Using social media to localise disasters, making friendly care-robots and recognising objects in images. In the Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) degree programme at TU Delft, you will learn the theory and practice of developing software and processing data for the intelligent systems of today and the future.

What does the degree programme look like?
The programme consists of a mixture of lectures, practical assignments, group projects and considerable self-study. Each quarter in the first year consists of three courses: a fundamental course, a more applied course and a more practical course. You will learn how to analyse and design computer systems and their underlying algorithms. You will also study the subject of computability theory, addressing such questions as: what is computing, what can computers do and what can they not do, and how can you describe machines in a mathematical way? Artificial intelligence, computer graphics, data mining and image processing are also part of the programme. Furthermore, you will learn about the underlying principles of programming languages, data structures, software quality, how to model complex systems and how users interact with such systems. You will learn to solve problems systematically. In addition, you will regularly collaborate with other students on projects.

What will you learn?
In the first year, you will take a compulsory combination of courses. This is divided into about 40% fundamental computer science, 40% mathematics and 20% computer science skills. The courses include among others:
- Object-Oriented Programming: You will learn the basics of programming. At the end of this course, you will be able to develop various applications.
The second year consists of compulsory courses and electives. You can choose from three variant blocks, each comprising three courses. Within the variants, you learn how to automatically recognise license plate numbers, how to program for embedded systems or how to process and analyse large amounts of data in the cloud.

As part of the curriculum, you will work in a small team with fellow students on a large software project, developing software for a company to tackle a socially or economically relevant issue. Examples of such projects include programming a drone that can independently survey a commercial greenhouse or developing a scheduling application for a hospital.

You will start your third year with a minor, which is aimed at broadening your knowledge or preparing you for a Master’s programme. It is also possible to do the minor at a different university in the Netherlands or abroad.

The degree programme is rounded off with the Research Project. This project is carried out individually at TU Delft and involves research into a subject related to computer science. For example, this could involve implementing a new algorithm and the necessary experimental tools to evaluate it against existing alternatives.

Are you interested? Join information events like open days, online trial studying or student for a day.