

Eligibility and admission requirements

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Eligibility

Article 16 of Royal Decree 1393/2007 of 29 October, modified by Royal Decree 861/2010, stipulates:

- To be eligible for an official master's degree programme, students must hold an official bachelor's degree from a Spanish university or from a higher education institution belonging to another member state of the European Higher Education Area that enables access to master's programmes (Art. 16.1)
- Graduates from education systems outside the European Higher Education Area will be eligible for UJA programmes without validating their degrees once the university has checked that they have completed an equivalent level of training to the corresponding official bachelor's degrees in Spain and that their degrees enable access to postgraduate study in the issuing country. Eligibility via this route in no way entails official validation of the applicant's degree nor recognition of this degree for any purpose other than admission to UJA master's programmes. (Art. 16.2)
- Applicants in possession of a Bachelor's degree, an Architecture degree, or an Engineering degree (Fourth Additional Provision, section 2).
- Applicants in possession of a University Diploma, a Technical Architecture degree or a Technical Engineering degree (Fourth Additional Provision, section 3).

In accordance with Article 73 of Legislative Decree 1/2013 of 8 January approving the Consolidated Text of the Andalusian Universities Act, for the sole purpose of university admissions, all Andalusian public universities form a single district for bachelor's and master's study under an agreement between the universities and the Regional Department for Universities. This is to ensure that universities apply the same admission requirements

and evaluation methods to all applicants. The admission procedure will be conducted by a technical committee from the Andalusian University Council, whose composition, duties and scope for action will be established by law.

Information on eligibility for study at the University of Jaén and pre-enrolment for university studies is available from the following sources:

1. [Andalusian Single University District \(Article 66 of Law 12/2011 of 16 December modifying the Andalusian Universities Act\).](#)
2. [University of Jaén website.](#)

No specific eligibility requirements or tests for admission to this programme have been set by the competent authority.

Admission to the university will be based on the student's previous studies, as indicated in the Applicant Profile section. Admission to the university will be based on full respect for fundamental rights and the principles of equality, merit and ability. Equally, the principles of universal accessibility and design for all set out in Law 51/2003 of 2 December on equal opportunities, non-discrimination and universal access for disabled people will be taken into consideration.

Recommended applicant profile

The recommended profile for admission to this Master's is that of students who can show that they have acquired the skills taught in a degree with the characteristics described in section 3 of Appendix II, Resolution of the General Secretariat for Universities on 8 June 2009 (BOE-A-2009-12977), which makes reference to the Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering.

In addition, graduates with the following qualifications may be admitted to the programme:

- **Computer Engineers:** these graduates are allowed direct access to the Master's Degree in Computer Engineering since they have already acquired the necessary skills for admission.
- **Technical Computer Engineers:** these graduates, who have not obtained the number of credits required to be awarded a Bachelor's Degree, will need to complete the necessary additional training depending on the skills acquired during their previous studies in the various fields of Computer Engineer. This additional training will be undertaken by successfully completing certain subjects taught on the undergraduate Computer Engineer programme at the University of Jaén.
- **Other qualifications**

Applicants from other programmes will need to complete the necessary additional training established by the academic committee for the master's programme.

Admission requirements

The general admission requirements for the Master's Degree in Computer Engineering are indicated in section 4.2 of Appendix I, Resolution of the General Secretariat for Universities on 8 June 2009 (BOE-A-2009-12977):

- Students who have acquired the skills set out in Section 3, Appendix II, of this Resolution establishing the requirements for verifying official university degrees enabling the exercise of the profession of Computer Technical Engineer and whose training is as described in Section 5 of the aforementioned Appendix II may be admitted to the Master's Degree qualifying graduates to exercise the profession of Computer Engineer.
- Admission to the master's degree will also be permitted when the student's bachelor's degree encompasses the basic training module and the common Engineering module, even if it does not cover a complete block of the specific technology module, as long as the student has obtained 48 credits from the blocks in this module as part of a bachelor's degree qualifying them to practise Computer Technical Engineering, in accordance with the aforementioned Resolution.
- Additionally, applicants in possession of any other bachelor's degree may be admitted to the master's programme, although they may be required to undertake any additional training deemed necessary.

These sections shall be understood without prejudice to the provisions of Article 17.2 and the fourth additional provision of Royal Decree 1393/2007 of 29 October, amended by Royal Decree 861/2010.

Admission and selection

In line with Article 17 of Royal Decree 1393/2007 of 29 October, modified by Royal Decree 861/2010, all aspects relating to admission (admission criteria, organisation conducting the admission process and its composition, criteria for assessing merit and admission tests, etc.) are set annually by the Department of Economy, Innovation and Science of the Andalusian Regional Government via publication of the corresponding agreement approving and publicising the procedure for managing admission to master's courses at public universities in Andalusia.

Admission criteria

Under the Andalusian Single District Agreement of 30 July 2014, the available places will be assigned on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Students from Computer Engineering and the Bachelor's Degrees in Computer Engineering, Software Engineering, Computer Engineering-Hardware Engineering, Computer Engineering-Software Engineering-Computing Technologies, IT Systems Engineering.
2. Students from Technical Computer Engineering for Management and IT Systems Technical Computer Engineering. Students from these programmes will need to complete the necessary additional training based on the skills acquired in their previous studies.
3. Students from other Bachelor's Degrees in Engineering, Engineers and Technical Engineers. Students from these programmes will need to complete the necessary additional training based on the skills acquired in their previous studies
4. Graduates from other programmes. Graduates from these programmes will need to complete the necessary additional training depending on the skills acquired during their previous studies

Candidates will be ordered within each group of preferred qualifications on the basis of their academic transcripts.

Once the candidates have been ordered according to the aforementioned assessment criteria, as many applicants as there are places will be admitted by strict order of preference. In the event of withdrawals, candidates who were not initially selected may be admitted by order of merit.

Pathways

The syllabus for the Master's Degree in Computer Engineering at the University of Jaén offers several different pathways. Depending on the student's previous studies, they may need to complete additional training in order to be admitted to the master's programme.

- Students holding a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering: complete programme
- [Students holding a Technical Computer Engineering for Management or an IT Systems Technical Computer Engineering qualification at the University of Jaén.](#)
- Students with other qualifications not listed above: the admission of students with other qualifications will be analysed by the academic committee for the master's programme.

Additional training

The general admission requirements for the Master's Degree in Computer Engineering are indicated in section 4.2 of Appendix I, Resolution of the General Secretariat for Universities on 8 June 2009 (BOE-A-2009-12977).

All students holding a Technical Computer Engineering for Management or an IT Systems Technical Computer Engineering qualification awarded by the University of Jaén that are admitted to the master's programme must complete an additional training. This additional training will be undertaken by successfully completing the adaptation course to obtain the Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering at the University of Jaén.

- [List of additional subjects for students holding a Technical Computer Engineering for Management or an IT Systems Technical Computer Engineering qualification from the University of Jaén.](#)

Support and advice systems

The University of Jaén website is regularly updated with information of interest for [new students](#). At the start of each academic year, the University of Jaén organises Welcome Days aimed at new students where they receive information about the following aspects:

- General information about the university's structure and functioning.
- Presentation of the tutors for each course.
- Specific information about the course (timetables, classrooms, laboratories, etc.).
- Services for students (<http://www10.ujaen.es/conocenos> /organos-gobierno/vicest)
- Assistance for disabled students.
- Assistance for students with learning difficulties.
- Assistance for gifted students.
- Volunteer centre.

- Work placements.
- Careers guidance.
- Entrepreneurship support.

Before classes begin, the master's coordinator will organise a welcome session aimed at new students to introduce them to the resources, tools and materials offered by both the University of Jaén and the master's programme. They will also receive detailed information about specific aspects of the master's course (lecturers, tutors, coordinators, content, timetables, methodologies, work schedules, materials, use of the virtual platform, teaching spaces, etc.).

Under Organic Law 6/2001 of 21 December on Universities (Article 46.2.e), students are entitled to “guidance and assistance from lecturers and tutors in the determined form”. The law acknowledges the importance of tutoring and guidance within the current university system. As a modern university committed to social outreach, we are aware of the need to provide resources to assist and interact more closely with students. The master's programme offers curricular tutoring and personalised academic support, as well as careers guidance.

Subject coordinators will be appointed to standardise the theoretical and practical content of modules taught by several different lecturers. They will also participate in specialised tutoring as part of the module coordination.

Meanwhile, the Higher Polytechnic School of Jaén offers the following services to all students:

- **Accessibility:** both the director and the secretary of the Higher Polytechnic School of Jaén are available on a daily basis to respond to any academic queries or concerns affecting students or their studies. The website for the school (<http://eps.ujaen.es/>) provides information about timetables for academic activities, assessment schedules, module syllabuses, contact details and office hours for lecturers, etc.
- **Sub-Directorate of Students:** the Higher Polytechnic School has a Subdirector for Students who is tasked with coordinating relations with the Student Council and the school's cultural associations. The Sub-director for Students at EPSJaén is responsible for:
 1. Liaising between the EPS management team and the students enrolled at the school. Providing students with personalised information and guidance to help them make decisions directly related to their curricular training or referring them to the team member best placed to address their queries and concerns.
 2. Coordinating the necessary teaching mechanisms to facilitate the integration and social inclusion of students with special educational needs enrolled at EPS-Jaén.
 3. Encouraging and promoting students' participation in university life.
 4. Helping students' associations linked to the school to organise activities of interest to the overall development of the school's students.

5. Organising and coordinating meetings and events directly related to the school's students: Welcome Days, representatives' meetings, scholarship awards ceremonies, etc.
6. Informing potential students who show an interest in applying to the school about our structure and the courses we offer, as well as answering any other queries or concerns they may have.