## Appendix A: Teaching outcomes of the Msc. Energy and Environmental Sciences (EES) (art. 1.3)

## **EES Master General**

#### A KNOWLEDGE

- A1) The Master has knowledge of principles, basic assumptions and historic development and the interdisciplinary and international character of EES.
- A2) The Master has extensive knowledge of basic concepts and methods of EES and has knowledge of the interdisciplinary context of these concept and methods.
- A3) The Master has knowledge of the quantitative and qualitative character of EES and has knowledge of the methodologies used in EES, including application and design of models.
- A4) The Master has specialised knowledge of a number of recent issues and related methods within EES.

#### **B SKILLS AND ATTITUDES**

### **B1** Performing research

The Master can independently make a research plan and complete the research based on his specialism. The Master can deal with the complexity of the research process and if necessary can redirect the research with regard to external circumstances and/or new insights. The master is capable of evaluating and reflecting on scientific research within his specialism.

## B2 Solving (design) problems

The Master can independently and based on his specialism formulate research questions and can address and evaluate them.

The master can participate in an interdisciplinary team in order to jointly solve complex (design) problems.

## **B3** Collecting data

The Master can collect relevant information and data and is able to critically assess its scientific value.

The Master is able to draw conclusions based on incomplete or limited information.

## **B4** Cooperating

The Master can cooperate in a multidisciplinary team aimed at solving complex problems.

### **B5** Communicating

The Master can verbally and in writing communicate, in English, his research as well as the underlying knowledge, motives and considerations to an audience of specialists and/or non-specialists.

## **B6** Reflecting

The Master can act critically and largely independently in an academic, scientific and professional context.

The Master takes into account social and ethical considerations related to his research.

The Master can make relevant choices with regard to the start of his career.

## Final qualifications for the specializations

The EES Master's degree programme has two specializations:

- "System Studies on Energy and Environment"
- "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate"

## Specialization "System Studies on Energy and Environment"

teaching outcomes (in addition to "EES master general").

## "System Studies on Energy and Environment"

## A KNOWLEDGE

A1-1) The master has knowledge of the complex relations between energy and other resources (renewable en non-renewable) and societal functions related to various scales in space and time in the context of a transition to sustainability and environmental quality.

A1-2) The Master has knowledge of the relation between production and consumption systems in the context of a transition to sustainability and environmental quality.

A1-3) The Master has knowledge of technological and scientifically based methodologies within EES and can consider them within an individual, societal and policy context from an interdisciplinary perspective.

## **B SKILLS AND ATTITUDES**

B1-1) The Master can independently perform scientific research based on methodologies to analyse and evaluate energy and resource issues from an integrated systems perspective.

B1-2) The Master can design realistic models and scenarios of energy and resource issues within clearly delineated system boundaries.

The Master can evaluate model and scenario results with respect to sustainability, feasibility and acceptability.

B1-3) The Master can critically evaluate various data sources and can integrate them in his own research.

The specialization "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate" has the following additional teaching outcomes:

## Specialization "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate"

teaching outcomes (in addition to "EES master general").

## "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate"

## **KNOWLEDGE**

A2-1) The Master has knowledge of the various characteristics of the earth climate system, especially climate history, climate change and its contributing factors and more specifically the carbon cycle.

A2-2) The Master has knowledge of naturally occurring stable and radioactive isotopes. This comprises especially the chemical and physical aspects of the variation in isotope occurrence.

A2-3) The Master has knowledge of the use of natural isotopes as tracers, especially regarding applications in climate history and global cycles like that of water and carbon.

A2-4) The Master has knowledge of the principles of various measurement systems used in environmental research

## SKILLS AND ATTITUDES

B2-1) The Master can independently perform experimental scientific research using laboratory equipment and methods.

B2-2) The Master is able to apply sophisticated software systems to run measuring equipment, analyse data, and to design and execute basic models.

# Appendix B: Specializations of the degree programme (art. 2.2)

The Msc. Energy and Environmental Sciences programme has two specializations:

- 1. "System Studies on Energy and Environment"
- 2. "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate"

## Appendix C: Content of the degree programme (art. 2.3)+ Appendix E: compulsory order of examinations (art. 3.2)

1. "System Studies on Energy and Environment":

module	ECTS	entry requirements	assessment	practical
Introduction to Energy and Environmental	5	-	paper, oral presentation,	
Sciences (Intro EES) **			assignments, exam **	
Resources and Sustainable Development	15	Intro EES	assignments, presentations,	computerlab
(R&SD)**			papers, exam **	
Energy and Materials (E&M)	10	R&SD	projectwork, presentations,	computerlab
			assignments, reports, exam	
Current Topics in Energy and Environmental	5	R&SD	assignments, written report	
Sciences (Current Topics)				
Optional modules	25	see appendix D	see appendix D	see app. D
Training Thesis*	25-45	R&SD, E&M,	plan, process, presentation,	research
		Current Topics	written report	
Master Thesis*	25-45	R&SD, E&M, Current	plan, process, presentation,	research
		Topics, optional courses,	written report	
		training thesis		

<sup>\*</sup> training thesis and master thesis together at least 60 ECTS; \*\*\* all separate parts that are assessed have to be passed.

## 2. "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate":

module	ECTS	entry requirements	assessment	practical
Introduction to Energy and Environmental	5	-	paper, oral presentation,	
Sciences (Intro EES) **			assignments, exam **	
Resources and Sustainable Development	15	Intro EES	assignments, presentations,	computerlab
(R&SD) **			papers, exam **	
Experimental Methods of Trace Gas Research	5		assignments, lab reports, exam	laboratory work
(EMTGR)				
Global Change	10	R&SD	assignments, written report,	computerlab
			exam	
Current Topics in Energy and Environmental	5	R&SD	assignments, written report	
Sciences (Current Topics)				
Optional modules	20	see appendix D	see appendix D	see app. D
Training Thesis*	25-45	R&SD, EMTGR, Global	plan, process, technical and/or	research
		Change, Current	laboratory skills, presentation,	
		Topics	written report	
Master Thesis*	25-45	R&SD, EMTGR, Global	plan, process, (technical and/or	research
		Change, Current	laboratory skills), presentation,	
		Topics, optional	written report	
		courses, training thesis		

<sup>\*</sup> training thesis and master thesis together at least 60 ECTS; \*\* all separate parts that are assessed have to be passed.

# Appendix D: Optional modules of the degree programme (art. 2.4)

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Each specialization has a separate package of optional modules.

## 1. "System Studies on Energy and Environment":

The specialization "System Studies on Energy and Environment" has 25 ECTS of optional modules. At least 15 ECTS have to be chosen from the following list of modules:

Optional course	EC	Faculty/Department	
Experimental Methods of Trace Gas Research		FWN/EES (CIO)	
Global Change A (+B)		FWN/EES (CIO)	
Geo-Energy	5	FWN/ESRIG	
Global Development Studies		Center for Development Studies	
Zonnecellen (in Dutch)		FWN/Chemistry	
Dilemma's in Infrastructure Planning		Spatial Sciences	
Transitions in Environmental Planning	5	Spatial Sciences	
Ruimtelijke Informatiekunde: geografische		Spatial Sciences	
informatiesystemen			
Water Management and Integrated Coastal Zone		Spatial Sciences	
Management			
Process and Projectmanagement	5	Spatial Sciences	
Environmental Economics	5	Economics & Business	
Environmental Psychology	5	Behavioural & Social Sciences	
Omgevingsrecht 1 (in Dutch)	6	Law	
Omgevingsrecht 2 (in Dutch)	6	Law	
Energy Law		Law	
European Environmental Law		Law	

After approval of the Board of Examiners 10 ECTS of optional modules can be chosen from other modules than the courses in the list or can be added to the Training Thesis or Master Thesis.

## 2. "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate":

The Specialization "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate" has 20 ECTS of optional modules. At least 10 ECTS have to be chosen from the following list of modules (Possibilities depend on your background):

Optional course	EC	FWN Department
Energy & Materials	10	FWN/EES (IVEM)
Geo-Energy	5	FWN/ESRIG
Mathematical Methods	5	Physics
Device Physics	5	Physics
Principles of Measurement Systems	5	Physics
Statistical Methods in Physics	5	Physics
Scientific visualization	5	Physics
Zonnecellen (in Dutch)	5	Chemistry
Biocatalysis & Green Chemistry	5	Chemistry

After approval of the Board of Examiners 10 ECTS of the optional modules can be chosen from other modules than the courses in the list or can be added to the Training Thesis or Master Thesis.

## Appendix F Admission requirements (art. 4.1; 4.2)

The Msc. Energy and Environmental Sciences programme has two specializations:

- 1. "System Studies on Energy and Environment"
- 2. "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate"

Each specialization has different admission requirements.

## 1. Requirements for admission to the specialization "System Studies on Energy and Environment":

Holders of the following Bachelor's degrees from the University of Groningen are considered to have sufficient knowledge and skills and will be admitted to the specialization "System Studies on Energy and Environment" of the Master's degree programme in Energy and Environmental Sciences on that basis:

- a Bachelor's degree in Biology
- a Bachelor's degree in Life Science and Technology
- a Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy
- a Bachelor's degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences
- a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry
- a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering
- a Bachelor's degree in Physics
- a Bachelor's degree in Applied Physics
- a Bachelor's degree in Astronomy
- a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics
- a Bachelor's degree in Applied Mathematics
- a Bachelor's degree in Computing Science
- a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering and Management
- a Bachelor's degree in Artificial Intelligence

## 2. Requirements for admission to the specialization "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate":

Holders of the following Bachelor's degrees from the University of Groningen are considered to have sufficient knowledge and skills and will be admitted to the specialization "Experimental Studies of Energy and Climate" of the Master's degree programme in Energy and Environmental Sciences on that basis:

- a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry
- a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering
- a Bachelor's degree in Physics
- a Bachelor's degree in Applied Physics
- a Bachelor's degree in Astronomy