



DURATION OF STUDIES

2 years (4 semesters)

LANGUAGES OF INSTRUCTION

French, English

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

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ADMISSION CONDITIONS

Bachelor in Multilingual Communication from the FTI, or a Bachelor degree from another university in multilingual communication, translation, communication, linguistics, computer science, or arts, or any other type of diploma, provided that you have obtained credits for at least one course in language engineering, translation technology, or information and communication technology.

C1 certificate for English.

B2 certificate for French.

Admission is based on your application file.

Master's Programme

COMMUNICATION AND TRANSLATION TECHNOLOGY WITH A SPECIALISATION IN DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

The 120-credit Master in Communication and Translation Technology is geared towards people who are passionate about both languages and computer science. This programme will help you develop the necessary technical and linguistic skills to handle multilingual information, for example by creating websites in multiple languages, managing writing, translation or localisation projects, using translation technology, managing terminology, or conducting multilingual information research. It does not matter what your native language is, but you must be able to work in French and English.

This programme is based on four main subjects: translation project management and quality control (developing, carrying out and evaluating multilingual projects); information and communication technology (finding and handling multilingual information); localisation and web development (creating multilingual content online); and translation technology (implementing and evaluating translation technology, and managing terminology). It includes a wide variety of theoretical and practical courses that are strongly rooted in the professional world. The programme includes a mandatory internship, as well as a master's thesis, which acts as an introduction to formal research and can be related to your internship.

STUDY PROGRAMME

4 semesters (max. 6 semesters) | 120 ECTS credits

Mandatory courses (26 credits)

- Research methodology
- Databases
- Introduction to programming
- Information and services systems modeling
- Communication networks
- Programming Languages Seminar

Mandatory electives (56 credits)

- Project management and quality assurance
- Language engineering
- Localisation 1
- Localisation 2
- Digital methods and practices
- Multimedia and internet technologies
- XML and multilingual documents
- Translation corpora
- Terminology
- Terminotics
- Computer-assisted translation
- Machine translation 1 - systems and architecture
- Machine translation 2 - pre-editing, post-editing, and evaluation
- Human-machine interface
- Machine learning
- Semantic web technologies
- Large language models and applications

Free electives (16 credits)

- Audiovisual translation 1
- Audiovisual translation 2
- Specialised writing A
- Specialised writing B/EN
- Understanding the digital
- Globalised, multilingual and plurilingual communication
- Translation technology internship
- Another UNIGE course in communication, computational linguistics or computer science

Master's thesis (22 credits)

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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LEVEL OF FRENCH REQUIRED BY UNIGE

Eliminatory general test for non-Francophones, with the exception of the following cases:

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LEVEL OF ENGLISH

C1 of the Common European Framework of reference.

PROFESSIONAL PROSPECTS

This programme opens the door to a wide variety of professions in fast-growing sectors of the language industry.

TUITION FEES

500 CHF per semester

REGISTRATION

Deadline for candidates that hold a foreign bachelor's degree: 28 February 2026
(30 April 2026 for candidates that hold a Swiss bachelor's degree at the start of the next academic year AND, according to their nationality, are not subject to a visa for entry into Switzerland for more than 90 days, according to Swiss government requirements and regardless of their current place of residence, or for candidates holding a Swiss residence permit that is valid beyond 30 April.)

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