



FYAP2M - Introduction

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The Master's degree programme in Physical Engineering is multidisciplinary due to the in-depth study of various fields pertaining to physics and a wide range of industrial professions and specialisations as well as research based on advanced technologies.

This Master's degree programme is founded on:

- Formal concepts associated with the field
- The use numerical simulation tools
- Experiments based on practical work

Your profile

You

- Have solid knowledge of physics and mathematics;
- Seek a programme that focuses on current technological and scientific issues and the national and international job market
- Want to participate in the design of high tech products: optics, thin strata, magnetic devices, transducers, sensors, nuclear tools, quantum physics, electronic materials, systems based on the interaction of radiation materials or objects produced from nanotechnologies

Your future job

Civil engineers are present in all industrial sectors: the chemical industry, pharmaceuticals and food production, electronics and telecommunication industry, energy, metallurgy, aeronautics, design and civil engineering, large scale distribution, banking or consulting services, nanotechnologies and medical technology, etc.

They play a role as researchers and developers overseeing production or management and holding positions in marketing and sales (of high tech products).

We find them in finance departments, information technology fields, quality control, the public sector, higher education and the Ministry of equipment and transport (www.fabi.be)

Your programme

This Master's degree offers:

- Solid training applied physics
- An interdisciplinary approach at the interface between physics and material sciences
- Experience in laboratories and with research projects
- Exposure to the industrial sector: factory visits, internships, projects carried out in companies
- The opportunity to complete coursework abroad

This Master's degree programme consists of compulsory classes that aim to round out basic knowledge as well as a large selection of elective courses grouped into five majors that may potentially be completed by classes taken at UCLouvain.

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Learning outcomes

Physical engineers master the physical aspects of how objects function and their interaction with the environment (waves, light, ions,

6.2 Find solutions that go beyond strictly technical issues by considering sustainable development and the socio-economic ethics of a project (for example, "life cycle analysis").

6.3 Demonstrate critical awareness of a technical solution in order to verify its robustness and minimize the risks that may occur during implementation (this skill is mainly developed through the graduation project as either a critical analysis of manufacturing and classification techniques or a discussion of research perspectives and development as part of a Master's thesis).

6.4 Evaluate oneself and independently develop necessary skills for "lifelong learning" (this skill is mainly developed as part of class projects requiring bibliographic research).

Programme structure

The student's programme includes:

- A common core curriculum (32 credits)
- A final specialisation (30 credits)
- One of more of the major courses or elective courses.

The graduation project is normally completed in the second year. However, students may, depending on the nature of their project, choose to take their classes in the first or second year so long as their course prerequisites allow it. This is particularly the case for students completing part of their program abroad.

If during the student's previous studies, he or she has already taken a course that is part of the programme (either required or elective) or they have participated in an academic activity that is approved by the programme commission, the student may count this activity toward their graduation requirements (but only if they respect programme rules). The student will also verify that he/she has obtained the minimum number of credits requested for the approval of their diploma as well as for the approval of their major (in order to include their academic distinctions in the diploma supplement).

These types of programmes will be submitted for approval by the relevant Master's degree programme commission.

FYAP2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES

- Mandatory
 - ✘ Optional
 - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
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OPTIONS

Dans la rubrique "Options du master ingénieur civil physicien", l'étudiant-e doit valider au moins une des options proposées.

Dans la rubrique "Options et cours au choix en connaissances socioéconomiques", l'étudiant-e valide une des deux options ou choisit obligatoirement au minimum 3 crédits parmi les cours au choix ou les cours de l'option en enjeux de l'entreprise.

MAJOR IN NANOTECHNOLOGY


MAJOR ADVANCED ELECTRONIC MATERIALS AND DEVICES

- Mandatory
 - ✘ Optional
 - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
 - ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
 - ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
 - △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
 - Activity with requisites
 - 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
 - 🌐 Not open to incoming exchange students
 - [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)
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OPTIONS ET COURS AU CHOIX EN CONNAISSANCES SOCIO-ÉCONOMIQUES

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COURS AU CHOIX EN CONNAISSANCES SOCIO-ÉCONOMIQUES

- Mandatory
 - ✘ Optional
 - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
 - ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
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 - Activity with requisites
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⊗ LNEER2500	Seminar of Entry to professional life in Dutch - Intermediate level	Isabelle Demeulenaere (coord.)	SE [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	SE [q1 or q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	x	x

⊗ **Group dynamics**

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

⊗ **Autres UEs hors-EPL**

L'étudiant-e peut choisir maximum 8 crédits de cours hors EPL, considérés comme non-disciplinaires par la commission de programme.

Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning

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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	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 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 engineering 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 engineering 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 engineering master

Teaching method

Methods that promote multidisciplinary studies

The Master's degree programme in physical engineering is interdisciplinary because acts as an interface between physics and materials science. Its versatile foundation exposes students to the wide scope of applied physics from practical training and cutting edge research to majors in the main branches of physics and materials science: nano-technologies, materials science, photovoltaics, fundamental and applied physics and light-matter interaction. Students also have the possibility of studying management thanks to majors in management and small and medium sized business creation. The programme includes a significant portion of the classes with the PHYS (or PHY) designation as well as MATH, INMA and MECA classes, which is evidence of the programme's multidisciplinary nature. Finally students are allowed to select up to 40 credits of elective courses offered as part of the programmes in natural sciences or medicine at UCLouvain and up to 6 credits of courses in human sciences, which allows for tailor made course schedules.

Various teaching strategies

The pedagogy used in the Master's degree programme in physical engineering is consistent with that 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. A major characteristic of the programme is the immersion of students in professors' research laboratories (and at times teaching laboratories, case studies, projects, theses) that expose students to advanced methods used in the discipline and allows them to learn by questioning, a process inherent in the research process. An optional 9-week internship of 10 credits (or 5 credits if completed alongside a thesis) places students at the centre of research and allows them to develop their skills through their contact with the professional world.

Diverse learning situations

Students will be exposed to varied pedagogical methods: lectures, projects, exercise tutorials, problem-solving sessions, case studies, experimental laboratories, computer simulations, internships in industry or research, graduation projects, group work, individual work, conferences given by outside researchers, exposure to cutting edge research, etc. This variety of teaching techniques allows students to learn in an iterative and progressive manner all the while developing their autonomy as well as their organisational, time management and communication skills.

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".

Evaluation methods conform to the rules used to evaluate coursework and exams. Further details about the methods specific to each academic department may be found in their respective evaluation descriptions ("Evaluating students' knowledge").

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. Professors provide details about evaluation methods used in their courses at the beginning of each semester.

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 Master's degree! It's the perfect opportunity to discover or improve your knowledge of a foreign language, tackle subjects from a new angle and gain unique experience in Europe or the rest of the world.

If you would like more information, please visit the dedicated pages of the [EPL International Office](#) to discover all the destinations, testimonials from former students and all the procedures to follow to make these opportunities a success.

