Programme syllabus

Degree Programme in Materials Design and Engineering
Civilingenjörsutbildning i materialdesign

300.0 credits

Valid for students admitted to the education from autumn 19 (HT - Autumn term; VT - Spring term).

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

Programme objectives

In addition to the objectives specified in the Swedish Higher Education Ordinance, a graduate Master of Science in Engineering from the Degree Programme in Materials Design and Engineering at KTH shall have the following knowledge, skills and abilities of judgment…

Knowledge and understanding

- Possess broad knowledge of Materials Design and Engineering in order to develop and manufacture new materials based on metals, ceramics, polymers and fibre materials
- Have in-depth knowledge within the field of materials science and of the relationship between the production, structure, properties and use of materials. The scientific perspective should be able to include all scales of lengths, from the nanometre level across the micrometre level to the component level in the finished product.

Skills and abilities

- Possess experimental skills trained in material synthesis and material analysis, as well as analytical skill and systems thinking trained in material selection and the design of new materials and processes
- Employ a holistic perspective to material selection and the development and use of materials based on an industrial ecological approach. This involves a systems approach where functionality, performance, reliability and economy are interwoven with aspects of sustainability such as environmental impact, ecocycle adaptation and availability
- Possess the requisite personal and professional skills, such as in the area of language, leadership, project management and communication, to work as an engineer in a management position or as a leader within a technology-intensive company

Ability to make judgements and adopt a standpoint

- Have a good understanding of the fact that engineering problems, viewed from a systems perspective, are often complex, can be incompletely defined and sometimes involve conflicting conditions
- Employ a reflective approach to accountability and ethical issues within technical, organisational, economic, ecological and societal systems

The KTH local Degree Ordinance can be found in the KTH regulatory framework. www.kth.se
Extent and content of the programme

The Degree Programme in Materials Design and Engineering comprises 300 higher education credits, which corresponds to 5 years of full-time studies at a normal study pace (10 semesters).

The programme's first three years (180 credits) are primarily first cycle.

During the two final years (120 credits), the student undertakes a Master's programme. Master's programme courses are conducted primarily in the second cycle.

The academic year 2019/2020 offers the following Master's programmes that lead to a Degree of Master of Science in Materials Design and Engineering:

- Sustainable Energy Engineering
- Industrial Engineering and Management
- Production Engineering and Management
- Nuclear Energy Engineering
- Macromolecular Materials
- Naval Architecture (the track Lightweight Structures)
- Nanotechnology
- Engineering Mechanics (track Solid Mechanics)
- Engineering Materials Science (track Industrial Materials)

The range of offered Master's programmes may be revised. An updated list of elective Master's programmes can be found on the KTH student web for each respective academic year.

Language of instruction

The language of instruction for the first three years of first cycle is mainly Swedish, but the language of instruction in the second cycle for the final two years is mostly English.

Eligibility and selection

Admission to the Degree Programme in Materials Design and Engineering requires the general entry requirements for higher education, and also special admission requirements as follows:

Upper-secondary education before 1 July 2011 and upper-secondary adult education before 1 July 2012

Field-specific entry requirement 9

Specific admission requirements corresponding to:

Mathematics E, Physics B and Chemistry A.
In each of the subjects, a minimum grade of Pass or 3 is required.

Upper-secondary education from 1 July 2011 and upper-secondary adult education from 1 July 2012 (Gy11/Vux12)

Field-specific entry requirement A9

Specific admission requirements corresponding to:

Mathematics 4, Physics 2 and Chemistry 1.
A grade of E is required as a minimum in each of the subjects.

* For more information on field-specific entry requirements, see www.uka.se
Otherwise refer to the KTH admission regulations in the KTH regulatory framework. www.kth.se
Implementation of the education

Structure of the education

Academic year
The academic year comprises 40 weeks and is divided into four periods. If necessary, instruction may be provided outside the parameters of the academic year.

The division of the academic year is presented on the KTH student web www.kth.se

Years 1-3, studies at first cycle
The programme syllabus consists of the compulsory foundation block in the years 1-3 in the first cycle (G), and also of a Master's programme in the second cycle (A), years 4-5, which concludes with a degree project of 30 credits.

The programme is organised around courses in applied subjects relating to mathematics, engineering science and technology. The teaching and use of professional skills and abilities of great importance to a certified engineer, including communication, ethics, entrepreneurship, sustainable development, corporate and societal aspects, are integrated into the courses.

To create a unified whole, the programme emphasises cooperation between different subjects, both within a specific year and between years. This is achieved through courses being coordinated on the schedule, via joint degree projects and written assignments etc.

The education in years 1 and 2 and parts of year 3 are common for all students on the programme. Prior to the concluding stage of the education, the student chooses a Master's programme. Within the chosen Master's programme, a specialised applied area within the materials design and engineering field is studied.

The programme is designed so that the student, after three years, has the opportunity to obtain a Degree of Bachelor of Science.

Mathematical natural science courses
This block contains basic courses in mathematics and natural science and is chiefly located in year 1. The remaining courses are given in year 2.

Technology courses
This block includes basic engineering science courses within the field of materials, such as solid mechanics, thermodynamics, engineering materials and production processes for metals, ceramics, polymers and fibre-based materials. This block is begun in year 1 and concluded in year 3.

The first 3 years conclude with a first-cycle degree project worth 15 credits within a chosen technical field. After completing 180 credits, the student can apply for a technical Degree of Bachelor if the qualification requirements are met.

Years 4-5, Master's years 1-2, second-cycle studies
The Master's programmes represent a subject specialisation and consist mainly of advanced courses and a second-cycle degree project within one and the same engineering science discipline.
Students on the Materials Design and Engineering Programme can choose from a wide range of Master's programmes with programme syllabuses established in advance.
There is no restriction on the number of places for students on the Materials Design and Engineering Programme when choosing a Master's programme.
The engineer's knowledge of the environment and sustainable development is deepened and concretised through integrating the special aspects of, for example, life-cycle analysis, environmental impact and material selection, which are characteristic of the chosen Master's programmes, in the programme's courses.

Master's programmes that lead to a Degree of Master of Science in Materials Design and Engineering are found under the heading “Scope and content of the programme”:

The range of offered Master's programmes may be revised. An updated list of Master's programmes can be found on the KTH student web for each respective academic year.

Courses

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

The programme consists of compulsory, conditionally elective, recommended and optional courses. The compulsory courses are defined for each year in course lists. The goals, entry requirements, contents and course requirements for each course can be found in their respective course syllabuses.

The forms of teaching and examination vary between courses. These are indicated in each official course syllabus.

The optional courses can be chosen from KTH's range of offered courses. Credits from courses at other universities /higher education institutions can also be transferred.

The following limitations apply to optional courses:

- Optional courses may not be taken in year 1.
- There is a limit imposed on the number of credits that may be chosen per semester
- An optional course may not correspond to a significant extent to an existing programme course or an already credited course
- Higher education preparatory courses may not be counted as optional courses
- Optional courses may be chosen but should be relevant to the professional role of engineer.

Course lists are found in appendix 1.

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.

As the grading systems differ widely between countries, grades from exchange studies are not translated to the KTH grading scale.

Conditions for participation in the programme

Participation requires admission to courses within the programme and course registration. Course registration is done via the personal menu at www.kth.se

For studies at a higher study year there are specific admission requirements for the courses. Admission requirements are specified in the course syllabus.

Application for courses on the programme

Prior to each semester, the student must apply for all courses the student intends to take. Course applications are made via www.antagning.se

- 1 - 15 May for autumn semesters
- 1 - 15 November for spring semesters

If the student does not apply via www.antagning.se, the application is only considered subject to availability.
The student can obtain information on how to apply from the school's office of student affairs.

Course registration

Course registration requires that the student is admitted to the course. At course start, the student must register on the course to which they have been admitted. Course registration must be done individually, either via the student's personal login at www.kth.se or according to instructions from the school offering the course.

A person who has registered on a course, but has subsequently decided not to proceed with the course, must inform the school offering the course as soon as possible or, within three weeks, remove the course registration via the personal login.

Requirements for admission to Master’s Programme:

According to the KTH Admission regulations 2018 (Dnr. V-2017-1014)

"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 one through three. Of these, 110 credits must be from the year 1 and 2 curriculum. In addition to these credits, the bachelor thesis needs to be completed before Master’s level studies commence.

Recognition of previous academic studies

Students have the opportunity to apply to be given credit for results from a course or courses at another higher education institution/university within or outside the country.

As the grading systems differ widely between countries, grades from exchange studies are not translated to the KTH grading scale.

An application is made by submitting a form to the school's office of student affairs.

The entire KTH policy for credit transfer is included in the KTH regulatory framework. www.kth.se

Studies abroad

Students on the Materials Design and Engineering Programme have the opportunity to study abroad through agreements KTH has with universities within and outside the EU.

Exchange studies normally cannot be pursued during the first or second year.

It is also possible to do a degree project abroad, both at the Bachelor and Master level.

The application deadline for studies abroad is around 15 December for the following academic year.

Degree project

Degree project, first cycle

Year 3 of the programme includes a degree project for a Degree of Bachelor of Science which is a course of 15 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.

KTH's comprehensive rules and guidelines for a degree project, 15 credits, for a Degree of Bachelor of Science, 180 credits, can be found in the KTH regulatory framework.

www.kth.se

Degree project, second cycle

The programme includes a degree project for a Degree of Master of Science in Engineering/Degree of Master worth 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.
Degree

Application for a certificate
The student has the possibility of applying for the following degrees:
a Degree of Bachelor of Science and a Degree of Master of Science in Engineering.
The student is also able to apply for a Degree of Master of Science if the requirements for such are met.

The student must personally apply for a certificate.
Applications are made via the web service “Applications for degrees” via the personal login under “Programme”.

Title of general qualification at first cycle
Bachelor of Science (180 credits)
Teknologie kandidatexamen

Title of professional qualifications at second cycle
Degree of Master of Science in Engineering
Civilingenjörsexamen

Title of general qualification at second cycle
Degree of Master of Science (120 credits)
Teknologie masterexamen

Optional introductory courses and preparatory courses cannot be included as part of the degree.

Courses whose content is similar to one or more other courses within the programme cannot be counted as part of the 300 credits that form the basis for the degree.

Refer to the KTH guidelines (KTH regulatory framework), local directions for higher education qualifications at first and second cycle, the local Degree Ordinance www.kth.se

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

Degree Programme in Materials Design and Engineering (CMATD), Programme syllabus for studies starting in autumn 2019

### General courses

#### Year 1

**Mandatory courses (60.0 credits)**

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<td>Chemistry of Materials</td>
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<td>MH1070</td>
<td>Perspectives on Materials Design</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>Calculus in Several Variable</td>
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<td>SG1120</td>
<td>Mechanics I</td>
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<td>SK1117</td>
<td>Electromagnetism and Waves</td>
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#### Year 2

**Mandatory courses (55.0 credits)**

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<td>MH1020</td>
<td>Ceramics</td>
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<td>MH1024</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Materials Science- Metallic Materials</td>
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<td>Thermodynamics of Materials</td>
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<td>Computational Thermodynamics for Materials Design</td>
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<td>Solid Mechanics, Basic Course</td>
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<td>SF1518</td>
<td>Numerical Methods and Basic Programming</td>
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<td>Differential Equations I</td>
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Supplementary information

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Year 3

Mandatory courses (31.0 credits)

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<td>Industrial Management, Basic Course</td>
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<td>Mechanical Properties of Materials</td>
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Industrial Engineering and Management
Production Engineering and Management
Nuclear Energy Engineering
Macromolecular Material
Naval Architecture (the track Lightweight Structures)
Nanotechnology
Engineering Mechanics (track Solid Mechanics)
Engineering Materials Science (track Industrial Materials)

Year 4

Year 5
Appendix 2: Specialisations

Degree Programme in Materials Design and Engineering (CMATD), Programme syllabus for studies starting in autumn 2019

This programme has no specialisations.