exchange programmes, students may intern in a research laboratory or a foreign company.

More information about [mobility programmes](#).

Incoming students

Thanks to the CLUSTER network, foreign students have the same status as local UCL students. UCL favours students coming from institutions that participate in the Socrates exchange network.

Overall the Master's degree programme is taught in English and does not require previous knowledge of French with the exception of the majors in biomedical engineering, management and small and medium sized business creation (CPME). Except for rare cases, all courses are taught in English. For non-francophone students, substitute courses may take the place of courses taught in French. These courses are suggested by the programme commission on a case by case basis and are based on the student's course curriculum.

More information about [mobility programmes](#).

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

Doctoral programmes

The Master's degree in civil engineering and computer science may be followed by a doctoral degree programme in engineering sciences. Doctoral degrees are offered by thematic doctoral degree granting schools.

UCL Master's degrees (about 60) are accessible to UCL Master's degree holders

For example:

- The Master's degree (120) in sciences and environmental management and the Master's degree (60) in sciences and environmental management (automatic admission with possible complementary coursework)
- Different Master's degree programmes in management (automatic admission based on written application): see this list
- The Master's degree (60) in information and communication at Louvain-la-Neuve or the Master's degree (60) in information and communication at Mons

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