

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 : **optional**

DATI2M - Introduction

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The digital transformation of society has led to explosive growth in the volume of data available. Most of the players in society now place great importance on using this data to help make objective decisions and develop their disciplinary focus. These specific needs have resulted in the emergence of **new data-oriented careers**.

The master's in data science: Information Technology a course in **scientific methods and technology tools** for answering social or scientific questions based on **the processing of frequently massive data sets** ("big data"). This discipline usually requires a structured model of the problem in question to be combined with statistics and mathematics to deliver a rigorous, quantitative, operational solution to the question posed. Computer infrastructure and complex calculation algorithms thus complement scientific methods in structuring and processing the data.

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Finally, cybersecurity has become an essential element in a data-centric world: it will be a question of understanding and being able to manage the risks associated with the data itself, but also of being able to protect stored data and circulate it securely.

The **fields of application** of data science are extremely varied: political and security decision-making, e-commerce, processing network data, processing financial and industrial production data, natural language processing, biomedical research based on microbiological or imaging data.

Your profile

You have completed a bachelor's or master's degree in which you have acquired solid skills and a taste for the three basic building blocks of data science: mathematics, statistics and computer science, as well as a curiosity for the application areas of these disciplines.

You have a good command of technical English and are able to follow lectures, read scientific literature, write reports and express

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DATI2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Acquérir de solides bases méthodologiques en analyse, traitement et sécurité des données et les appliquer dans des domaines variés tel que sciences humaines, ingénierie, marketing, finance, assurance ou sciences du vivant...

Les étudiants acquerront des connaissances et développeront des compétences nécessaires pour :

- devenir des spécialistes en analyse de données – finalité Analyse de données (AD) (éventail d'algorithmes et de méthodes statistiques, pour la fouille de données, l'apprentissage et la visualisation de grands ensembles de données électronique, production mécanique, automatique et robotique) ou des spécialistes en cybersécurité – finalité Cybersécurité (CS) (cryptographie, sécurité hardware, software et des systèmes informatiques, "privacy", introduction à la théorie de l'information)
- communiquer efficacement
- analyser un problème complexe
- collaborer à un projet de recherche.

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

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○ LEPL2020	Professional integration work <i>Les modules du cours LEPL2020 sont organisés sur les deux blocs annuels du master. Il est fortement recommandé à l'étudiant.e de les suivre dès le bloc annuel 1, mais il.elle ne pourra inscrire le cours qu'au plus tôt l'année où il.elle présente son travail de fin d'études.</i>	Myriam Banaï Francesco Contino (coord.) Delphine Ducarme Jean-Pierre Raskin	EN [q1+q2] [30h+15h] [2 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X
○ LINFO2172	Databases	Siegfried Nijssen	EN [q2] [30h+30h] [6 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X
○ LSTAT2120	Linear models	Christian Hafner	EN [q1] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X
○ LINFO2262	Machine Learning :classification and evaluation	Pierre Dupont	EN [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X



⊗ One course to choose from

⊗ LINFO2399	Industrial seminar in computer science	Yves Deville Bernard Geubelle	EN [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LINFO2369	Artificial intelligence and machine learning seminar	Sébastien Jodogne Siegfried Nijssen	EN [q1] [30h] [3 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LINMA2120	Applied mathematics seminar	Pierre-Antoine Absil Gianluca Bianchin Frédéric Crevecoeur Jean-Charles Delvenne François Glineur Julien Hendrickx Laurent Jacques Raphaël Jungers Estelle Massart (coord.) Geovani Nunes Grapiglia	EN [q1+q2] [30h] [3 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LSTAT2390	Applied statistics workshops	Christian Ritter Laura Symul	EN [q1+q2] [15h] [3 Credits] > French-friendly	X	X



o Content:

o Compulsory courses :

○ LINFO2145	Cloud Computing	Etienne Riviere	00 [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]  > French-friendly	X	X
○ LINFO2241	Architecture and performance of computer systems	Tom Barbette	00 [q1] [30h+30h] [6 Credits]  > French-friendly	X	X

o Elective courses

MAJOR IN NUMERICAL METHODS AND OPTIMISATION

- Mandatory
- ✘ Optional
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- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

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

The student who wishes to validate this option chooses 15 credits among:

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o Content:

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ELECTIVE TECHNICAL COURSES

MAJOR IN INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP - INEO

Commune à la plupart des masters de l'EPL, cette option a pour objectif de familiariser l'étudiant-e avec les spécificités de l'entrepreneuriat et de la création d'entreprise afin de développer chez lui les aptitudes, connaissances et outils nécessaires à la création d'entreprise.

Cette option rassemble des étudiants de différentes facultés en équipes interdisciplinaires afin de créer un projet entrepreneurial. La formation interdisciplinaire en entrepreneuriat (INEO) est une option qui s'étend sur 2 ans et s'intègre dans plus de 30 Masters de 9 facultés/écoles de l'UCLouvain. Le choix de l'option INEO implique la réalisation d'un mémoire interfacultaire (en équipe) portant sur un projet de création d'entreprise. L'accès à cette option, ainsi qu'à chacun des cours, est limité aux étudiant-es sélectionnés sur dossier. Toutes les informations sur <https://uclouvain.be/fr/etudier/ineo> (<https://uclouvain.be/fr/etudier/ineo>).

COURS AU CHOIX EN CONNAISSANCES SOCIO-ÉCONOMIQUES

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OTHERS ELECTIVE COURSES

Les cours au choix recommandés et accessibles aux étudiant-es du master ingénieur en sciences des données ou du master en sciences des données sont listés ci-dessus, dans les options et autres listes de cours au choix. L'étudiant-e est également libre de proposer d'autres cours des programmes de Masters EPL qui seraient pertinentes à son parcours personnel, pour autant que cela respecte les règles de constitution de programme du Master. Ces cours doivent être approuvés par le jury restreint.

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The elective courses recommended and available for Master students in Data Science Engineering are listed here above and in the courses of EPL. However, a student can further suggest other courses that would be relevant for his/her personal curriculum, pending that this is compliant with the rules for setting up a personal Master programme.

⊗ Languages

Students may select from any language course offered at the ILV. Special attention is placed on the following seminars in professional development:

⊗ LALLE2500	Professional development seminar German	Caroline Klein (coord.)	DE [q1+q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LALLE2501	Professional development seminar-German	Caroline Klein (coord.)	DE [q1+q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LESPA2600	Vocational Induction Seminar - Spanish (B2.2/C1)	Paula Lorente Fernandez (coord.)	ES [q1] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LESPA2601	Vocational Induction Seminar - Spanish (B2.2/C1)	Paula Lorente Fernandez (coord.)	ES [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LNEER2500	Seminar of Entry to professional life in Dutch - Intermediate level	Isabelle Demeulenaere (coord.)	NL [q1 or q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LNEER2600	Seminar of entry to professional life in Dutch - Upper-Intermediate level	Isabelle Demeulenaere (coord.) Dag Houdmont	NL [q1 or q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⊗ Group dynamics

⊗ LEPL2351	Become a tutor	Jean-Charles Delvenne (coord.) Delphine Ducarme Thomas Pardoën Benoît Raucent	FR [q1] [15h+30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LEPL2352	Become a tutor	Jean-Charles Delvenne (coord.) Delphine Ducarme Thomas Pardoën Benoît Raucent	FR [q2] [15h+30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⊗ Autres UEs hors-EPL

L'étudiant-e peut choisir maximum 8 ects de cours hors EPL considérées comme non-disciplinaires par la commission de diplôme

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

To enter the Master in Data Science, Information Technology orientation, the student must have a minimum of previous skills in mathematics, computer science, algorithms and probability-statistics. If this is not the case, he/she must add additional courses to his/her Master's program. The content of this additional training is determined by the program commission. The skills to be mastered correspond to those of the following courses:

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⊗ Mathematics - Calculus and linear algebra

The student follows one of the following blocks:

⊗ Module 1

○ LINFO1111	Analysis	Pierre-Antoine Absil Guillaume Berger François Glineur	🌐 [q1] [45h+37.5h] [7 Credits] 🌐
○ LINFO1112	Algebra	Christophe Craeye	

o Un cours parmi :

⌘ LINMA2111	Discrete mathematics II : Algorithms and complexity	Jean-Charles Delvenne Jean-Charles Delvenne (compensates Vincent Blondel)	EB [q1] [30h+22.5h] [5 Credits]  > French-friendly
⌘ LINFO1121	Algorithms and data structures	Pierre Schaus	EB [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 


⌘ Computer systems:

The student follows one of the following blocks:

o LINFO1341	Computer networks	Olivier Bonaventure	EB [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 
o LINFO1252	Informatic Systems	Etienne Riviere	EB [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 

⌘ Numerical methods and optimisation:

The student follows one of the following blocks:

o LINMA1702	Optimization models and methods I	François Glineur	EB [q2] [30h+22.5h] [5 Credits] 
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o Un cours parmi :

⌘ LEPL1104	Numerical methods	Vincent Legat	EB [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 
⌘ LINFO1113	Numerical algorithmic	Estelle Massart Loïc Quertenmont	EB [q2] [30h+30h] [6 Credits] 

⌘ Other EU to be determined with the Study Advisor

Depending on his / her previous academic background, the student (in consultation with the study advisor) can add other UEs in order to acquire the necessary prerequisites for the program.

Course prerequisites

The **table** below lists the activities (course units, or CUs) for which there are one or more prerequisites within the programme, i.e. the programme CU for which the learning outcomes must be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registering for that CU.

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

Prerequisites and student's annual programme

As the prerequisite is for CU registration purposes only, there are no prerequisites within a programme year. Prerequisites are defined between CUs of different years and therefore influence the order in which the student will be able to register for the programme's CUs.

In addition, when the jury validates a student's individual programme at the beginning of the year, it ensures its coherence, meaning that it may:

- require the student to combine registration in two separate CUs which it considers necessary from a pedagogical point of view.
- transform a prerequisite into a corequisite if the student is in the final year of a degree course.

For more information, please consult the [Academic Regulations and Procedures](https://uclouvain.be/fr/decouvrir/rgee.html) (<https://uclouvain.be/fr/decouvrir/rgee.html>).

Prerequisites list

MLSMM2134 "E-comportement du consommateur" has prerequisite(s) MGEST1108

- MGEST1108 - [Marketing](#)

MLSMM2136 "Tendances en Digital Marketing" has prerequisite(s) MGEST1108

- MGEST1108 - [Marketing](#)

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

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Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

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

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

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Specific access requirements

This programme is taught in English with no prerequisite in French. A certificate is required for the holders of a non-Belgian degree, see selection criteria of the Access on the file.

University Bachelors

Diploma

Special Requirements

Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about [links](#) to the university

Teaching method

Active learning and soft skills

You will play an active role in your training. The teaching approach is a balanced mix of lectures, exercises, projects to be carried out alone or in groups. The teaching methods are varied. At certain times, you will be led to discover concepts or techniques independently, and the teaching staff is then seen as a resource made available to you to support your learning.

At other times, the pedagogy is more transmissive and provides you with the necessary keys to carry out subsequent tasks. An important place is reserved for non-technical skills (autonomy, organisational skills, time management, communication in different modes, etc.). In particular, through a pedagogy that emphasises project activities (including a large-scale project that puts groups of students in a semi-professional situation), the course develops a critical mind capable of designing, modelling, implementing and validating complex computer systems.

Languages

The lingua franca of data science is mainly English. The use of English throughout the programme allows you to develop your command of this language, which will facilitate your professional integration. Course materials and supervision are in English. However, you can always ask questions or take the exam in French if you wish. In addition, the programme offers the possibility of attending extra language courses and participating in exchange programmes abroad.

Interdisciplinarity

Like many academics, the data scientist will be required to manage projects and a team in the course of his or her career, and will have to take an interest in the complex socio-economic context in which data science is embedded. You will therefore be invited to open up your training to other disciplines via elective courses or certain options such as the option "interdisciplinary program in entrepreneurship".

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the regulations concerning studies and exams (<https://uclouvain.be/fr/decouvrir/rgee.html>). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

Each unit of the programme includes an oral or written examination, often supplemented by a project leading to a report which is part of the assessment. The optional internship and the master thesis each involve the writing of a document which is defended orally before a jury.

To compute the final grade, the marks obtained for the teaching units are weighted by their respective credits.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

Since their creation, the Ecole Polytechnique de Louvain (EPL) has participated in the various mobility programmes (<https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/epl/mobilite-internationale.html>) that have been set up both at the European level and at the global level.

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

The master's degree in data science, information technology orientation can be followed, under certain conditions, by a PhD thesis.

Jury

- Président: Claude Oestges (<https://uclouvain.be/repertoires/claude.oestges>)
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