MASTER OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (MSE)

SMART & RESILIENT CITIES FOR AN INNOVATIVE SOCIETY
Welcome to an immersive experience.

SMART & RESILIENT CITIES MASTERS’ DEGREE
To study at HEI is to know that you will ground your academic credentials in a range of real-life experiences and the professional challenges which reflect market situations.

In the SMART Cities Masters degree, you will focus on tomorrow’s cities from multiple viewpoints, as you will discover in the following pages.

As the range of issues in architecture and planning projects increases, so does the range of professionals involved, which in turn increases the complexity of projects. Future stakeholders of city planning must first experience and practice new collaboration tools before they can successfully integrate the professional world. They need new skills, new ways of working, the ability to take into consideration other perspectives and to step out of their comfort zone.

The SMART Cities Masters’ degree embodies HEI’s desire to prepare students to become open-minded and well-rounded professionals with a realistic and inspired approach to technology and its’ environmental, ethical and societal challenges.

After HEI, not only are all of our students prepared to take on projects and manage teams of experts, but they also benefit from the emphasis we place on the soft skills needed to take on the complex challenges of the workplace.

Our modern and pragmatic study program, combining architecture and engineering, personal development and technical expertise, trains professionals who are able to produce these collaborative results.

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Yncrea and HEI are delighted to be able to offer the international, innovative and inspiring courses of the SMART & Resilient Cities Masters degree with the excellence of French Tech, and hope to welcome you on this programm very soon.

Ana Ruiz-Bowen
Program Director
DISCOVER INTERDISCIPLINARY EXCELLENCE IN ENGINEERING
HEI
HEI was founded in Lille in 1885 by the Industrial Leaders of Northern France. HEI has since extended its activities to the training of multi-disciplinary engineers who share a curiosity for the world and its people, and managers with a future-facing, international mindset.

HEI’s close collaboration with private business and industry enables the applied knowledge and creativity of students to create competitive advantages for themselves and the businesses they work for by fostering innovation and developing competency at all levels.

YNCREA
With 4600 students, 28 000 graduates and 23 research laboratories, Yncrée Hauts-de-France is one of the largest private not-for-profit higher education associations in Europe. HEI, ISA, and ISEN Lille are the well established engineering schools within the association, all recognised for their ability to innovate, the quality of their research, their collective intelligence methods, and their openness and understanding of the world we live in.

“Yncrée provides an answer to numerous priorities of engineering education: interdisciplinary studies, digitalization, agility and speed in project development, research, openness to the world, critical mass…so many fundamental subjects to which Yncrée offers a tailored response, unique in France.”

Gérard Jousset, President of Yncrée

THE CAMPLUS
Yncrée is undergoing a radical and future-proofing transformation which will see many new features appear on the campus of the Catholic University of Lille by 2024. The new campus is set to become a cutting-edge hub of teaching, innovation, research and demonstration, which integrates the landmarks of the historic campus into forward looking redesign.

« Demonstration » is the connection between a functional space and a community of users, whether they are researchers, students, businesses or neighbours. By sharing this space, their ideas will meet and lead to new, better solutions. In these living labs, concepts will be developed, projects refined, products prototyped, tested, incubated… in realistic conditions.

The campus will turn entire buildings into research and experimentation spaces, dedicated to collaborations between students, researchers and partner businesses and include:
- an urban greenhouse
- a smart house
- a factory of the future
- a fab lab
STUDY AT THE HEART OF EUROPE
Lille’s rich industrial past and central situation in Europe (MAP) has put it at the heart of a rich web of transport links and some of today’s most dense post-industrial development challenges.

The Métropole Européenne de Lille leads an ambitious environmental policy which combines energy efficiency and the development of renewable energies. Our region, a leader in the digital domain, wants to become one of the main digital hubs in France by obtaining the French government’s ‘French Tech’ label.

As a Smart City ‘Lab’, the city of Lille already boasts modern and innovative development projects and a booming network of international companies whose success creates a range of complex engineering challenges locally.

Thanks to the unique geographical position of Lille, exploration trips are made possible to inspire and understand the bigger picture, and to gain insights from other parts of Europe.

These projects, both in Lille and beyond, enable students to work on real sites as teams, with other professions and other cultures, during their degree.

**Lille: A City Lab at Scale 1**

Gare Saint-Sauveur: third place and cultural site hosting LILLE 3000.

Euratechnologies: a digital innovation cluster.

Five Cell: workshop with Lille Metropole partners of the renovation program.
DESIGN TOMORROW’S CITIES
LEARN TO LEAD CHANGE

Cities are in a constant transformation process and adapt continuously to new paradigms. We are currently living in the fastest ever-changing context ever recorded, and it is universal. Technological, social and economic upheavals are happening day after day. Several trends are emerging in the context of urban design, from ‘optimistic technological visions’ to ‘ecological resilience’.

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The designers of tomorrow’s cities, the engineers of tomorrow, need to keep their minds open to the world, and to everything which affects the way we live.

This master’s degree prepares students to develop urban areas by integrating energy usage and efficiency, the use of new energies and technologies, and environmental planning into their thinking. The course also enables future professionals to be involved in the conception of complex and multi-disciplinary projects.

That is why the SMART Cities program is so unique: it prepares engineers, architectes and urban planners to think of the world they are designing for, not just what they are designing.

The MSE-Smart Cities, entirely in English, equips international students with the skills and competencies needed to succeed in our changing world.

«Everything is Smart in the Smart Cities: smart economy, smart people, smart government, smart mobility and smart environment… the HEI Smart Cities Master is a smart higher education program that consolidates entrepreneurship spirit and personal enrichment to question our future.»

Catherine Chardon
Managing Director, RATP Dev, London.

Develop analytical and planning skills within the context of an eco-neighbourhood.

Learn how to contribute to an urban project from an environmental point of view.

Understand the holistic approach to resource management.

Deepen your understanding of energy and the stakes involved.

Enrich the applications in buildings.

Integrate production and distribution of renewable energies.
REDEFINE YOUR BOUNDARIES
CREATIVITY AND COLLABORATION ARE YOUR NEW NORMAL
Today a single discipline cannot meet all the emerging technical, social and economic needs of a city. Therefore, smart cities require the combination of multiple skills from a variety of stakeholders, who must learn to cooperate and work together. New collaborative and innovative working methods and spaces are employed in order to confront the reality of smart cities.

TEST YOUR ABILITIES IN CONTEXT
The program includes completion of a full-time team project and professional internships with a company or laboratory in France or abroad.

SUBMIT REAL PROPOSALS FROM YEAR ONE
Studio workshops are proposed on a real site with the associated actors (1 studio/year). The students will propose and design eco-districts and buildings, taking into account environmental issues, integration and context (social, economic, landscape), and architectural quality in a broad sense.

BROADEN YOUR VIEW OF THE WORLD
Students will participate in an intensive international learning trip to discover innovative ecosystems in cities such as Montreal, Barcelona, Nice… From its’ ideal location at the heart of European the Smart Cities Program will integrate exploration trips from Lille to other European cities.

TEACHING & LEARNING METHODOLOGIES

- EXPERIMENTAL APPROACH
- WORKSHOPS
- LEARNING EXPEDITIONS
- FIELD TRIPS
- CONFERENCES
Program Overview

YEAR 1

STEP INTO A NEW LEARNING EXPERIENCE

DELIVER FIRST ASSIGNMENTS

< DECEMBER

Architecture & urbanism field trips
Discover other European cities
Learn about
- sustainable mobility: planning, operating and innovating
- Architecture, construction and sustainable design
Meet companies & start networking.

< NOVEMBER

Get started on your professional project, step into:
- Fundamentals of energy and renewable energies,
- Transport and mobility issues: economy, impacts, policies and uses.

JANUARY

Study technical subject in more detail
- Urban project management
- Ubiquity and the internet of things
- Dynamical thermal simulation and HVAC
- Building management systems and home automation
- BIM.

FEBRUARY

Participate in a learning expedition
& an international seminar:
«Future cities: smart, inclusive and sustainable»

STUDIO 2
2nd major project begins.

YEAR 2

experience the full picture of Smart & resilient cities

< DECEMBER

Learning expedition
discover about other approaches in different contexts and cities.

JANUARY

YES project:

SUSTAINABLE URBANISM
Understand the sociology of urban development, protocols and accords. Urban Planning and land use, urban projects. History of urban development, dynamic and multidisciplinary approach of eco-districts.

BUILDING SCIENCES
Understand bioclimatic architectural design of building envelopes; develop knowledge of smart building and home automation, domotics, and the sustainable habitat. Develop skills to perform building energy audits, diagnostics, climatic engineering, and modelization, energy requirements and building renovation.
INNOVATION IN AN URBAN CONTEXT
Master the tools, concepts, advantages and limits of project management and implementation, collective intelligence, collaborative projects. Project organizational dynamics. Computer assisted decisionmaking. Building Information Modelling.

TOOLS FOR ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT
Innovation management, Team management, Project management, Quality management, Accounting, Marketing, Intercultural communication…

YEAR 1
Laying the ground for Smart & resilient cities

STUDIO 1
1st major project begins

MARCH >

APRIL >

MAI >

JUNE >

Build on your technical knowledge with a cycle of conferences about major urban challenges. Discover philosophy for engineers:
- ethics, meaning, city,
- circular Economy.

INTERNET 3
Start your 3rd major project.

FEBRUARY >

MARCH >

APRIL >

MAY >

JUNE >

a collaborative inter-school work focusing on research and/or companies issues.

Final internship: 4 to 6 months.
AND DEDICATED FACILITIES
MEET OUR EXCEPTIONNALL STAFF

INVITED SPEAKERS COMING FROM EDUCATION AND PRACTICE

Our cross-disciplinary faculty, illustrious guest speakers and different immersive learning methods will stimulate creativity and the necessary problem-solving skills for designing cities in a world perpetually in motion.

Montserrat Pareja Eastaway
Professor of Economics at University of Barcelona,
Didier Larue
Landscape Planner consultant at AtelierLD,
Noel Bramley
Artist and Professor at University of The Arts, London,
Victor Jumez
Environmental engineer and Founder of Symoe,
Francois Laurent Touzain
Engineer, Business Developer and Founder of 360°,
Oliver Page
Architect and International Development director at SCAU,
Grahame Baker
Principal Lecturer at University of Greenwich,
Ouafia Djebai
Architect and Partner of L’Agence Française d’Architecture
Collette Saba
International Developement Consultant,
Syrine Ismaili Bastien
Environmental Law Consultant,
Thomas Batorie
Environmental engineer at Fédération Française du Bâtiment,
Philippe Tostain
Ecomobility Consultant.

Program Director
Prof. Ana Ruiz Bowen
Yncrea Hauts-de-France
Coordinator
Prof. Zheng Tan
Yncrea Hauts-de-France

A DEDICATED STUDIO FOR THE MASTER’S
Within the main HEI building, our Master’s has a dedicated studio which enables learning experiences to be shared and developed collectively.

A CO-DESIGN CENTRE
The co-design centre enables students to experience experimental and user-centric methodologies for innovation management, in the ‘Euratechnologie’ area (Lille’s official innovation and digital excellence cluster).

A FAB-LAB
Yncrea’s 60 m2 Fab-lab (fabrication laboratory) offers (personal) digital fabrication. The facility is at the heart of the campus and offers a range of rapid prototyping tools (3D printer, laser engraver, laser cutting, printed circuit board engraving machines, etc.) and a ‘tech-library’.
SHARE THE POWER OF CONNECTION
DEVELOP YOUR OWN NETWORK

The Smart cities master has an outstanding faculty and regularly provides lectures from best professionals in the field – as well as many opportunities to interact with important companies and be noticed by them.

There’s always a lot of activity going on at the Yncréa Campus and strong relationships are built with the «real» world. During your master you are very likely to encounter a large range of professionals from the following companies: Aérocentre | Atos | Bion | Bonduelle | Bouygues Construction | Bouygues Energies | Capgemini | Castorama | CGI | Colas | CSO Energy | Décathlon | Eiffage Construction | Eiffage Energies | Eurovia | Groupe Fayat | Léon Grosse | Rabot Dutilleul | RTE | Sopra Group | Sylvagreg | Syntec | Technord | Toyota | Vinci Construction | Vinci Energies | and more...

BS NODESSG - INDUSTRIAL CHAIR

At the heart of Catholic University of Lille, is hosted the SBnodesSG (Smart Buildings as nodes of Smart Grids) Industrial Chair. Launched by Yncréa Hauts-de-France and 10 actors from the economic sphere, with MEL support. The vocation of the SBnodesSG chair is to improve user comfort and energy efficiencies by incorporating connected objects and big data in the intelligent management of buildings and energy networks. The project aims to explore the potential for intelligent buildings as Smart Nodes within intelligent energy networks or Smart Grids.

SOME CAREER IDEAS

City Planning Manager for Eco-Districts in local, regional and national government

Project Development Manager in Sustainable Urbanism and Architecture

New needs

Innovation and change Manager

Project Manager in Design: EcoConstruction, Environment, Transportation and mobility

New challenges

STAY IN TOUCH WITH THE ALUMNI NETWORK

The HEI Alumni network is an independent entity dedicated to supporting students both during and after their studies.

HEI Alumni’s purpose is to lead a solidarity network (of nearly 20,000 Alumni!), to help you with your career, to strengthen links between Yncréa and companies, and to give guidance on your professional project.

Some companies where our Alumni work

SINTEO
Sustainable building and CSR engineer

TRACTEBEL - ENGIE GROUP
Business Developmenter & Sales Engineer - Urban

ARP-AASTRANCE
Smart buildings design manager - Co-founder of campus market, a circular economy business

VINCI IMMOBILIER
Deputy Development Manager

EFFAGE ENERGIE SYSTÈMES
Business engineer,

LEGENDRE UK LIMITED
Site manager

SOLENER
Project manager (sustainable building)

LINKCITY Île-de-France
Urban projects manager

CONSTRUCTION 21
Innovation project officer - infrastructure and sustainable cities

BOUYGUES ENERGIES & SERVICES
Smart City project manager

CALQ Architecture
Works supervision assistant

IES LTD
Urban Simulation Assistant
“In this Master’s, the pedagogic approach is completely different from a traditional engineering program because we are able to work on various innovative urban projects.”

Gaëlle Thibault  
SC student - HEI Lille

“Get ready to apply”

Clement Chardon  
SC student - HEI Lille

« I spent 2 amazing years in the Smart Cities Master’s at HEI. It taught me to learn differently: based on projects, we learned by ourselves and with others. We learned about energy, the internet of things, smart grids, the environment, urbanism, architecture, sociology and much more. Come and join us in this incredible master’s, where we learn the future missions of the cities ! »

Sofiane EL KADAOUI  
SC student - HEI Lille

« Our minds are opened to the society and environmental issues in cities thanks to inter-disciplinary classes and practical applications in innovative, life-sized projects »
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
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KEY COURSE INFO
Qualification awarded: Master of Science and Engineering
Duration: 2 years (120 ECTS)
Language of instruction: English
Start date: September 2020
Intake: 30 students
Tuition fees: 11 000€ /year
Professional paid internships with companies in France or abroad : up to 10 months.

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