



École Polytechnique de l'Université de Tours

PROFILE

Polytech'Tours is a school of engineering.

The hallmarks of France's schools of engineering -of which Polytech'Tours is an excellent example- are highly selective admissions and small enrollments, which make for an intensive learning environment. Postsecondary study leading to the master's-equivalent engineering degree (diplôme d'ingénieur) requires 5 years, the first 2 of which are spent in preparatory classes. In addition to their training in science and engineering, students learn foreign languages and management. They have the opportunity to contribute to consulting projects performed for industry and to apply what they have learned during their required internships.

Major fields of study

Polytech'Tours confers the diplôme d'ingénieur in 5 specialty areas:

- regional planning
- information science
- industrial computing (by apprenticeship in cooperation with ITII Centre)
- electronics and electrical energy systems
- system design and mechanics

Polytech'Tours offers research masters in the following fields:

- information science
- electronics, signals, microsystems
- cities and their surrounding regions: urban studies and regional planning

Research

Polytech'Tours hosts 4 laboratories affiliated with Université de Tours:

- Engineering team of the project on land use and environmental planning (CITERES-IPAPE), <http://citeres.univ-tours.fr>
- Information science laboratory, <http://www.li.univ-tours.fr>
- Laboratory on power microelectronics, <http://www.lmp.univ-tours.fr>
- Laboratory of mechanics and rheology, <http://www.lmr.univ-tours.fr>



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Strengths

A unit of the school known as Polytech'Tours-Mundus is dedicated to implementing an ambitious strategy to expand the school's European and international relations. The unit also is responsible for the development of programs for nonfrancophone students.

The school's proposed partnership initiative with China was selected by the French government through a recent request for proposals on international student mobility. Polytech'Tours has agreements with 20 European universities, 6 universities in Quebec, 2 Brazilian universities, and 10 other foreign institutions (in Australia, India, and the United States, among others). The school's goal is for all of its students to spend a period of study abroad during their postsecondary years.

Location

City of Tours, in the high-tech Quartier des Deux Lions South of Paris (55 minutes by train)

IDENTITY FORM

www.polytech.univ-tours.fr

Precise name of the institution →	École Polytechnique de l'Université de Tours
Type of institution →	University-based school of engineering
City where the main campus is located →	Tours
Number of students →	As of September 1, 2009: 1010 students, including 890 aspiring engineers
Percentage or number of international students →	During the 2008–09 academic year, Polytech'Tours enrolled 226 international students of 28 different nationalities. Of these, 130 (from 21 different nations) were studying engineering.
Type and level of qualifications awarded →	• LMD : research master • Other national diplomas: diplôme d'ingénieur
French language courses →	No. But some partnership agreements make provisions for improving the French proficiency of participating students.
Programs for international students →	All students must be enrolled in a formal program, which may be adapted to meet the terms of a specific partnership agreement. All of the school's academic programs are open to international students.
Programs in English →	No. Some modules may be delivered in English if justified by the number of students affected.
Registration fees / year (for information only) →	773 euros
Postal address →	64 avenue Jean Portalis - 37200 Tours - France

