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Master's degree in Structural and Construction Engineering

BARCELONA SCHOOL OF CIVIL ENGINEERING (ETSECCPB)

This master's degree provides a solid education in the field of **structural and construction engineering** ([master's degree website](#)). Students learn about topics such as the resistance mechanisms of structures; construction materials and processes; materials-related durability and technology; construction processes and organisational methods; effective management of construction projects; the environmental and socioeconomic impact of construction work; safety; quality; and sustainability.

GENERAL DETAILS

Duration and start date

1,5 academic years, 90 ECTS credits. Starting September and February

Timetable and delivery

Mornings and afternoons. Face-to-face

Fees and grants

Approximate fees for the master's degree, **excluding other costs** (does not include non-teaching academic fees and issuing of the degree certificate):

€1,743 (€4,050 for non-EU residents).

[More information about fees and payment options](#)

[More information about grants and loans](#)

Language of instruction

Check the language of instruction for each subject in the course guide in the curriculum.

Information on [language use in the classroom and students' language rights](#).

Location

[School of Civil Engineering of Barcelona](#)

Official degree

[Recorded in the Ministry of Education's degree register](#)

ADMISSION

General requirements

[Academic requirements for admission to master's degrees](#)

Specific requirements

For guaranteed access to this master's degree, applicants must have prior academic training in basic sciences (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Drawing) and in subjects directly related to civil engineering, structural engineering and the construction of public works or buildings. These subject areas include, to a greater or lesser extent: Mechanics, Materials Resistance, Structural Calculation, Reinforced Concrete, Metal Structures, Construction Materials, Construction Procedures and Machinery.

Admission criteria

- Accredited academic degree or course of study in the field of Structural and Construction Engineering: university and date of completion
- Other studies or courses followed
- Curriculum vitae
- Academic and/or professional experience
- Personal interview, where applicable

Places

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Pre-enrolment

Pre-enrolment for this master's degree is currently **closed**. Use the "Request information" form to ask for information on **upcoming pre-enrolment periods**.

[How to pre-enrol](#)

Enrolment

[How to enrol](#)

Legalisation of foreign documents

All documents issued in non-EU countries must be [legalised and bear the corresponding apostille](#).

CURRICULUM

| Subjects | ECTS credits | Type |
|--|--------------|------------|
| FIRST SEMESTER | | |
| Construction Methods and Project Management | 5 | Compulsory |
| Fundamentals of Structural Design | 6 | Compulsory |
| Workshops and Research Seminars | 5.5 | Compulsory |
| Advanced Construction Techniques | 5 | Optional |
| Advanced Design of Concrete Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Analysis and Design of Steel Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Composite Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Construction Economics and Finance | 5 | Optional |
| Continuum Mechanics | 5 | Optional |
| Foundation Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Inspection, Analysis and Restoration of Historical Constructions | 5 | Optional |
| Management Skills | 5 | Optional |
| Mixed and Composite Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Numerical Methods for Partial Differential Equations | 5 | Optional |
| Structural Analysis | 7.5 | Optional |
| Structural Dynamics | 5 | Optional |
| Structural Management | 5 | Optional |
| Use of Construction Waste | 5 | Optional |

SECOND SEMESTER

| Subjects | ECTS credits | Type |
|--|--------------|------------|
| Structural Engineering | 6 | Compulsory |
| Advanced Course on Bridges | 5 | Optional |
| Advanced Materials in Construction | 5 | Optional |
| Advanced Structural Analysis | 5 | Optional |
| Bridges | 5 | Optional |
| Building Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Computational Methods for Advanced Assessment of Concrete Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Construction Seminars with BIM | 2.5 | Optional |
| Durability of Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Environmental Management | 5 | Optional |
| Experimental Characterisation Techniques for Structures and Structural Materials | 5 | Optional |
| Fem-Based Advanced Analysis of Steel Structures and Practical Case Studies | 5 | Optional |
| Functional Analysis in Continuum Mechanics | 5 | Optional |
| Health and Safety in Construction | 5 | Optional |
| Nanotechnology in Construction | 5 | Optional |
| Non-Linear Analysis and Behaviour of Concrete Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Non-Linear Analysis of Steel Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Numerical Models in Civil and Structural Engineering | 5 | Optional |
| Performance-Based Seismic Design and Assessment of Structures | 5 | Optional |
| Quality Management | 5 | Optional |
| Safety Management in Construction | 5 | Optional |
| Structural Analysis Seminars | 2.5 | Optional |
| Structural Optimisation | 5 | Optional |
| Structural Technology Seminars | 2.5 | Optional |
| THIRD SEMESTER | | |
| Master's Thesis | 30 | Project |
| PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES | | |

Professional opportunities

Graduates of this master's degree course have various professional options within the framework of structural analysis, the design and technology of structures and construction engineering, mainly in the sphere of civil and buildings engineering.

They will also be able to work in project and process development engineering; project and works management companies; direction of works; construction companies; companies involved in the management and exploitation of infrastructures; government agencies and public companies with activities related to the planning, design, execution and exploitation of civil and building works; technological research centres; and universities.

Competencies

Generic competencies

Generic competencies are the skills that graduates acquire regardless of the specific course or field of study. The generic competencies established by the UPC are capacity for innovation and entrepreneurship, sustainability and social commitment, knowledge of a foreign language (preferably English), teamwork and proper use of information resources.

Specific skills

On completing this master's degree, students will be able to:

- Conceive and design structures for buildings and public works that are durable, functional and aesthetically pleasing.
- Calculate and construct the structures outlined above, using classical materials (reinforced and prestressed concrete, structural steel, masonry, wood) and new materials (compounds, fibreglass, carbon fibre, stainless steel, aluminium, glass).
- Evaluate, repair or reinforce and maintain existing structures, including those that are historical and form part of the artistic heritage.
- Manage and carry out designs and works effectively, paying particular attention to technological and innovative aspects and to sustainability.
- Function as project managers, construction managers and work superintendents.
- Apply scientific methodology.
- Use their critical capacities.
- Create and innovate.
- Be rigorous in their approach in a way that is balanced with the socioeconomic reality of the field of construction.
- Produce mathematical models of engineering problems.

DOUBLE-DEGREE AGREEMENTS

Double-degree pathways at the UPC

- Master's degree in Structural and Construction Engineering + Master's degree in Civil Engineering

QUALITY ACCREDITATION

Check the degree's main quality indicators in the University Studies in Catalonia portal of the Catalan University Quality Assurance Agency. Find information on topics such as degree evaluation results, student satisfaction and graduate employment data.

[Further information](#)

ORGANISATION: ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND REGULATIONS

UPC school

[Barcelona School of Civil Engineering \(ETSECCPB\)](#)

Academic coordinator

[José Turmo Coderque](#)

Academic calendar

[General academic calendar for bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees courses](#)

Academic regulations

[Academic regulations for master's degree courses at the UPC](#)

MASTER'S DEGREE WEBSITE
