

# Info session M. Sc. Materials Science and Engineering

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# Agenda

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# Important note for international students

### Tuition Fees for Students from Non-EU Countries

At the Technical University of Munich (TUM), tuition fees are charged for international students from third countries who newly enroll in a degree program starting in the winter semester of 2024/25.



https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees/tuition



# Waiver scholarships, exemptions and waivers for international students

for persons who are required to pay tution fees

### Waiver scholarships

for particularly high-achieving and needy students
(in the amount of the tuition fees, no payment is being made)

### **Exemption from tuition fees**

possible under certain circumstances: for students

- in cooperative study programs
- with an established domestic connection
- during a leave of absence
- with a disability
- in ongoing asylum proceedings with a special protection quota

#### **Waiver of fees**

for financial, personal or social reasons

https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees/tuition/scholarships-and-waivers



# Scholarships

#### TUM:

- Scholarship Deutschlandstipendium
  - For: currently enrolled undergraduates and graduates with university entrance certificates from Germany or abroad
  - (€ 300 per month)
- Scholarship for International Students
  - **For**: currently enrolled undergraduates and graduates with non-German university entrance certificates
  - (one-time financial aid of € 500 to € 1500 per semester)
- Oskar Karl Forster Scholarship for books and learning materials
  - For: currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students who have completed at least two semesters at TUM
  - (Grants for books and learning materials from € 100 to € 500)

### **External:**

- Stipendium Plus
  - Grants for gifted students supported by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research
  - (usually € 300 + up to € 855 depending on income and parents, similar to BAföG)
- mystipendium.de
  - FREE database of private companies with more than 1,200 funding opportunities
- european-funding-guide.eu
  - · Scholarship database within Europe

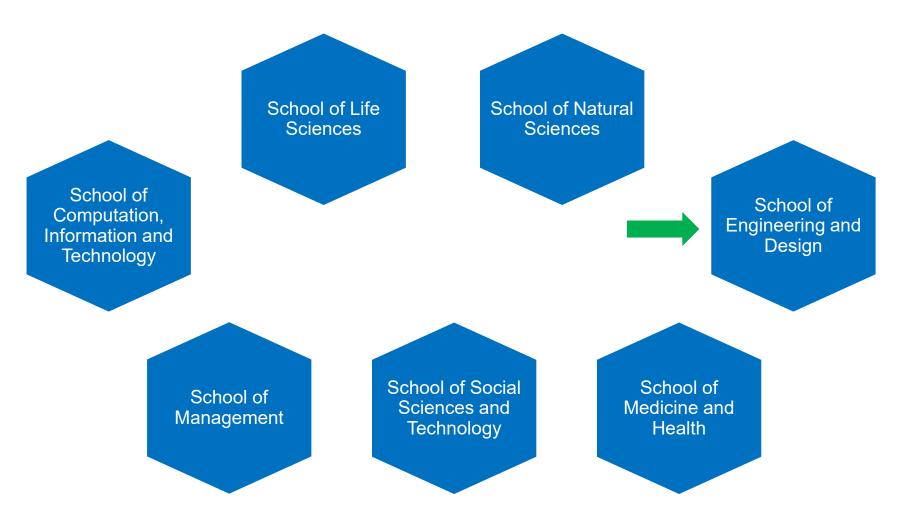
https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships



# The TU Munich & the TUM School of Engineering and Design



# The TU Munich: 7 schools





# The TUM School of Engineering and Design



more than 13,000

B. Sc. and M. Sc. students



more than 40

degree programs



approx. 500

academic support staff members



approx. 4,700 newly enrolled students per year (both B. Sc. and M. Sc. students)



currently **approx**. **133** professors

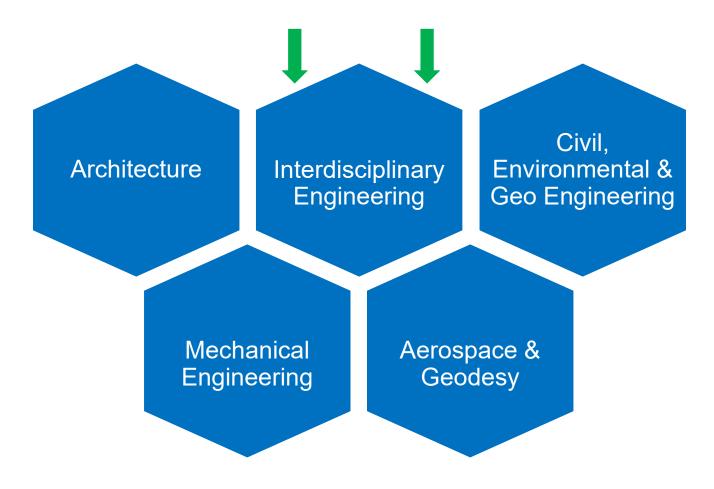


approx. 1,700 academic staff members

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# The TUM School of Engineering and Design





M. Sc. Materials Science and Engineering



## What is the M. Sc. MS&E all about?



- Image: Tobias Hase / TUM
- > intertwining of expertise in the natural and engineering sciences
- the M. Sc. in MS&E is primarily science- and fundamentals-oriented including interdisciplinary training
- ➤ the program will enable you to physically and mathematically model complex technical-physical processes and systems accounting for the materials to be employed



# Key data

## Academic degree

Master of Science (M. Sc.)

#### Main locations

Garching & Garching Hochbrück campus as well as the main campus in Munich

## Language of instruction

English

#### Credits

120 credits

## Standard period of study

4 semesters (full-time)

# M. Sc. Materials Science & Engineering: how to achieve the required 120 credits

MANDATORY 40 CREDITS	Advanced Rheology  Materials Science (MS&E)  Mathematical Modeling of Materials  Nonlinear Continuum Mechanics  Multiscale Modeling  Measurement and Sensor Technology  (MS&E)  Physics of Fluids  Probability Theory and Uncertainty  Quantification	ELECTIVES 38 CREDITS	30 credits: elective modules plus 8 credits: practical courses 4 focus areas: Multiscale Material Principles Uncertainty Quantification & Mathematical Modeling Materials in Engineering Applications Material Characterization, Testing and Surveillance	SCIENTIFIC SKILLS	4 CREDITS	ADVANCED RESEARCH INTERNSHIP	8 CREDITS	THESIS	30 CREDITS
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40 credits + 38 credits + 4 credits + 8 credits + 30 credits = 120 credits



## The MS&E's four focus areas

During your second and third semester you will begin to focus your studies and specialize in one of the following four areas:

Multiscale Material Principles

Uncertainty
Quantification &
Mathematical Modeling

Materials in Engineering Applications Material
Characterization,
Testing & Surveillance



## mandatory/required modules (40 credits):

- cover the core competencies
- 8 modules at 5 credits each

Required Module	es		40
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	1] Materials Sciences (MS&E)		5
	5] Mathematical Modeling of Materials	<u> </u>	5
⊕ [VK] [PH9032	2] Measurement and Sensor Technology (MS&E)		5
⊕ [VK] [MW235	9] Multiscale Modeling	<u> </u>	5
	[8] Nonlinear Continuum Mechanics		5
⊕ [VK] [MW236	[1] Physics of Fluids	1	5
	[0] Probability Theory and Uncertainty Quantification		5



choice of specialization: as explained beforehand, students are supposed to choose one of four possible focus areas and their corresponding electives – please see your mentor to discuss this towards the end of your first semester

## electives I and II (30 credits)

a minimum of 15 credits must be obtained from the electives I of your chosen focus area

## practical courses (8 credits)

a minimum of 4 credits must be obtained from the practical courses of your chosen focus area

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Elective Modules in Study Lines

Selection of Study Line

| VK] [E1_MMP] Multiscale Material Principles (Electives I) | 1
| VK] [E1_MCTS] Material Characterization, Testing & Surveillance (Electives I) | 1
| VK] [E1_MiEA] Materials in Engineering Applications (Electives I) | 1
| VK] [E1_UQaMM] Uncertainty Quantification and Mathematical Modeling (Electives I) | 1
| VK] [E2_IE] Individuell Electives (Electives II) | 1
| Wahlbereich Praktika | 1
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## Advanced Research Internship (8 credits)



# Advanced Research Internship (ARI) in Germany or abroad [SE0208]

- Students will be supported by their mentor when pursuing their ARI. The internship
  can be completed at the TUM, another university or a research institution
  cooperating with the TUM, and it can be completed either in Germany or abroad.
- The ARI should be pursued during the 3rd semester, ideally to prepare for the Master's Thesis.
- The form for ARI registration and evaluation can be found on the page <u>Dokumente</u>
   / Documents M.Sc. MSE
- The description of the module can be found here.
- Partial financing is possible for internships abroad within Europe through the ERASMUS program



Scientific skills (4 credits) - to be chosen from a list of courses offered at the

☐ Scientific Skills 🕖 TU Munich ⊞ ∰ [VK] [ED0141] Logic [VK] [SOT86097] Aligning Generative AI to Social Values (3 ECTS) [VK] [IN2270] BGCE Ferienakademie ■ IVKI [SZ0349] German as a Foreign Language C1 - Communication in Companies e. q. # [VK] [SZ0346] German as a Foreign Language C1.2: Communicating Professionally ■ W [VK] [SZ0429] English - English for Scientific Purposes C1 [UK] [SZ0471] English - Intensive Thesis Writers' Workshop C2 ■ WITH BELLIN BELL FVK] [SZ0453] English - Scientific Presentation and Writing C2 # [VK] [SZ0406] English - Writing Academic Research Papers C2 Fig. [VK] [CLA20710] Global Diversity Training ■ (VK) [POL60900] Information Technologies, Protest, and Conflict (▼) [VK] [MCTS0053] Intercultural Communication FIVE [SOT86084] Introduction to Business Law ? [VK] [CLA11313] Conflict Management and Conducting Discussions ■ FVK] [SOT86066] Machine Learning and Society (3 ECTS) 
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■ FVK] [SOT86066] Machine Learning and Society ■ ₩ [VK] [MW1535] Introduction to Patent, Trademark and Design Law for Engineers FVK] [CLA21114] Perspectives of Technology Assessment ■ WITTER SCIENCE

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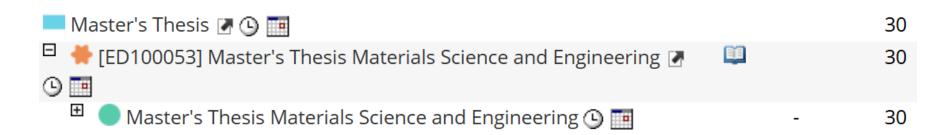
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## Master Thesis (30 credits)

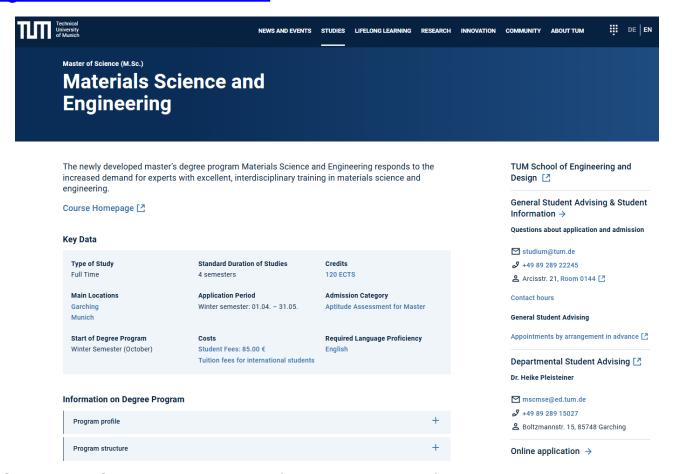




## Where to find what

The pages provided by the TU Munich:

https://www.tum.de/en/studies/degree-programs/detail/materials-science-and-engineering-master-of-science-msc





## Where to find what

Civil Engineering M. Sc.

The ED's (School of Engineering and Design's) website:

https://www.ed.tum.de/en/ed/studies/degree-programs/materials-science-and-engineering-m-sc/

TUM School of Engineering and Design Technical University of Munich Home Home > Studies > Degree Programs > Materials Science and Engineering M. Sc. **Studies** Contact **Before Studying** Student Advising Dr. Heike Pleisteiner **Studies** mscmse(at)ed.tum.de **Degree Programs** International Affairs Delegate Dr. Markus Eblenkamp Aerospace B. Sc. international.ie(at)ed.tum.de Aerospace M. Sc. Phone numbers and office hours: see Wiki [2] Aerospace Engineering M. Sc. (GIST/TUM-Asia Singapur) Architecture B. A. Architecture M. A. Automotive Engineering M. Sc. Image: Tobias Hase / TUM Civil Engineering B. Sc.

Materials Science and Engineering M. Sc.



## Where to find what

#### Our wiki:

https://wiki.tum.de/display/edschooloffice/M.Sc.+Materials+Science+and+Engineering



Seiten / ... / Master

#### M.Sc. Materials Science and Engineering

Create snapshot

Herzlich Willkommen im Wiki des Masterstudiengangs *M. Sc. Materials Science and Engineering (MS&E)*!
Hier finden Sie Informationen zu folgenden Themen:

Welcome to the wiki of the master degree program *M. Sc. Materials Science and Engineering (MS&E)*.

Here you will find information on the following topics:

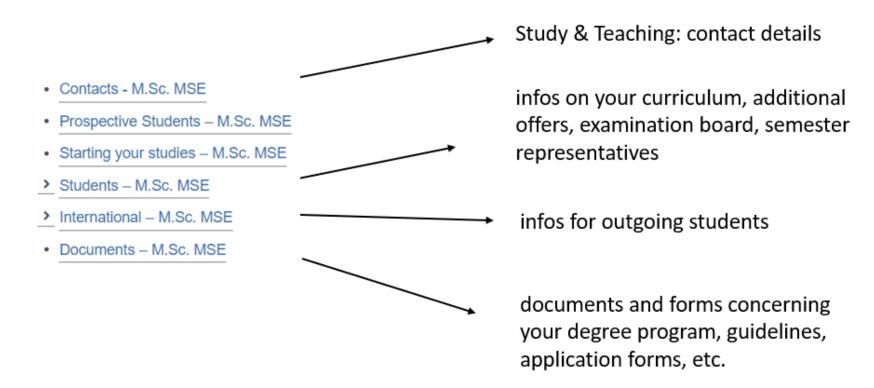
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# Our wiki as your first point of contact

#### Our wiki:

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# Your application: key facts

Start of the degree program

intake only once a year, i. e. for the winter semester (in October each year)

Application period for the winter semester

1 April through to 31 May each year

Admission category

aptitude assessment for the TU's master degree programs

Required language proficiency

**English** 



# Your application: key facts

Minimum requirements to apply for a master degree program at the TU Munich a recognized undergraduate degree (e. g. a bachelor's degree) + successfully completing the aptitude assessment procedure

## How do I apply?

you apply through the TUMonline application portal (which is only open during the application period)

## Which prerequisites do I have to fulfill?

a bachelor's degree of at least six semesters, obtained at a German or foreign university (or an equivalent qualification)

## Which subjects regarding my undergraduate degree are suitable?

Engineering Science, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Physics, Materials Science etc.



# Your application: which documents you need to submit during the online application procedure

Degree certificate and diploma or subject and grade transcript of studies to date other degrees such as a master's degree or diploma can also qualify you for our master degree program

## Transcript of records (ToR)

the TOR is listing all your successfully accomplished modules and corresponding grades

## Proof of English language proficiency

for more detailed information on which forms of verification of language skills are required please refer to <a href="https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/admission-requirements/language-certificates">https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/admission-requirements/language-certificates</a>

## Abstract (of your bachelor's thesis) in English



# Your application: which documents you need to submit during the online application procedure

Curricular analysis listing your best 120 credits content and results of prior examinations and modules accomplished

## Letter of Motivation (in English)

describing both your academic and personal motivation for your choice of degree program

## Complete and current CV/résumé

Copy of your passport (or, for German nationals, your German identification card (*Personalausweis*))

Please note that you may omit (black out) the issuing authority, serial number, and identification number.



# Your application: which documents you need to submit during the online application procedure

Preliminary review documentation (so-called *VPD*) from uni-assist is required for a <u>Master's entrance qualification</u> (e. g. Bachelor's degree) that was <u>not obtained in Germany</u>

Special requirements may apply depending on your educational background We may require additional documents if you obtained your bachelor's degree in certain countries. Please refer to <a href="https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/special-conditions-for-certain-countries">https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/special-conditions-for-certain-countries</a> for more details.



# How are applicants selected for admission?

### The aptitude assessment test: a two-part procedure

Once you have officially submitted your application including all the required documents the department and professors will check whether your application meets the specific requirements to be admitted to the *M. Sc. in Materials Science and Engineering*.

### Part one

In the initial stages, your grades and submitted documents will be evaluated according to a certain point system.

Applicants with excellent or good results will be admitted directly.

Applicants with bad results will be rejected at stage one.

Candidates with unclear results will be invited for an interview.



# How are applicants selected for admission?

#### Part two

In part two of the aptitude assessment procedure you will be invited to a 20-minutes admission interview. Whether you will be admitted in the end depends on both your grades from your bachelor's degree as well as the outcome of the interview.

#### When are the interviews held?

The interviews will be held during the summer (July/August). Please note that the master degree program *M. Sc. Materials Science and Engineering* only has an intake for the winter semester.



# Regarding your motivation

- You are looking for an interdisciplinary degree program focusing on the natural sciences, in particular maths, physics and chemistry
- You are particulary interested in maths and a lot of theory
- You are looking for a degree program studying in a small and highly international group of students



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# We will look forward to receiving your application. Thank you for your attention.



# Additional info following the Q&A session

Regarding the GRE or GATE test, please refer to §36 of the academic and examination regulations:

#### § 36 Eligibility Requirements

- (1) Eligibility for the Master's Program in Materials Science and Engineering is demonstrated by:
  - a qualified bachelor's degree obtained after a program of at least six semesters from a domestic or foreign institution of higher education, or at least an equivalent degree in engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, informatics, civil/environmental engineering, chemical engineering or a comparable degree program.
  - 2. proof of expertise in the form of a "Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test" or a "Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering" (GATE) for applicants who have completed a bachelor's degree in the following countries: Bangladesh, China, India, Iran, Pakistan; for other applicants who completed a bachelor's degree in a state that has not signed the Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region from 11 April 1997 (Lisbon Recognition Convention), we recommend submitting the test as it will be requested later if there are significant differences in terms of the competencies gained in the bachelor's degree in accordance with Section 2; this proof is not necessary for degrees that were completed in signatory states of the Lisbon Recognition



# Additional info following the Q&A session

- ➤ Regarding the proof of English language proficiency, please refer to <a href="https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/admission-requirements/language-certificates">https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/application-info-portal/admission-requirements/language-certificates</a> as well as §36(1) 3. of the academic and examination regulations:
  - 3. adequate knowledge of the English language; students whose language of instruction is not English must demonstrate proficiency through an acknowledged language test such as the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (with a minimum of 88 points), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (with a minimum of 6.5 points), or the Cambridge Main Suite of English Examinations; if, in the undergraduate program, at least 8 credits were obtained for examinations administered in English-language examination modules, adequate proficiency in English is also deemed proven, alternatively the proof of a bachelor's thesis written in English or a comparable pass/fail credit requirement amounting to 8 credits can be provided.



# Additional info following the Q&A session

➤ Regarding the points awarded for your grade please refer to appendix 2, 5.1.1b) of the academic and examination regulations:

### b) Grade

<sup>1</sup>Three points are awarded for every tenth of a grade higher than 2.5 of the average calculated with examination requirements for the modules that are taken into account for the subject-specific qualification according to 5.1.1 a). <sup>2</sup>The maximum number of points is 45. 3Negative points will not be awarded. 4If modules amounting to more than 120 are taken into consideration for the discipline-specific specific skills and qualifications according to 5.1.1 a), only the best modules amounting to 120 credits will be used to calculate the grade; if there were modules amounting to less than 120 credits for the discipline-specific specific skills and qualifications according to 5.1.1 a), the grade will be calculated using the lower credit number. 5If no modules to be taken into consideration in accordance with 5.1.1 a), no points will be awarded for the grade. 6Grades of international degrees will be converted by applying the Bavarian formula. <sup>7</sup>The applicant needs to submit a list of the required modules together with the application and confirm its accuracy in writing. 8The grade weights of the individual modules correspond to the credits assigned to each module. 9If the candidate submits this list, the average is calculated according sentences 1 to 6. 10 If the candidate has submitted a degree certificate containing more than 120 credits with the application, the assessment will be made on the basis of the best graded modules in the amount of 120 credits that are to be taken into consideration in accordance with 5.1.1 a).