



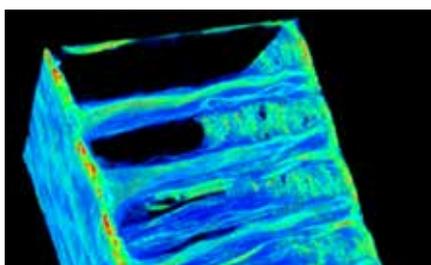
**Master of Science (MSc)**  
**Mechanical Engineering**

**ADVANCED COMPOSITE  
ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE**

**OBJECTIVES**

This MSc programme develops skills for providing innovative and optimized solutions in the design and manufacturing of composite materials for research and in industry.

The performance of fibre-reinforced organic-matrix composites and structures are influenced by the constituting materials and the processing stage. Composite mechanical design can be efficiently and optimally performed when one has a good understanding of manufacturing influences and constraints. Therefore, the courses offered on this programme will provide a theoretical and experimental emphasis on the relationships between constituents, processing and structural design.



**SKILLS**

**Specialism-specific**

- > Simulate and optimize composite mechanical design and manufacturing using numerical tools
- > Model materials' behaviour and physics involved in composite processes
- > Characterize and manufacture composite materials

**General**

- > Identify models, perform simulation and analyse results
- > Communicate comprehensive results in a meaningful way
- > Undertake bibliographic surveys from international research and professional literature
- > Manage or be part of a project

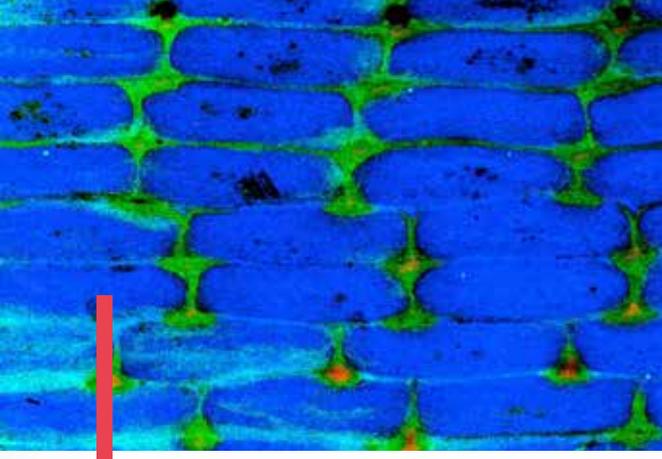
**JOB PROSPECTS & FURTHER PHD STUDIES**

**SECTOR:** Aeronautics, Automotive, Transportation, Wind and Marine Energy, Materials producer, Consulting.

**FIELDS:** Mechanical Engineering, Design, Materials, Advanced Processes, Manufacturing, Research and Innovation.

**JOB POSITIONS:** Mechanical Engineer, Process Engineer, Design Engineer, Research and Innovation Engineer (post PhD), Consultant.





**Location**  
Nantes, France -2 hours from Paris

**International campus life**

**87** nationalities  
**43%** international students



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## EXAMPLES OF FINAL YEAR INTERNSHIP/MASTER'S THESIS

### 5 to 6 month internship in Industry

- > Product design of a composite motorcyclist protection
- > Sol-gel functionalization by nano-particle entrapping: a formulation for transparency
- > Edge sealing and release agent optimization for aeronautic composite processes

### 5 to 6 month thesis in Research Labs

- > Composite design with multi-objective optimisation
- > In-situ compression of carbon-fibre reinforcements in X-Ray tomography
- > Modelling and characterization of thin films piezoelectric materials

## FACULTY, INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS AND RESEARCH LABS

This MSc relies on the Centrale Nantes' faculty, staff and research facilities of the GeM Institute, the LHEEA Laboratory and the LS2N Institute. Centrale Nantes has regular collaboration with companies such as Airbus, Daher, Renault, Faurecia, Solvay, CETIM, Owens Corning, GE Renewable Energy, Multiplast

## OTHER PROGRAMME INFORMATION

- > Length of Studies: 2 years
- > Language of instruction: English
- > 3 semesters of courses and 1 semester of Master's thesis

**Tuition & Fees - Scholarships - Application process - Deadlines**

**MORE INFORMATION AND FULL PROGRAMME:**  
[www.ec-nantes.fr/masters](http://www.ec-nantes.fr/masters)

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## CONTENT AND COURSES

(A Master Degree requires the validation of 120 ECTS credits)

M1 - AUTUMN SEMESTER	ECTS
Continuum Mechanics	5
Fluid Mechanics	5
Algorithmics for Engineering Modelling	4
Numerical Methods	5
Vibrations and Differential Equations	5
Business Environment	4
Modern Languages	2
Conferences	0
M1 - SPRING SEMESTER	ECTS
Engineering Materials	5
Constitutive Laws	5
Structural Mechanics	5
Computer-aided Design	5
Mechanical Design	5
Conferences and Initiation to Research	3
Modern Languages	2
M2 - AUTUMN SEMESTER	ECTS
Composite Constituents and Processes	4
Composite Characterization	4
Composite Processing Modelling (1)	4
Composite Structures	4
Composite Processing Modelling (2)	4
Multi-Physics Modelling for Processes	4
Modern Languages	2
Project	4
Conferences	0
M2 - SPRING SEMESTER	ECTS
Master Thesis or Industrial Internship (paid)*	30

\*In France, for internships exceeding 2 months a minimum legal level of remuneration (approximately €600 per month) is fixed by the government. In some professional branches, this amount may be higher.

NB Course content may be subject to minor changes

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