

# Curriculum 2018-2020

## Curriculum for Academic Years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020

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**Academic coordinator:** University Lecturer Janne Halme

**Degree:** Master of Science (Technology) from Aalto University (120 ECTS), Master of Science or similar degree from partner university

**Major:** Advanced Materials for Innovation and Sustainability (SCI3083)

**Minor:** Innovation and Entrepreneurship (SCI3091)

### Description

Advanced Materials for Innovation and Sustainability (AMIS) major will tackle the theme substitution of critical or toxic materials in products and for optimised performance, but will also cover material chain optimisation for end-of-life products and product and services design for the circular economy — all of which are central themes of the EIT RawMaterials. The primary focus of the adaptation is on metal and mineral raw materials; bio-base and polymer materials are covered in view of their substitution potential and other materials in the context of multi-material product recycling. In addition, AMIS includes a solid package of courses and project work in innovation and entrepreneurship.

The mobility of the students is an integrated part of the programme and during the two-year programme, the students will study at two of the consortium partner universities. The first year studies are taken either in Aalto, Grenoble INP or TU Darmstadt (two semester: autumn + spring). For the second year, the students move to one of these exit universities: Aalto, Grenoble INP, TU Darmstadt, Université de Liege or Université de Bordeaux 1. Upon completion of the programme, students will receive a double degree. The language of instruction of AMIS programme is English. The AMIS programme will boost young professionals to become change agents with an entrepreneurship mindset able to safeguard the sustainability of EIT RawMaterials throughout the industrial and research landscape.

### Learning outcomes in Aalto University

#### First year learning outcomes

In the first year, students build a body of skills and knowledge that puts them on fast track to becoming specialists in entrepreneurship and materials science. They will know the fundamental principles and concepts of businesses and entrepreneurship, and have an up-to-date picture of nanophysics, nanomaterials and functional materials.

They will apply this knowledge in hand-on exercises and group work. Through tailored methodology and English language courses, the student will get introduced into project management, group dynamics, entrepreneurship and oral communications, in a setting that mimics a professional environment. Such integrated training of soft and hard skills is needed for the rest of the Master's studies. The year is completed by summer camp, jointly with all the other AMIS students, and internship in the field.

#### Second year learning outcomes

Building on the foundations laid in the 1st year, the students learn advanced topics in areas of their choice and continue to improve their research and hands-on skills. They will have in-depth understanding of some specialist topics in nanophysics, nanomaterials and functional materials. Through tailored methodology and English language courses, the student will get introduced into project management, group dynamics, entrepreneurship and oral communications, in a setting that mimics a professional environment. The students are able to apply their knowledge and present technical information in written and spoken form.

### University partners

- Grenoble Institut Polytechnique (GINP), France (Coordinator) <http://www.grenoble-inp.fr/>
- Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany <https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/>
- Aalto University, Espoo, Finland <http://www.aalto.fi/en/>
- University of Bordeaux, France <http://www.u-bordeaux.com/>
- University of Liege, Belgium [https://www.ulg.ac.be/cms/c\\_5000/en/home](https://www.ulg.ac.be/cms/c_5000/en/home)

### Degree structure at Aalto University

Advanced Materials for Innovation and Sustainability Major (55 ECTS)

Master's thesis (30 ECTS)

Innovation and Entrepreneurship Minor (35 ECTS)