

Master of science in Biomedical Engineering Focus Professional

them insight into the use and impact of ionising radiation (radiotherapy, scanners etc.) on living tissue.

MA-IRCB | M-IRCBS | 2024-2025

The programme is based on the standard three-year format: the third year of the Bachelor programme, followed by two years of a Master programme. Courses are given on the three following main subjects: biomechanics, biomedical instruments, and biomedical imaging. The 3rd year of the Bachelor programme provides basic knowledge in biomedicine and engineering. Then, the 1st year of the Master programme covers the basic material for all three main subjects, while the 2nd year has students choose a series of courses that align more closely with their interests in one of these subjects. Students may also choose to specialise in courses required to become an expert in medical radiophysics; this speciality will give

Bachelor - Year 3

In addition to a common core of courses, 30 credits are specific to biomedical engineering: these specialised courses provide basic knowledge in biomedicine (biology, physiology, biochemistry, anatomy) and engineering (instruments, computing, and automation), later developed in the Master programme.

Master - Year 1

Courses are centred around a 'biomedicine' module (25 credits) and an 'engineering' module (30 credits), which cover the basics of the programme's three core subjects (biomechanics, instruments, imaging) in order to help students choose a specialisation in year 2 based on their personal interests.

The programme is completed by a specific project related to biomedical engineering (5 credits), which can take the form of a biomedical imaging project or a biomechanics project. Alternatively, selected students may complete one of two other types of projects: a biomedical project on development cooperation (see www.ulb.ac.be/facs/polytech/cooperation-Mission.html to learn more about these projects), and a 'team leader' project, where they will supervise a group of 1st-year Bachelor students for their own final project.

Master - Year 2

For the final year, the programme includes a dissertation, which counts for 20 credits, and three series of classes (modules), each of which is specialised in one of the three main subjects (biomechanics, instrumentation, imaging). By choosing at least 20 credits' worth of courses in two of the three modules, students can align their studies with their interests. Another possibility is to specialise in medical radiophysics, in order to prepare for additional training as an expert in this medical radiophysics.

Students may also complete a work placement (10 credits) in a company or a hospital, in Belgium or abroad, with an additional module and a free module, totalling at least 60 credits. In addition, students take part in 3 events (5 credits): the Biomedical Days (three days of talks hosted by a panel of speakers from the industrial sector, organised jointly with UCL and ULg), the National Day on Biomedical Engineering—including a biomedical job fair—, and the European Course on Laparoscopic Surgery.

Some courses are given in English (the actual number of hours depends on each student's choice of electives).

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ENGINEERING SCIENCE

ELEC-H310	Digital electronics Dragomir MILOJEVIC (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h]
ELEC-H402	Analog electronics François QUITIN (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 36h]
ELEC-H424	Active medical devices Antoine NONCLERCQ (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h]
NFO-H500	Image acquisition and processing Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h]
MEDI-H503	Orthopaedic biomechanics Bernardo INNOCENTI (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 48h, tutorial classes: 12h]
STAT-H400	Multivariate data analysis Mehrdad TERATANI (Coordinator) © 5 credits [lecture: 24h. tutorial classes: 24h]

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE

BIME-H406 Molecular biology and microbiology | Anne OP DE BEECK (Coordinator), Yvan DE LAUNOIT and Rachel DEPLUS



BIME-H407	Introduction to medical imaging and optical microscopy Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) and Simon-Pierre GORZA ① 5 credits [lecture: 48h, tutorial classes: 12h]
BIME-H408	Histology and neurophysiology Karelle LEROY (Coordinator), David GALL and Serge SCHIFFMANN © 5 credits [lecture: 60h, practical work: 12h] first term English
BIME-H409	Human Physiology Nicolas BAEYENS (Coordinator) and Gaël DEBOECK © 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 12h] second term English
INFO-H400	Medical Information Systems DAVID WIKLER (Coordinator) ② 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h, practical work: 12h]

ENGINEERING PROJECT

1 project to chose out of these 4

Project to choose

One course chosen from the following	
MECA-H409 (optional)	Design methodology Alain DELCHAMBRE (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h, personal assignments: 12h]
PROJ-H417 (optional)	Projet coopération au développement / Development cooperation project Antoine NONCLERCQ (Coordinator) © 5 credits [project: 150h]
PROJ-H418 (optional)	Hands-on learning: project manager (chef de projet) Peter BERKE (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [project: 150h]
PROJ-H419 (optional)	Biomedical engineering project in image analysis Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [project: 150h]





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MEMO-H500	Master thesis in biomedical engineering Bernardo INNOCENTI (Coordinator)
	② 20 credits [personal assignments: 600h] 🛗 academic year 🔎 English
PROJ-H500	Biomedical research and industry seminars Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator)
	② 5 credits [lecture: 60h]

An alternative chosen from the five following

Option Biomechanics and instrumentation

Choose a minimum of 20 credits from the modules 594 and 595

(with a min of 5 ECTS for a module) A total of 20 credits chosen from the following Module 594 - Biomechanics MECA-H501 Soft microrobotics | Pierre LAMBERT (Coordinator) 🕘 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, personal assignments: 24h] 🛗 academic year 🔘 English MEDI-H504 Design of Orthopaedic Medical Devices: biomechanics, design and regulation | Bernardo INNOCENTI (Coordinator) MEDI-H508 Fluid mechanics of the cardiovascular and pulmonary systems. From physiology to applications | Benoît HAUT (Coordinator) 🕚 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h] 🛮 📋 first term 💢 English Module 595 - Instrumentation ELEC-H409 Digital architectures and design | Dragomir MILOJEVIC (Coordinator) ELEC-H410 Real-time computer systems | François QUITIN (Coordinator) ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 36h] 🛗 second term 🔎 English ELEC-H503 Artificial organs | Antoine NONCLERCQ (Coordinator) MATH-H509 Biomedical robotics | Emanuele GARONE (Coordinator) and Bernardo INNOCENTI ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h] 🗂 second term 🔘 English MEDI-H507 Lab on a chip for biomedical applications | Benoît SCHEID (Coordinator) and Gert DESMET 🕚 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h] 🛮 📋 second term 💢 English

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Option Biomechanics and biomedical image analysis and informatics

Choose a minimum of 20 credits from the modules 594 and 596

(with a min of 5 credits for module) A total of 20 credits chosen from the following Module 594 - Biomechanics MECA-H501 Soft microrobotics | Pierre LAMBERT (Coordinator) 🕙 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, personal assignments: 24h] 🛗 academic year 🔘 English MEDI-H504 Design of Orthopaedic Medical Devices: biomechanics, design and regulation | Bernardo INNOCENTI (Coordinator) MEDI-H508 Fluid mechanics of the cardiovascular and pulmonary systems. From physiology to applications | Benoît HAUT (Coordinator) ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h] 🛗 first term 🔘 English Module 596 - Biomedical image analysis and informatics BINF-F401 Computational Methods for Functional Genomics | Vincent DETOURS (Coordinator) Pattern recognition and image analysis | Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) and Christine DECAESTECKER INFO-H501 ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h] 🛗 second term 🔎 English INFO-H502 Virtual Reality | Gauthier LAFRUIT (Coordinator) INFO-H503 GPU computing | Gauthier LAFRUIT (Coordinator) and Jan LEMEIRE ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, project: 24h] 🛗 second term 🔘 English INFO-H516 Visual Media Compression | Mehrdad TERATANI (Coordinator) and Gauthier LAFRUIT 🕘 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, personal assignments: 12h] 🛗 second term 🔑 English MFDI-H401 Radioprotection médicale, y compris les techniques de radiologie | Marc LEMORT (Coordinator) 2 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 12h] = second term > French

Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Biomedical Nanotechnology | Gilles BRUYLANTS (Coordinator) and Thierry METENS

Option Instrumentation and biomedical image analysis and informatics

Choose a minimum of 20 credits from the modules 595 and 596

(with a minimum of 5 credits for module)

MEDI-H506

A total of 20 credits chosen from the following

Module 595 - Instrumentation

ELEC-H410 Real-time computer systems | François OLIITIN (Coordinate



ELEC-H503 (optional)	Artificial organs Antoine NONCLERCQ (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 36h] second term Second term
MATH-H509 (optional)	Biomedical robotics Emanuele GARONE (Coordinator) and Bernardo INNOCENTI ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h]
MEDI-H507 (optional)	Lab on a chip for biomedical applications Benoît SCHEID (Coordinator) and Gert DESMET ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h]
1	Module 596 - Biomedical image analysis and informatics
BINF-F401 (optional)	Computational Methods for Functional Genomics Vincent DETOURS (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h]
INFO-H501 (optional)	Pattern recognition and image analysis Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) and Christine DECAESTECKER ① 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h]
INFO-H502 (optional)	Virtual Reality Gauthier LAFRUIT (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h]
INFO-H503 (optional)	GPU computing Gauthier LAFRUIT (Coordinator) and Jan LEMEIRE ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, project: 24h]
INFO-H516 (optional)	Visual Media Compression Mehrdad TERATANI (Coordinator) and Gauthier LAFRUIT ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, personal assignments: 12h]
MEDI-H401 (optional)	Radioprotection médicale, y compris les techniques de radiologie Marc LEMORT (Coordinator) ② 2 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 12h]
MEDI-H506 (optional)	Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Biomedical Nanotechnology Gilles BRUYLANTS (Coordinator) and Thierry METENS • 5 credits [lecture: 48h, practical work: 12h] • second term • English

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Option Biomedical image analysis and informatics

Choisir un minimum de 20 crédits dans le module 596

Module 596 - Biomedical image analysis and informatics

A total of 20 credits chosen from the following

BINF-F401 (optional)	Computational Methods for Functional Genomics Vincent DETOURS (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h]
INFO-H501 (optional)	Pattern recognition and image analysis Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) and Christine DECAESTECKER ① 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h]
INFO-H502 (optional)	Virtual Reality Gauthier LAFRUIT (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h]
INFO-H503 (optional)	GPU computing Gauthier LAFRUIT (Coordinator) and Jan LEMEIRE ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h, project: 24h]
MEDI-H506 (optional)	Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Biomedical Nanotechnology Gilles BRUYLANTS (Coordinator) and Thierry METENS © 5 credits [lecture: 48h, practical work: 12h]

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Option Medical radiophysics

Choose a minimum of 25 credits

A total of 25 credits chosen from the following	
INFO-H501 (optional)	Pattern recognition and image analysis Olivier DEBEIR (Coordinator) and Christine DECAESTECKER © 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h] second term English
MEDI-H401 (optional)	Radioprotection médicale, y compris les techniques de radiologie Marc LEMORT (Coordinator) ② 2 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 12h]
MEDI-H502 (optional)	Eléments de physique et chimie nucléaire Nicolas PAULY (Coordinator) © 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 24h] first term French
PHYS-H407 (optional)	Nuclear measurement techniques Nicolas PAULY (Coordinator) © 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 36h] second term English
PHYS-H409 (optional)	Physical principles of magnetic resonance imaging Thierry METENS (Coordinator) 3 credits [lecture: 22h, tutorial classes: 2h, practical work: 6h]
PHYS-H501 (optional)	Introduction to medical physics Nicolas PAULY (Coordinator) and Stéphane SIMON 3 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 12h] first term English
PHYS-H516 (optional)	Physical aspects of radiation protection Stéphane SIMON (Coordinator) and Nicolas PAULY 3 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 12h] first term French
PHYS-H518 (optional)	Radiobiology, biological and genetic effects of radiations Nicolas PAULY (Coordinator) and Sébastien Penninckx 1 credit [lecture: 12h]
PHYS-H519 (optional)	Legal and regulatory aspects of radiation protection Thibault Vanaudenhove (Coordinator) 1 credit [lecture: 12h]
PHYS-H520 (optional)	Effets médicaux de l'exposition aux rayonnements ionisants Nicolas PAULY (Coordinator) and Dirk VAN GESTEL 1 credit [lecture: 12h]
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Electives courses

Choose a module

Electives courses for Option Biomechanics and instrumentation or Option Biomechanics and biomedical image analysis and informatics or Option Instrumentation and biomedical image analysis and informatics or Option Biomedical image analysis and informatics

Choose 2 to 15 credits (max 5 credits in EPB, Faculté de Médecine, Faculté des sciences de la motricité, Modules transversaux)

2 to 15 credits chosen from the following	
BIME-G5505 (optional)	Interfaculty and interdisciplinary program in Healthcare Innovation Hilde STEVENS (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 40h, tutorial classes: 20h]
BIME-Y500 (optional)	Regulatory affairs for medical devices ① 5 credits [lecture: 48h, project: 12h]
BIME-Y501 (optional)	Clinical evaluation of medical devices 3 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, project: 24h] first term English



BING-H5000 (optional)	Introduction à la bioinformatique et à ses applications Dimitri GILIS (Coordinator) and Fabrizio PUCCI • 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h] • first term French
CHIM-F4001 (optional)	Rational drug design and PKPD modeling Jean-Christophe LELOUP (Coordinator) and Martine PREVOST 1 5 credits [lecture: 36h, tutorial classes: 12h, project: 24h] second term Secon
ELEC-H417 (optional)	Communication networks: protocols and architectures Jean-Michel DRICOT (Coordinator) 3 5 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h] first term English
ELEC-H516 (optional)	Industrial Automation Dragomir MILOJEVIC (Coordinator) 3 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 24h] first term English
ENVI-L4110 (optional)	Compartiments environnementaux, production, consommation et leurs impacts sur la santé Olivier VANDENBERG (Coordinator) and Valérie ROORYCK 3 5 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 48h]
GEST-S423 (optional)	IP Management and Technology Transfer (Chaire Solvay) Bruno VAN POTTELSBERGHE (Coordinator) and Frédéric DE CONINCK ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h] second term English
INFO-H509 (optional)	Geo-Spatial and web technologies Mahmoud SAKR (Coordinator) 3 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 12h]
INFO-H515 (optional)	Big Data: Distributed Data Management and Scalable Analytics Dimitrios SACHARIDIS (Coordinator) and Gianluca BONTEMPI ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, project: 24h]
MATH-H503 (optional)	Model-Based and Data-Driven Fault Detection and Isolation Michel KINNAERT (Coordinator) 4 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 24h]
MECA-H409 (optional)	Design methodology Alain DELCHAMBRE (Coordinator) 3 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h, personal assignments: 12h]
MECA-H411 (optional)	Mechanical Vibrations Arnaud DERAEMAEKER (Coordinator) and Wout Weijtjens ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 36h, tutorial classes: 24h]
STAG-H500 (optional)	Internship (3 months) Frédéric ROBERT (Coordinator) 10 credits [work placement: 300h] first term French

Elective courses for Option Medical Radiophysics

A total of ten credits chosen from the following BIME-G5505 Interfaculty and interdisciplinary program in Healthcare Innovation | Hilde STEVENS (Coordinator) ENVI-L4110 Compartiments environnementaux, production, consommation et leurs impacts sur la santé | Olivier VANDENBERG (Coordinator) and Valérie ROORYCK GEST-S423 IP Management and Technology Transfer (Chaire Solvay) Bruno VAN POTTELSBERGHE (Coordinator) and Frédéric DE CONINCK MATH-F502 Imagerie et problèmes inverses | Ignace LORIS (Coordinator) ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h] 🛗 second term 🔎 French MATH-H507 Monte Carlo Methods | Pierre-Etienne LABEAU (Coordinator) 2 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 12h] 🛗 first term 🔎 English STAG-H500 Internship (3 months) | Frédéric ROBERT (Coordinator)



Free elective courses

Students have also the opportunity to choose courses among the courses of the 'transversal modules' of the School.

English: LANG-H500

Engineering and society: PROJ-H421 - GEST-H509 - BIME-G5505 - PHYS-F517

Sustainability: GEST-S492 - ENVI-F405 - CHIM-H504 - ENVI-F452 - ENVI-F454 - ELEC-Y514

Finance, accounting, management, marketing, logistics and quality: GEST-S101 - GEST-S318 - GEST-S421 - GEST-Y501 GEST-H501 - GEST-

H502

Participation to a summer school: EDUC-H601

Free elective courses

Up to six credits chosen from the following	
BIME-G5505 (optional)	Interfaculty and interdisciplinary program in Healthcare Innovation Hilde STEVENS (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 40h, tutorial classes: 20h]
CHIM-H504 (optional)	Engineering aspects of circular economy Prakash VENKATESAN (Coordinator) © 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 36h]
DROI-C5174 (optional)	Approche interdisciplinaire du droit de la propriété intellectuelle/Interdisciplinary Approach to In Julien CABAY (Coordinator) © 5 credits [lecture: 24h] first term English/French
EDUC-H601 (optional)	Summer School Johan GYSELINCK (Coordinator) © 5 credits [personal assignments: 5h] academic year English
ELEC-Y514 (optional)	Sustainability: an interdisciplinary Approach Cathy MACHARIS (Coordinator) and Waldo Galle © 6 credits [lecture: 36h, practical work: 24h, personal assignments: 100h]
ENVI-F405 (optional)	Climat: sciences et politiques Frank PATTYN (Coordinator) and Louise Knops O 5 credits [lecture: 40h]
ENVI-F452 (optional)	Environmental impact analysis and management Wouter ACHTEN (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 12h, project: 24h]
ENVI-F454 (optional)	Energie: Société et environnement Michel HUART (Coordinator) and Nadine MATTIELLI © 5 credits [lecture: 30h, practical work: 12h, project: 24h] first term French
GEST-H501 (optional)	Logistics Engineering and Management Alassane Ballé NDIAYE (Coordinator) ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 36h]
GEST-H502 (optional)	Supply Chain Performance Analytics Alassane Ballé NDIAYE (Coordinator) © 5 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 36h, personal assignments: 12h]
GEST-H509 (optional)	Ethique de l'ingénieur ① 3 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 12h, practical work: 12h]
GEST-S101 (optional)	Comptabilité financière Laurent GHEERAERT (Coordinator) and Gilles GEVERS ① 5 credits [lecture: 36h, tutorial classes: 8h]
GEST-S318 (optional)	Introduction to theoretical finance Laurent GHEERAERT (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]
GEST-S421 (optional)	Entrepreneurial ecosystems Judith BEHRENS (Coordinator) ① 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]
GEST-S492 (optional)	Energy policy, sustainability & management Adel EL Gammal (Coordinator), Julien BLONDEAU and Michel HUART • 5 credits [lecture: 36h, seminars: 24h] • first term • English
GEST-Y501 (optional)	Business Management and Entrepreneurship Marc GOLDCHSTEIN (Coordinator) 3 credits [lecture: 33h] first term sensitive English
LANG-H500 (optional)	English for professional purposes Alexander CORNFORD (Coordinator)



PROJ-H421 (optional) Projet polydaire: expériences didactiques innovantes pour le secondaire | Simon-Pierre GORZA (Coordinator)

② 5 credits [project: 150h] 🛗 academic year 🔎 French