

Study Programme

Academic year 2025-2026

Programme jointly offered by Ghent University, Vrije Universiteit Brussel Master of Science in Sustainable Land Management -- Land and Groundwater Management

Language of instruction: English

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1	General	Courses			65 (credits
Nr	Course		CRDT Re	f MT1	Session	Study
1	1002657	Soil Physics Wim Cornelis Department of Environment	5	1	A:1	150
2	C004601	Introduction to Environmental Programming and Geostatistics Vrije Universiteit Brussel	5	1	A:1	150
3	1002774	Land Information Systems Frieke Vancoillie Department of Environment	5	1	A:1	150
4	C002615	Environmental Impact Assessment Marieke Paepen Department of Geology	6	1	A:1	150
5	C004600	Remote Sensing N. N.	6	1	A:1	180
6	C004465	Engineering Applications in Hydrology Herman Peiffer Department of Civil Engineering	5	1	A:2	150
7	C004583	Futureproof Earth: Groundwater Thomas Hermans Department of Geology	5	1	A:2	150
8	K001298	Sustainable Development Bernard Mazijn Department of Conflict and Development Studies	5	1	A:2	150
9	C003320	Climate Change Dirk Verschuren Department of Biology	3	1	B:2	90
10	C004621	Introduction to Geotechnics, Dredging and Offshore Constuctions	3	1	A:2	90
11	1002708	Soil Water Management Wim Cornelis Department of Environment	5	1	A:2	150
12	C004599	Scientific Communication on Sustainable Land Management Marieke Paepen Department of Geology	7	1	A:J	210
13	C004260	Integrated Project Margaret Chen Vrije Universiteit Brussel	5	2	A:J	138
2	Courses	Related to the Main Subject			45	credits

2.1 Land and Groundwater Management (UGent)

Nr Course	CRDT Re	f MT1	Session	Study
1 C002656 Groundwater Modelling Thomas Hermans Department of Geology	5	2	B:1	125
2 C002655 Groundwater Chemistry Marieke Paepen Department of Geology	5	2	B:1	125
3 C004259 Applied Geophysics Thomas Hermans Department of Geology	5	2	A:1	135
2.2 Master's Dissertation			30	credits
Nr Course	CRDT Re	ef MT1	Session	Study
1 C004264 Master's Dissertation	30	2	A:J	900

15 credits

Subscribe to 10 credit units from no less than 1 and no more than 2 modules from the following list. Subject to approval by the curriculum committee.

3.1 Elective Course List

Subscribe to no more than 10 credit units from the following list. Courses 2 to 12 are offered at UGent, 13 to 20 at VUB.

*The course 'Groundwater Modelling' is only open for students Urban Land Enigneering (VUB). mont (LICont)

	n <mark>e course 'La</mark> Course	nd-Climate Dynamics' is only open for students Land and Groundw	vater Management (U	<mark>JGent).</mark> Ref	MT1	Session	Studv
1 1	C004604	Internship	10	Kei	2	A:J	300
		Thomas Hermans Department of Geology					
2	C004539	Fluvial Processes and Management Amaury Frankl Department of Geography	5		2	A:1	150
3	1002454	Geostatistics	5		2		150
4	C004255	Geothermal Energy Thomas Hermans Department of Geology	3		2	A:2	90
5	A005569	Global Minds Ines Keygnaert Department of Public Health and Primary Care	5	UKV	2	A:2	150
6	1002699	Land Evaluation Ann Verdoodt Department of Environment	5		2	A:2	150
7	C001032	Landscape Ecology Veerle Van Eetvelde Department of Geography	5		2	A:2	150
8	C003994	Mineral Resources, Economics and the Environment Stijn Dewaele Department of Geology	6		2	A:1	150
9	1002712	Soil Degradation Ann Verdoodt Department of Environment	5		2	A:2	150
10	1002664	Soil Erosion Control: Principles and Practice Ann Verdoodt Department of Environment	4		2	A:1	120
11	1002718	Economics and Management of Natural Resources Stijn Speelman Department of Agricultural Economics	4		2	A:2	120
12	F001022	Dare to Venture Johan Verrue Department of Marketing, Innovation and Organisation	4		2	A:2	120
13	C004472	Civil Engineering Hydraulics Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Gerlinde Lefever	4		2	A:1	110
14	C004269	Decision Support Systems for Sustainability Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Cathy Macharis	6		2	A:2	152
15	C004473	Groundwater Modelling Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Marijke Huysmans	5	*	2	A:1	125
16	C004614	Land-Climate Dynamics Vrije Universiteit Brussel	5	*	2	A:1	125
17	C004271	Natural Risk Management Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Matthieu Kervyn de Meerendre	3		2	A:2	90
18	C004267	Water and Land Interaction and Transformation Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Margaret Chen	5		2	A:1	135
19	C004272	Water Quality Assessment Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Marc Elskens	4		2	A:2	100
20	C004615	Greening the City Vrije Universiteit Brussel	6		2	(A:2) ^c	160

3.2 Elective Courses of a University of the Flemish Community

Subscribe to no more than 10 credit units from courses of the other main subject or courses from other study programmes at universities in the Flemish Community upon approval by the curriculum committee.

Teaching

When a course is not taught (solely) in the programme's language of instruction, the effectively used languages are indicated in square brackets following the cours name, using the following ISO codes:

bg: Bulgarian	de: German	es: Spanish	ja: Japanese	pl: Polish	sh: Kroatian/Serbian	zh: Chinese
cs: Czech	el: Greek	fr: French	nl: Dutch	pt: Portuguese	sl: Slovene	
da: Danish	en: English	it: Italian	no: Norwegian	ru: Russian	sv: Swedish	
ua. Danish	en. English	IL ILAIIAII	no. Noi wegian	Tu. Russian	sv. Sweuisn	

Semester

Semesters are indicated by their number (1 or 2); semester 3 represents the summer period and J indicates a course spanning semesters 1 and 2. When a capital letter precedes a semester number, the course has multiple offerings. The letter indicates the offering concerned. When a semester is shown in brackets, the course in not offered this year in the specific offering. The offering frequency and first year of offering are indicated by the following codes:

a: bi-annually	c: a
b: tri-annually	d: b
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c: annually, from 2026-2027 d: bi-annually, from 2026-2027 e: tri-annually, from 2026-2027 f: annually, from 2027-2028 g: bi-annually, from 2027-2028 h: tri-annually, from 2027-2028 i: annually, from 2028-2029 j: bi-annually, from 2028-2029 k: tri-annually, from 2028-2029