Programme syllabus

Degree Programme in Computer Science and Engineering
Civilingenjörsutbildning i datateknik
300.0 credits

Valid for students admitted to the education from autumn 20 (HT - Autumn term; VT - Spring term).

This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, programme syllabus.

Programme objectives

The Engineering programme in Computer Science at KTH aims to give students opportunities and ability to participate in and lead the work on valuation, development and introduction of new computer technology.

Knowledge and understanding

The programme has the goal that a Master of Computer Science and Engineering should

- have fundamental knowledge within Computer Science and Engineering
- have profound knowledge in mathematics, i.e. have the ability to explain and carry out mathematical reasoning and define and analyse mathematical models
- have knowledge in human- and natural sciences, especially such knowledge which has consequences for design of computerized systems
- have knowledge about industrial entrepreneurship and relevant legislation.

Skills and abilities

The programme has the goal that a Master of Computer Science and Engineering should

- have prerequisites and abilities to participate in and develop the practices which are applied in industry, administration, and academic research
- have the ability to independently define and solve computer-related construction problems
- have the prerequisites for successful work in international and multidisciplinary project groups which consist of people from both technical and non-technical backgrounds. This includes the ability to orally, and in writing, present as well as argue in Swedish and English.

Ability to make judgements and adopt a standpoint
The programme has the goal that a Master of Computer Science and Engineering should

- Independently analyse and adopt a standpoint on economical, societal, environment-related and ethical consequences of computer science applications, and to design systems concerning this
- Through self-development, retain one’s professional abilities during a professional career
- Follow and promote the discussion concerning technology in society.

**Extent and content of the programme**

The Master of Computer Science and Engineering is composed of 300 ECTS credits, which corresponds to 5 years of full-time study (10 semesters). The first three years (180 ECTS credits) are on undergraduate level, and will be given in Swedish. The final two years (120 ECTS credits) will be given in English. Students in the Computer Science programme have a guaranteed place in the following master's programmes, but it can be changed. Note that there might be special course requirements for admission to some of the programmes.

- Computer Science
- Interactive Media Technology
- Software Engineering of Distributed Systems
- ICT Innovation
- Machine Learning
- Information and Network Engineering
- Systems, Controls and Robotics
- Communications Systems
- Embedded Systems
- Industrial Management
- Applied Computational Mathematics
- Medical Engineering

**Eligibility and selection**

General admission requirements and special admission requirements must be fulfilled in order to be admitted: Mathematics 4, Physics 2 and Chemistry 1, with the lowest grade E.

Selection is based on high school grades and results of the university examination, two thirds of the places are appointed on the basis of grades and one third on the basis of the university degree.

**Implementation of the education**

**Structure of the education**

Each academic year consists of two semesters which are 20 weeks each, and each semester is further divided into two study periods.

The syllabus for the Master of Computer Science and Engineering programme (300 ECTS) consists of
• mainly mandatory courses in study year 1–3 (180 ECTS), which concluded by a degree project at undergraduate level
• courses in study year 4-5 (120 ECTS), within the chosen master's programme, of which at least 60 credits must consist of courses in computer science at second cycle. The courses are mandatory, conditionally elective and elective. Year 5 is concluded by a degree project in second cycle.

Courses

The programme is course-based. Lists of courses are included in appendix 1.

Courses at KTH can be either mandatory, conditionally elective or elective.

Grading system

Courses in the first and the second cycle are graded on a scale from A to F. A-E are passing grades, A is the highest grade. The grades pass (P) and fail (F) are used for courses under certain circumstances.

The grading scale is found in the course syllabus.

Conditions for participation in the programme

Participation requires admission and course registration for courses given within the programme.

For further studies, special admission requirements for the course are to be fulfilled. Special admission requirements are listed in the respective course syllabus.

Conditions for further studies

The student must apply in year 3 for the master's programme study years 4–5. In order to be eligible for advanced level studies within the integrated Master of Science programmes at KTH, you are required to complete 150 credits from year 1-3. Of these, 110 credits must be from the year 1-2 curriculum. In addition to these credits, the bachelor thesis needs to be completed before Master’s level studies commence. Additional specific eligibility requirements may apply to certain programs and appear in the respective Education Plan.

Degree project

Within the programme there are requirements for two degree work courses, one in the first cycle in year 3 (15 credits) and one in year 5 within the second cycle (30 credits). The degree project is the final part of the education. The project work may begin when special admission requirements for the course are fulfilled.

Special conditions

For a student who does a degree project examined by any other school than EECS, the programme director for the Master of science of engineering programme in Computer Science and Engineering (CDATE) must approve the specification before the thesis can begin. The final report shall then also be reviewed by the programme director for CDATE to certify the relevance of the degree project in relation to the programme.

Degree
The degree is entitled Degree of Master of Science in Engineering (Civilingenjörsexamen). The text on the degree certificate states the educational programme Computer Science.

Appendix 1 - Course list
Appendix 2 - Programme syllabus descriptions
# Appendix 1: Course list

Degree Programme in Computer Science and Engineering (CDATE), Programme syllabus for studies starting in autumn 2020

## General courses

### Year 1

**Mandatory courses (64.0 Credits)**

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<td>Writing in the Engineering Profession</td>
<td>4.5 hp</td>
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<td>Programming</td>
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<td>Algorithms and Data Structures</td>
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<td>Project in Introduction to Computer Science</td>
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<td>Programme Integrating Course in Computer Science</td>
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<td>DD1396</td>
<td>Parallel and Concurrent Programming in Introduction to Computer Science</td>
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<td>DH1620</td>
<td>Human-Computer Interaction, Introductory Course</td>
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<td>SF1547</td>
<td>Numerical Methods, Basic Course</td>
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<td>SF1624</td>
<td>Algebra and Geometry</td>
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<td>Calculus in One Variable</td>
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<td>SF1671</td>
<td>Mathematics, Basic course, with Discrete Mathematics</td>
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### Year 2

**Mandatory courses (57.0 Credits)**

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<td>Logic for Computer Scientists</td>
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<td>DD1362</td>
<td>Programming Paradigms</td>
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<td>DD1368</td>
<td>Database Technology</td>
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Conditionally elective courses

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<td>Models and Simulation</td>
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<td>SF1626</td>
<td>Calculus in Several Variable</td>
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Information regarding conditionally elective courses

At least one of the two conditionally elective courses should be taken.

Year 3

Mandatory courses (50.0 Credits)

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<td>Discrete Mathematics</td>
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Supplementary information
Year 4

Supplementary information

During study years 4-5 the students follow a master programme of their choice. The listed master programmes below will give a Degree of Master of Science in Engineering in Computer Science (but it can be changed). For admission to some of the programmes it can be special course requirements.

- Computer Science
- Interactive Media Technology
- Software Engineering of Distributed Systems
- ICT Innovation
- Machine Learning
- Information and Network Engineering
- Systems, Controls and Robotics
- Communications Systems
- Embedded Systems
- Industrial Management
- Applied Computational Mathematics
- Medical Engineering.

Year 5

Supplementary information

During study years 4-5 the students have to follow a master programme.
Appendix 2: Specialisations

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This programme has no specialisations.