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- **Duration:** 11 months
- **Credit:** 60 ECTS
- **Degree:** Post-master’s specialization diploma in Computer Science
- **Tuition fees:** 12 000 €
- **Rate of Studies:** Full time with visits to applications sites
- **Language of Instruction:** English
- **Financial aid:** Scholarships available for direct registration, from European bodies, for students from our international university partners, for academics excellence. Various possible public and industrial sponsorships.

**Applications**

Application forms and information on the program are available from [http://www.mines-nantes.fr](http://www.mines-nantes.fr)

Deadline for applications: end of November

Contact for candidates: mde-admission@emn.fr

Contact for companies: mde-industry@emn.fr

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- One semester of academic coursework (360 hours) at the Ecole des Mines de Nantes (in constant relation with the EMN researchers) combined with seminars, regular visits to successful MDE deployment sites, and group projects.

- A 6-month internship with a key player in the field (company or lab) to solve industrial issues with MDE solutions.

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- Nantes is the 6th town in France and has been quoted as “the most liveable city in all of Europe” (TIME Magazine, 22 August 2004). It is only two hours from Paris by TGV and located 50km from the Atlantic coast. Wide variety of cultural activities.

- Modern campus with spacious teaching and research facilities, accommodation, restaurant and cafeteria.

- The area of Nantes is well known for its eagerness in fostering innovation in software engineering and particularly in model driven engineering. Several companies have pioneer record in the area of reverse engineering of legacy systems, software modernization, management of information systems in the banking industry and electronic government services. Nantes is also home to internationally visible small techno-providers. The area hosts a rich and dynamic ecosystem of IT ventures, including important groups in the bank and insurance industry. MDE will expose students to this exciting environment.

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Module 1: Prerequisites (60h)
- Free and Open Source Models for Software Development
- Practical Software Development with Eclipse
- Software Modeling including OMG MDA standards (UML, OCL, etc.)

Module 2: Fundamentals (120h)
- Fundamentals of Metamodeling and Domain Modeling
- Theory and Practice of Model Transformation
- Advanced Model Management: repositories & collaborative development
- Basic Model Driven Software Development

Module 3: Applications of MDE (120h)
- Information Systems
- Embedded Systems
- Data Engineering
- Web Engineering
- Process Engineering
- System Engineering
- Graphical User Interfaces
- Legacy Reverse Engineering and Cartography of Information Systems

Module 4: Management (60h)
- MDE Management Projects
- Change Organizational Process in MDE
- Alignment of Business Needs with Technical Platforms
- Strategies for Information System Evolution and Modernization

Module 5: Internship (6 months)
- A co-op stay in a company or in a lab to work on a MDE project

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