



Programme syllabus

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Master's Programme, Integrated Product Design 120 credits

Masterprogram, integrerad produktdesign

Valid for students admitted to the education from autumn 15 (HT - Autumn term; VT - Spring term).

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

Programme objectives

A graduate from the Integrated Product Design programme must:

Knowledge and understanding

- demonstrate knowledge of scientific background and proven experience in the area of innovation and product development;
- have good insight into current research and development work, and be able to use research results in industrial design, integrated product development or innovation;
- develop a deep understanding of innovation and product development processes, be able to use different methods and tools and critically analyze their usefulness;

- have good knowledge of the interactive features of technical products and the interaction between technical systems, financial systems, man and the surrounding environment;
- have good knowledge of techniques to develop ecologically and economically sustainable products;
- have a good foundation in the natural and engineering sciences, with specialization at an advanced level in either industrial design engineering, integrated product development or product innovation.
- assess and analyze design aspects in relation to corporate objectives, market conditions and user needs;
- have a basic knowledge of research methodology.

Skills and abilities

- show the ability to carry out an innovative and professional product development work
- be able to handle fundamental tools for communication, visualisation and prototype development
- be able to take responsibility for planning, organisation, and implementation of efficient product development project work and teamwork

Ability to make judgements and adopt a standpoint

- demonstrate the ability to assess the potential and limitations of technology with regard to relevant scientific, environmental, human, social, ethical and economic aspects;
- demonstrate initiative and innovation to take advantage of exceptional opportunities for achieving a more humane and sustainable society;
- have a good understanding of the inherent complexity of technical systems and an awareness that the process of developing them is often incompletely defined, with conflicting demands and desires;
- develop an ability to identify the need for further knowledge and be able to continuously upgrade their skills.

KTH's local degree ordinance can be found in KTH's guidelines www.kth.se

Extent and content of the programme

The programme comprises 120 higher education credits which correspond to two years of full-time study. The programme is primarily in the second cycle and starts once per year.

Selectable tracks within Integrated Product Design are:

- Industrial Design
- Integrated product development

- Product Innovation

The language of instruction for the programme is English.

Eligibility and selection

To be eligible for this Masters program candidates require a relevant education, preferably in Mechanical Engineering, equivalent to at least 180 credits, a Bachelor of Science degree or another recognised technical degree.

Similar engineering or science education at an undergraduate level can also be considered as an entry requirement, provided that the relevant courses in mechanical engineering and product development have been completed. Other studies or work experience are assessed based on the real skills and competencies acquired. For KTH English language masters programmes, there is a specific requirement for English B or equivalent.

The selection process is based on the following selection criteria: University, previous studies (for instance GPA, grades in specific subjects and English), motivation for the studies (for instance letter of motivation, references, thesis proposal and relevant work experience). The evaluation scale is 1-75.

In general, please refer to the KTH admissions procedure as stated in the KTH rules, www.kth.se.

Implementation of the education

Structure of the education

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Study years, terms, and study periods are described in KTH's guidelines, www.kth.se

The programme starts with a common course package which is both a preparation for research and provides a solid base for the different specializations Industrial design, Integrated product development and Product innovation.

The programme is concluded with a degree project corresponding to 30 higher education credits in the second cycle during the fourth term.

Courses

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

Conditions for participation in the programme

In order for a student to advance to its second academic year, he / she must have completed at least 45 credits during the first academic year until the last resit period before the second academic year begins.

Students who do not meet this requirement should arrange to meet with the counsellor at the ITM School Education Office to establish an individual study plan.

Course enrolment

Registration to all courses within the programme should be made during the preceding semester, in accordance with the KTH central guidelines.

Choice of Track

The choice of Track within the programme (Industrial Design Engineering, Integrated Product Development and Product Innovation) should be specified in the covering letter accompanying each student's application. Applicants should be aware that each Track may have core courses that require prerequisite knowledge, which may involve adaptation courses (see Appendix 1).

All Tracks offer valuable experience in project work:

the Industrial Design Engineering Track particularly focuses on expertise in ergonomics, visualization and communication, 3D modeling, as well as form and function;

the Integrated Product Development Track places special value on expertise in ergonomics, project management and organization;

whilst the Product Innovation Track will hone your expertise in business development, marketing and strategy.

Recognition of previous academic studies

Students have the possibility to apply for recognition of previous academic studies from course(s) at another higher education institution or university, both national and international.

KTH's entire policy for recognition of previous academic studies can be found in KTH's guidelines, www.kth.se

Studies abroad

The degree project can be carried out outside of Sweden with the examiner's approval.

Degree project

The degree project consists of 30 higher education credits in the second cycle.

A student must have completed at least 60 higher education credits, including obligatory courses for the chosen master's programme, before he/she can start his/her degree project.

The degree project work is graded according the seven-level grading system, A-F.

KTH's rules for the degree project for Master's degrees with tracks can be found in KTH's guidelines, www.kth.se

Degree

In order to earn a Degree of Master of Science within Mechanical Engineering (120credits), passing grades in all courses which are included in the student's study plan are required. The study plan must comprise 120 higher education credits which include a degree project consisting of 30 higher education credits, in the second cycle.

The student must apply for the degree and show his/her Bachelor Degree (or corresponding).

KTH's local degree ordinance can be found at www.kth.se

Appendix 1 - Course list

Appendix 2 - Programme syllabus descriptions



Appendix 1: Course list

Master's Programme, Integrated Product Design
(TIPDM)

Track, Concurrent Engineering (IPDB)

Year 1

Mandatory courses (57.0 Credits)

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2031	Advanced Prototyping	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2032	Eco Design	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2034	Integrated Product Development	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2036	Integrated Product Development, Advanced Course	24.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2051	R&D Strategy and Organization	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2073	Research Methodology in Organisation and Management	9.0 hp	Second cycle

Conditionally elective courses

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2006	Innovative Design II <i>Two courses must be chosen during year 1-2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2023	Industrial Design <i>Two courses must be chosen during year 1-2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2046	Product Innovation <i>Two courses must be chosen during year 1-2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MG2020	Modularisation of Products <i>Two courses must be chosen during year 1-2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle

Supplementary information

Two of the conditionally elective courses must be taken during year 1 - 2

MF2006 Innovative Design II, 6hp

MF2023 Industrial Design (not for CDEPR students), 6hp

MF2038 Service Design, 6hp

MG2020 Modularisation of Products, 6hp

MF2046 Product Innovation, 6hp

Year 2

Mandatory courses (54.0 Credits)

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2036	Integrated Product Development, Advanced Course	24.0 hp	Second cycle
MF226X	Degree Project in Integrated Product Development, Second Cycle	30.0 hp	Second cycle

Conditionally elective courses

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2006	Innovative Design II <i>2 courses must be taken during year 1 or year 2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2023	Industrial Design <i>2 courses must be taken during year 1 or year 2 (not for CDEPR)</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2038	Service Design <i>2 courses must be taken during year 1 or year 2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MG2020	Modularisation of Products <i>2 courses must be taken during year 1 or year 2</i>	6.0 hp	Second cycle

Supplementary information

2 of the conditionally elective courses must be taken during year 1 or 2

MF2006 Innovative Design II, 6hp
 MF2023 Industrial Design, 6hp (not for CDEPR students),
 MF2038 Service Design, 6hp
 MG2020 Modularisation of Products, 6hp

Track, Industrial Design Engineering (IPDC)

Year 1

Mandatory courses (51.0 Credits)

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2005	Innovative Design I	12.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2031	Advanced Prototyping	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2032	Eco Design	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2033	Material, Environment and Economy	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2060	Industrial Design Engineering Advanced Course, Part 1	12.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2073	Research Methodology in Organisation and Management	9.0 hp	Second cycle

Year 2

Mandatory courses (48.0 Credits)

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2038	Service Design	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2061	Industrial Design Engineering Advanced Course, Part 2	12.0 hp	Second cycle
MF227X	Degree Project in Industrial Design Engineering, Second Cycle	30.0 hp	Second cycle

Track, Product Innovation (IPDD)

Year 1

Mandatory courses (27.0 Credits)

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2031	Advanced Prototyping	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2046	Product Innovation	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2051	R&D Strategy and Organization	6.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2073	Research Methodology in Organisation and Management	9.0 hp	Second cycle

Supplementary information

CMAST and CDEPR students must choose between the following technical profiles:

Energy Engineering
Production Engineering
Machine Design

CMAST and CDEPR students are not allowed to take BOTH MF2019 and MG2028

Year 2

Mandatory courses (60.0 Credits)

Code	Name	Credits	Edu. level
MF2052	Product Innovation Seminar Course	9.0 hp	Second cycle
MF2078	Innovation, Product and Business Development	21.0 hp	Second cycle
MF228X	Degree Project in Product Innovation Management, Second Cycle	30.0 hp	Second cycle



Appendix 2: Specialisations

Master's Programme, Integrated Product Design (TIPDM)

Track, Concurrent Engineering (IPDB)

No information entered.

Track, Industrial Design Engineering (IPDC)

No information entered.

Track, Product Innovation (IPDD)

No information entered.