MECA2M - Introduction

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This program trains students various fields of mechanical engineering: fluid mechanics, analytical and computational applied mechanics,

5.6 Give convincing oral presentations using appropriate communication techniques.

Display rigour, openness, and critical thinking. Be able to adopt the appropriate global point of view to validate the socio-technical relevance of a hypothesis or a solution, all the while drawing upon available technological and scientific innovations.

6.1 Apply standards and assure the robustness of a solution in the fields of mechanics and electricity.

6.2 Put solutions into perspective by including non-technical concerns (for example, in the area of energy and climate, take environmental and social angles into consideration).

6.3 Demonstrate critical thinking vis-à-vis technical solutions.

6.4 Evaluate one’s own work

Programme structure

Besides a core curriculum (33 credits) and a final specialization (30 credits), students complete their technical training by selecting courses (a minimum of 34 credits) among the following:

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				Year 1	2
LMECA2840	Project in Mechanical Design II	Bruno Dehez Christophe Everarts (compensates Benoît Raucent) Renaud Ronsse	EN [q1+q2] [30h+30h] [6 Credits] *> French-friendly*	x	
LEPL2020	Professional integration work *The modules of LEPL2020 course are organized over the two annual blocks of the master's degree. It is strongly recommended that students take them from year 1, but they will only be able to register for the course at the earliest the year in which they present their final graduation project.* *Students who have other professional integration activities in their personal programme, or who can demonstrate an equivalent activity could be exempted from this course. This equivalence is at the discretion of the examination board. Another activity should then be chosen to reach the number of ECTS required for their graduation.*		EN [q1+q2] [30h+15h] [2 Credits] △ *> French-friendly*	x	x

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS [30.0]

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Content:

				Year 1	Year 2
LMECA2220	Internal combustion engines	Hervé Jeanmart Maxime Pochet (compensates Francesco Contino)	EN [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	x	
LMECA2322	Fluid mechanics II	Philippe Chatelain Eric Deleersnijder Grégoire Winckelmans	EN [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	x	
LMECA2410	Mechanics of Materials	Laurent Delannay Nicolas Moës (compensates Aude Simar)	EN [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	x	
LMECA2755	Industrial automation	Bruno Dehez Paul Fisette Renaud Ronsse	EN [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	x	
LMECA2854	Heat and mass transfer II	Yann Bartosiewicz Matthieu Duponcheel	EN [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	x	
LMECA2801	Machine design	Yorick Havelange (compensates Benoît Raucent) Benoît Raucent	EN [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > French-friendly	x	

OPTIONS [54.0]

MAJORS FOR THE MASTER'S DEGREE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

MAJOR IN AERONAUTICS

Open to all students of civil and mechanical engineering and electromechanical engineering, classes in this major review mechanical applications of aeronautics: aeronautic structures, vibrations, aerodynamics, dynamics of flight, etc. The learning process consists of advanced classes in the mechanics of fluids and solids, with particular attention paid to numerical methods. This major is complemented

MAJOR IN DYNAMICS, ROBOTIC AND BIOMECHANICS

Open to all students of civil and mechanical engineering and electromechanical engineering, classes in this major review dynamics, robotics as well as biomechanics. Whether it be an analysis of vibrations, adjustment of a robot or the design and production of components or micro-components in bioengineering (for example, artificial Implants, valves and prosthetics), this major allows students to address one or more applications from a mechanics perspective. This major is complemented by the majors in Aeronautics, Energy as well as Design, Manufacturing and Materials Mechanics especially for students interested in problems related to dynamics and robotics in aeronautics and energy. The design and the choice of materials is crucial whether it be for the adjustment of a robot or the selection of bio-materials in rehabilitation projects.

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From 20 to 30credit(s)

Content:

				Year 1	Year 2
LGBIO2040	Biomechanics	Greet Kerckhofs	EN [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] > *French-friendly*	x	x
LGCIV2042	Dynamics of structures	João Saraiva Esteves Pacheco De Alm	EN [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] > *French-friendly*	x	

MAJOR IN ENERGY

Classes in this major review the subject of energy in the real world. This subject is addressed in its entirety first by the study of production techniques and energy conversion (thermal machines, nuclear energy, renewable energy) followed by an analysis of the risks associated with energy production and the means of minimising these risks (major risks, pollution) and finally a study of energy consumption and its consequences. This major is complemented by the major in Aeronautics for those students interested in problems of energy and motorisation in aeronautics. This is also the case for the major in Dynamics, Robotics and Biomechanics as well as the major in Design, Manufacturing and Materials Mechanics for students interested in dynamics, automation, and materials used in the design and maintenance of systems of production and energy conversion.

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From 20 to 30credit(s)

Year

MAJOR IN NUCLEAR ENGINEERING

As with the Master's in civil electromechanical engineering with a specialization in energy as well as the Master's in civil and mechanical engineering, the goal of this major is to offer an in-depth education in the principal aspects of nuclear engineering. Entry into this programme, which is primarily overseen by the Mol Centre of Nuclear Energy, is conditional on an evaluation of candidates' skills based on the rules used for ERASMUS-SOCRATES exchange students. Further information about this major may be found on Mol's website SCK-CEN.

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				Year 1	Year 2
Compulsory courses for the nuclear engineering major (10 credits)					
O LMECA2600	Introduction to nuclear engineering and reactor technology	Hamid Aït Abderrahim	EN [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] *> French-friendly*	x	
O LMECA2648	Nuclear thermal-hydraulics (Centre d'étude nucléaire-Mol)	Yann Bartosiewicz	EN [q1] [40h+7.5h] [5 Credits] *> French-friendly*		x
Elective courses for the nuclear engineering major					
⊠ LBNEN2002	Introduction to Nuclear Physics & Measurements (Centre d'étude nucléaire-Mol)		EN [q1] [] [3 Credits]		x
⊠ LBNEN2003	Safety of Nuclear Powerplants (Centre d'étude nucléaire-Mol)		EN [q2] [] [5 Credits]		x
⊠ LBNEN2011	Radiation protection (Centre d'étude nucléaire-Mol)		EN [q1] [] [3 Credits]	x	x

MAJOR IN DESIGN, MANUFACTURING AND MECHANICS OF MATERIALS

Open to civil, mechanical and electromechanical engineering students, this major reviews design, manufacturing and the importance of materials in the development of a mechanical system. It also addresses physical and chemical properties and the behaviour of metals, polymers and composites. Next, the main techniques for shaping these materials (moulding by injection or compression, stretching, laminating, forging, extrusion, embossing) are studied from the thermo-mechanical and technological point of view. Finally, numerical modelling of these procedures is tackled with particular attention paid to welding techniques. All phases of the mechanical manufacturing process are studied from the design stage to the setting up of suitable manufacturing techniques to the production schedule and organisation of working groups. This major is rounded out by those in aeronautics and energy as well as dynamics, robotics and biomechanics for students interested in issues pertaining to design, manufacturing and the importance of materials be they in aeronautics, energy, transportation or bio-engineering.

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Comprehensive courses

				Year 1	Year 2
LELEC1530	Basic analog and digital electronic circuits	Martin Andraud Denis Flandre	FR [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
LELEC1370	Measurements and electrical circuits	Christophe Craeye Bruno Dehez Claude Oestges (coord.)	FR [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
LINMA1510	Linear Control	Gianluca Bianchin	EN [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits] *> French-friendly*	x	x
LMECA1451	Mechanical manufacturing.	Laurent Delannay Aude Simar	FR [q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
LMECA2645	Major technological hazards in industrial activity.	Aude Simar	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits]	x	x

OPTIONS ET COURS AU CHOIX EN CONNAISSANCES SOCIO-ÉCONOMIQUES [3.0]

BUSINESS RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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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'entreprenariat 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.

L'étudiant.e qui choisit de valider cette option doit sélectionner au minimum 20 crédits et au maximum 25 crédits. Cette option n'est pas accessible en anglais et ne peut être prise simultanément avec l'option « Enjeux de l'entreprise ».

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Required courses

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LINEO2001	Théorie de l'entrepreneuriat	Frank Janssen	FR [q1] [30h+20h] [5 Credits]	x	
LINEO2002	Aspects juridiques, économiques et managériaux de la création d'entreprise	Yves De Cordt Marine Falize	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]	x	
LINEO2003	Plan d'affaires et étapes-clefs de la création d'entreprise *Les séances du cours LINEO2003 sont réparties sur les deux blocs annuels du master. L'étudiant doit les suivre dès le bloc annuel 1, mais ne pourra inscrire le cours que dans son programme de bloc annuel 2.*	Frank Janssen	FR [q2] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]		x
LINEO2004	Séminaire d'approfondissement en entrepreneuriat	Frank Janssen	FR [q2] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]	x	

Prerequisite courses

Student who have not taken management courses during their previous studies must enroll in LINEO2021.

LINEO2021	Financer son projet	Philippe Grégoire Olivier Vercruysse	FR [q2] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]	x	

				Year 1	2
⊠ 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] [45h] [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]		

Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

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.

MECA2M - 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

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	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			
Bachelor in Engineering		Direct access	Students who have neither major nor minor in the field of their civil engineering Master's degree may have an adapted master programme.
Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelor in Engineering		Direct access	Students with a Bachelor’s degree in engineering sciences who have not taken the equivalent of a minor in the field of their civil enginering master degree may have an adapted master programme.
Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelor in engineering		Access with additional training	Students who have no specialisation in the field of their civil enginering master degree may have an adapted master programme with up to 60 additional credits.
Foreign Bachelors			
Bachelor in engineering	Bachelors degree of Cluster Institution	Direct access	Students with a Bachelor’s degree in engineering sciences who have not taken the equivalent of a minor in the field of their civil enginering master

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

Over the years, EPL has developed over a hundred partnerships with partners in more than 36 countries (EU and non-EU) to offer exchange programmes to its students. We also offer the possibility of obtaining Double degrees, Joint Degrees or Dual Masters in several fields. The EPL is currently participating in two Erasmus Mundus programmes: FAME and STRAINS.

In addition to exchange programmes under the Erasmus+ programme, numerous agreements have been established with a wide range of universities through various partner networks such as:

- TIME network (Top Industrial Managers in Europe).

- CLUSTER network

- Magalhães network

- Circle U. network through several networks and European University Alliance

So, there's no shortage of opportunities to gain an additional qualification and/or spend part of the year abroad during your two-year

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Curriculum Management

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