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The digitalization is at the origin of the considerable increase of available data. From then on, most of the actors of the society rely on an analysis of these data to objectify their decision-making and develop their disciplinary axes. From these specific needs, we attend to the emergence of new jobs oriented to "data".

The Master's degree in Data Science proposes a training in scientific methods and technological tools to answer societal or scientific questions by processing data that are often massive ("Big Data"). This discipline requires associating a model structured by the problem of interest, with computer sciences, statistics and mathematics to bring a rigorous, quantitative and operational solution to the asked question. An IT infrastructure and algorithms of complex calculations also complement these scientific methods to allow the data structuring and processing.

The fields of application of data sciences are extremely varied: the political and security decision taking, the real time on-line advertising, the e-commerce, the data processing of network, the processing of financial data or industrial production, the biomedical research based on o-mics data or of imaging.

Your profile

You hold an undergraduate diploma or a Master's degree and you have acquired solid skills and the taste for the three pillars of the sciences of the data: the mathematics, the statistics and the computing as well as a curiosity for the fields of application of these disciplines.

You master technical English and are capable of attending class, reading scientific documents, to draft reports and to express you orally in this language. You have general skills and necessary personal qualities to approach a diploma of scientific Master's degree such as of the autonomy, a critical mind, the rigor, a capacity of auto-apprenticeship and to look for or to deal with the information.

A block of additional courses (of maximum 60 credits) is proposed to students having no all these skills.

Your future job

DATS2M - Teaching profile

To contribute in team to the conduct of a project of data exploitation and to lead it to its term by taking into account objectives, assigned resources and constraints that characterize it.

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To center and clarify the objectives of a project (by associating it performance indicators) considering the stakes and the constraints that characterize the environment of the project.

4.2

To be collectively committed on a work plan, a schedule and roles.

4.3

Work in a multidisciplinary environment, together with other actors having various points of view: manage points of disagreement or conflicts.

4.4

To make decisions in team when there are choices: whether it is on the technical solutions or on the organization of the work to run the project successfully.

5.

Communicate effectively orally and in writing to bring to a successful conclusion the projects which are entrusted to him (her) in his (her) working environment (in particular in English).

5.1

Identify clearly the needs for the "customer" or for the user: question, listen and understand all the dimensions of his request and not only the technical aspects.

5.2

Argue and to convince by adapting itself to the language of his (her) interlocutors: technicians, colleagues, customers, managers. 5.3

Communicate under graphic and schematic shape; interpret a plan, present the results of a work, structure information.

5.4

Read, to analyze and to exploit technical documents (diagrams, textbooks, projects specifications).

5.5

Draft written documents by taking into account contextual requirements and social conventions on the subject.

5.6

To the program of 120 credits, a module of additional teachings can be added for the student not possessing all the prerequisites of the Master's degree. This module is selected with the advisor of the program.

DATS2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES

O Mandatory
 ※ Optional
 △ Not offered in 2024-2025
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 Activity with requisites
 @ Open to incoming exchange students
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 [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

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

Year 12

o Statistical modelling

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O LSTAT2120	Linear models	Christian Hafner	

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Deep learning for Insurance and Finance	Donatien Hainaut	<pre>Interpretation [q2] [15h] [3 Credits] [3]</pre>	×
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& Mathématique - Analyse et algèbre linéaire Each of the following three modules allows acquiring similar skills:

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O LINFO1111	Analysis	Pierre-Antoine Absil François Glineur	EE [q1] [45h+37.5h] [7 Credits] 🛞
O LINFO1112	Algebra	Christophe Craeye Enrico Vitale	FR [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 🛞

S Module 2

• LINGE1114	Mathematics I: analysis	Heiner Olbermann	💷 [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 🕮
O LINGE1121	Mathematics II: algebra and matrix calculus	Cécile Coyette (compensates Tom Claeys)	FR [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] 🛞

S Module 3

O LMAT1101	Mathematics 1	Pedro Dos Santos Santana Forte Vaz	1733 [q1] [30h+20h] [4 Credits] 🛞
• LMAT1102	Mathematics 2	Augusto Ponce	

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 puposes 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.

Prerequisities list

LDATS2940 "Stage en science des données" has prerequisite(s) LSTAT2020 ET LSTAT2110 ET LSTAT2120

• LSTAT2020 - Statistical softwares and basic statistical programming

- LSTAT2110 Data Analysis
- •LSTAT2120 Linear models

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a reference framework of learning outcomes specifies the 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.

DATS2M - Information

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.

SUMMARY

• > General access requirements

			authorisation from the faculty/ school.
Bachelor in Economics and Management Bachelor in Bioengineering Bachelor in Management		Access with additional training	Straight access, but the program is completed with an additional training of maximum 10C
Other Bachelor	if no minor in computer sciences / statistics and data sciences	Access based on application	

Masters		
Master degree from the French community of Belgium: Civil engineer Computer sciences Engineer in management Actuarial sciences Mathematical sciences Statistics Biostatistics Physical sciences	Direct access	Subject to the acceptance of the file by the jury, a student can be exempted from maximum 60 credits of activity and possibly realize the Master's degree in sciences of the data in a single year.
Other master degrees	Access based on application	Subject to the acceptance of the file by the jury, a student can be exempted from maximum 60 credits of activity and possibly realize the Master's degree in sciences of the data in a single year

Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

Access based on validation of professional experience

It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about Validation of priori experience.

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Foreign students who have succeeded an university education (minimum 3 years) with strong quantitative connotation and who have obtained at least 70% (or 14/20) of average for all successful university years in their home university, without fail in mathematics/ statistics/probability, have the possibility to apply for admission to the master's program in Data Science (120 ECTS).

Students who wish to be admitted on the basis of a dossier are invited to consult the criteria for the evaluation of application.

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Teaching method

By its professional vocation, the teaching is completed by numerous practical class having for objective the implementation of methods of analysis on real data. On the other hand, the student also has the possibility of including in his program, a company internship to develop the methodological aspects of the report there. Certain projects will also require working in multidisciplinary teams, what contributes to the development of a stimulating and friendly spirit of collaboration among the students of the program.

The majority of the courses distributed by the teachers are accompanied by an intranet site on the platform "moodle". These sites propose tools of e-learning and serve as forum to the students.

Certificates

The LSBA also proposes diverse programs of continuous training (certified or not), as the university certificate in statistics and data