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Admission to UPES, with a view to preparing for and obtaining the national computer engineering diploma, is done solely by competitive examination in accordance with the provisions of Decree 95-2602 of December 25, 1995.

Article 1 - Duration of studies and number of hours

The training includes a total hourly volume of approximately 2700 hours, spread over three years of study. The first and second years of study each include two (2) semesters and at least four (4) weeks of professional internships. The 3rd year of study consists of one semester and at least sixteen (16) weeks reserved for the completion of an end-of-studies project.


A semester consists of at least sixteen (16) weeks dedicated to teaching and evaluations.

Article 2 - Specialties

Engineering students in the 1st and 2nd year will be assigned to a common core through an admission competition. The 2nd year engineering students will be distributed in the second semester between any specialties, taking into account their wishes, their results and the capacity of each specialty. UPES offers 3 specialties (Computer Engineering, Industrial Computing, Computer Systems and Networks).

Article 3 - Teaching Modules and Units

The lessons are organized in modules taught in the form of courses (C), tutorials (TD), practical works (TP), projects and supervised personal work. The modules contributing to the acquisition of a coherent set of learning outcomes are grouped into teaching units (UE). A course generally includes between (1) and (3) modules of the same semester. A semester consists of between (5) and (6) UE.

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Article 4 - Attendance and discipline

Attendance at all lessons and all activities provided for in the study plan is compulsory. When absences in a module exceed 20% of the time allocated to it by the study plan, the engineering student concerned is not authorized to take the relevant test in the main session. Repeat absences may be taken into consideration by the class council, in the final deliberations and in the ranking of each promotion. It should be noted that medical certificates do not necessarily constitute proof of absences.

In rooms, halls and circulation areas, engineering students must behave in a civic manner and observe the rules of good conduct. Actions, whatever they may be, contrary to the civic spirit are formally condemned and expose their perpetrators to disciplinary sanctions.

Article 5 - Internships

Training in each of the specialties is supplemented by compulsory internships, in the first and second year. Each of the courses is the subject of a report drawn up by the engineering student who followed it. The internship report is evaluated by a jury whose composition is set by the director of UPES, on the proposal of the director of the IT department. Any internship declared inconclusive by the jury requires a replacement internship carried out and evaluated under the same conditions. The internship grade counts in the final promotion ranking.


Article 6 - End of studies project

In the third year, the training includes an end-of-studies project (PFE), of a professional nature and related to the specialty followed, in the form of engineering work in a professional situation supervised by at least one (1) teacher of UPES. The PFE is defended before a jury appointed by the director of the UPES, after consulting the director of the IT department. The jury is composed of at least three (3) teachers including the supervising teacher of the PFE. The director of the UPES can invite any person whose competence is recognized in the subject area of the PFE to be part of the jury. Only engineering students who have validated the third year modules, the credit modules and have submitted their reports on time are authorized to support the PFE.

Article 7 - Methods of evaluation

The acquisition of knowledge by engineering students is evaluated by a continuous monitoring system and by a final exam organized in two sessions:

- A main session whose period is set at the start of the academic year by the director of UPES, after advice from the scientific council.
- A catch-up session, which must take place one week after the results of the main session are announced, for each module.

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The examinations of the main session and the remedial session are organized in the form of written tests whose durations are fixed, at the beginning of each year, by the director of UPES after advice from the scientific council and on the proposal of the departments. Continuous assessment includes, depending on the form of teaching specific to each module, supervised homework, written and/or oral tests, reports and possibly presentations on practical work or summary work. Any absence from one of the exams will result in a grade of zero (0).

Article 8 - Calculation of averages

For each module, an average is calculated resulting from the marks obtained in the different assessment tests according to the study plan for the current year. The weighting coefficients assigned to these tests are fixed according to the form of the lessons specific to each module as follows:

- Modules organized in the form of integrated courses (Courses and tutorials only): 70% final exam and 30% continuous assessment (80% DS, 20% Other forms);
- Modules organized in the form of integrated courses, practical work and/or tutored project: 50% final exam and 50% continuous assessment (60% TP and/or Project, 40% DS);
- Modules organized exclusively in the form of practical work and/or tutored projects: 100% continuous assessment (100% practical work or 100% project or 50% practical work and 50% project). These modules do not have a final exam and cannot be retaken.


The calculation of the average of a teaching unit (UE) takes into account the weighting coefficients set in the study plans for the current academic year. The credits allocated to a unit and those allocated to the modules which constitute it according to the study plan for the current year are validated and capitalized upon obtaining an average greater than or equal to 10/20 in the unit in question. The credits allocated to a module are validated and capitalized upon obtaining an average greater than or equal to 10/20 in the module in question.

The average for a semester is obtained from the averages of the EU for the semester in question affected by their respective coefficients set in the study plans for the current academic year. The general annual average is the arithmetic average of the averages of the first and second semester.

Article 9 - Modalities of transfer

Is declared admitted to the upper year by the director of UPES on the recommendation of the class council, the engineering student having satisfied the following two conditions:

- Obtaining a general average equal to or greater than 10/20, after the main or remedial tests. The general average is obtained from the averages of the teaching units assigned their respective coefficients.

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- Obtaining an average equal to or greater than 08/20 in each of the teaching units, after the main or remedial exams.

The calculation of the average of a teaching unit takes into account the weighting coefficients set by the study plan.

Article 10 - Catch-up

A student who has not been declared admitted to the main session is authorized to take the final exam for modules in which he or she obtained an average of less than 10/20 in a remedial session. However, if the general average of the 1st or 2nd year or the average of the first semester of the 3rd year of this student in the main session is equal to or greater than 10/20, the remedial modules are limited to those in which he has obtained an average less than 10/20 and belonging to the EU in which it obtained an average less than 08/20.

Modules assessed exclusively in continuous assessment cannot be subject to retake.

At the end of the catch-up session, the average for each module, the EU average and the semester averages as well as the annual general average are calculated under the same conditions provided for the main session and taking into account the best mark of the course. final exam obtained in the main session and in the remedial session.


Article 11 - Credits

A fixed number of credits is granted for each module proportional to the workload necessary for the engineering student to achieve the expected results at the end of the module. The workload includes hours of actual attendance at all forms of educational activities supervised by teachers, personal work, and assessment tests. A semester includes a total of (30) credits.

The engineering student who, after the remedial session, has obtained a general average equal to or greater than 10/20 and an average lower than 08/20 in one or more teaching units, may be admitted to the higher year with credit. Credit is granted for the module(s) whose average is greater than 10/20, for the modules of the year of study considered. For the transition to the third year, credit can only be granted if the credit modules of the first semester are validated. The average retained for a credit module corresponds to the maximum of the following 3 grades:

- The new credit examination score,
- The new average calculated according to the provisions of article 8,
- The old average.

A credit module is validated when the new average of the teaching unit to which it belongs is equal to or greater than 08/20.

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The validation of credit modules is carried out under the same conditions as those of the make-up exam session. The credit modules are decided, for each credited engineering student, by the director of UPES on the recommendation of the class council.

Article 12 - Repetition

Repeating a year is authorized only once during schooling. In the event of repeating a year, the validated and capitalized units remain acquired by the student concerned. The student can also keep, at his request at the start of the repeat year, the benefit of modules whose average is greater than or equal to 10/20 and belonging to non-validated teaching units.

Article 13 - Obtaining the diploma

The UPES national computer engineering diploma is awarded to third-year engineering students who have satisfied the following conditions:

- Have obtained a mark greater than or equal to 10/20 on the end-of-studies project,
- Have successfully passed the third year exams,
- Have validated the credit object modules,
- Have completed all required internships.

Article 14 - Extension of schooling

Engineering students who have not validated their internships or successfully completed their end-of-study project may benefit from an extension of their studies of up to 6 months. The extension is declared by the director of UPES on the recommendation of the class council.

Article 15 - Ranking in the promotion

For each specialty, a ranking is established for each promotion according to the results obtained during the three years of study, the PFE grade, and the internship grades. This ranking will be carried out on the basis of the following criteria:

- The averages of the main sessions of the three years (60%)
- The graduation project (30%)
- Both internships (10%)

The engineering students who had to take the remedial exams will be ranked following the engineering students who passed all the main sessions.