

SINF2M1 - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

The computer science developers and designers of tomorrow face two major challenges:

- increasingly complex computer science systems
- increasingly varied areas of application

In order to meet these challenges, future diploma holders should:

- master real computer science technologies but also keep up with their constant progress
- work as part of multidisciplinary teams that take into account non-technical issues

This master 60 aims at the in-depth understanding of concepts and the acquisition of thinking and abstraction skills. This theoretical approach is supplemented by the application of concepts which takes an important place in the training. The program therefore includes many projects and works.

Except for exceptions specified in the detailed program, all the courses of the program are given in English, the command of this language being essential in the field of data processing. This offers French-speaking students the opportunity to practice English intensively during their training.

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

1. Demonstrate mastery of a solid body of knowledge in computer science allowing them to solve problems raised in their field of study

This Master's degree programme aims to provide students with advanced knowledge and is based on the fundamentals of computer science acquired in the Bachelor's degree programme. A diversity of subjects are offered in the common curriculum:

- Networking;
- Programming languages;
- Software engineering;
- Artificial intelligence .

2. Organise and carry out the development of a computer system that meets the complex demands of a client

2.1. Analyse a problem to solve or functional needs to be met and formulate a corresponding specifications note.

2.2. Model a problem and design one or more technical solutions in line with the specifications note.

2.3. Evaluate and classify solutions in light of all the criteria included in the specifications note: efficiency, feasibility, quality, ergonomics and environmental security.

2.4. Implement and test the chosen solution.

2.5. Come up with recommendations to improve the operational nature of the solution.

3. Contribute as part of a team to the planning and completion of a project while taking into account its objectives, allocated resources, and constraints

3.1. Frame and explain the project's objectives (in terms of performance indicators) while taking into account its issues and constraints

3.2. Collaborate on a work schedule, deadlines and roles

3.3. Work in a multidisciplinary environment with peers holding different points of view; manage any resulting disagreement or conflicts

3.4. Make team decisions and assume the consequences of these decisions (whether they are about technical solutions or the division of labour to complete a project)

4. Communicate effectively (orally or in writing) with the goal of carrying out assigned projects in the workplace (in English in particular)

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Programme structure

The student's master's program 60 in computer science will total a minimum of 60 credits distributed over an annual block comprising a core (21 credits), a final thesis (15 credits) and units of elective course (24 credits).

This programme may vary depending on students' prior course of study. If during their previous studies, students have already taken a relevant class or completed an equivalent activity, they may substitute this course with an activity of their choice from the Master's degree programme (120) in computer science (provided they follow the programme guidelines). They will also verify that the minimum number of required credits for their diploma has been obtained.

Such programmes will be submitted to the appropriate programme commission for approval.

The majority of courses in this programme are offered in English. For non-Francophone students, alternative courses will be suggested by the programme commission as substitutes for required courses taught in French. This will be done on a case by case basis depending on the student's curriculum.

It is possible for students to speak in French in class or during evaluations. Specifically, the graduation thesis/project may be written and defended in either English or French.

For students coming from bachelor's degrees in management information technology or computer science and systems from the Hautes Ecoles, the program also includes an additional module comprising 45 credits which must be taken as a priority during the first registration of the master's degree. Including this complementary module, the student's complete program should reach 105 credits spread over 3 annual blocks.

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Descriptive

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offered the following year
 at the following year
 or the following year

change students
 (EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

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

Specialised courses in computer science

The student chooses courses from:

LINFO2132 Languages and translators

Ramin Sadre


EN [q2] [30h+30h] [6 Credits]

⌘ LINFO2401	Open Source strategy for software development	Lionel Dricot	EN [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]  > French-friendly
⌘ LINFO2402	Open Source Project		EN [q1+q2] [0h] [5 Credits]  > French-friendly

o Interdisciplinary courses in the humanities and social sciences

o LEPL2211	Business issues introduction	Benoit Gailly	EN [q2] [30h] [3 Credits]  > French-friendly
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o Master Thesis (15 credits)

o LINFO2991	Graduation project/End of studies project <i>The graduation project can be written and presented in French or English, in consultation with the supervisor. It may be accessible to exchange students by prior agreement between the supervisors and/or the two universities.</i>		EN [q1+q2] [] [15 Credits] 
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Supplementary classes

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

- 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
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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.

SINF2M1 - 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.

BA en informatique de gestion - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique et systèmes, orientation informatique industrielle - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique et systèmes, orientation réseaux et télécommunications - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique et systèmes, orientation sécurité des systèmes - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique et systèmes, orientation technologie de l'informatique - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique, orientation développement d'applications - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique, orientation informatique industrielle - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique, orientation réseaux et télécommunications - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique, orientation sécurité des systèmes - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

BA en informatique, orientation technologies de l'informatique - crédits supplémentaires entre 30 et 60

Les enseignements supplémentaires éventuels peuvent être consultés dans le [module complémentaire](#).

Type court

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			

Masters

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.

The first step of the admission procedure requires to submit an application online : <https://uclouvain.be/en/study/inscriptions/futurs-etudiants.html>.

[Selection criteria are summarized here](#) (contact : epl-admission@uclouvain.be).

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Entity

Structure entity	SST/EPL/INFO
Denomination	(INFO)
Faculty	Louvain School of Engineering (EPL)
Sector	Sciences and Technology (SST)
Acronym	INFO
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Jury

- Président du Jury: [Claude Oestges](#)
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Useful Contact(s)

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- Study advisor: [Cécile Lombart](#)

