Electrical power conversion is essential for improving energy efficiency and harvesting renewable energy.

Electricity is the most flexible and efficient source of energy to power mankind. If we improve the exploitation of sustainable energy sources, electricity is sure to play a leading role throughout the foreseeable future.

In the decades to come, a revolution will unfold in the generation and delivery of electrical power, driven by the large scale introduction of renewable and distributed power generation, the need for environmentally-friendly and sustainable components and the liberalisation of the energy markets. Electrical power engineers are needed in order to design new components with an eye towards sustainable materials and efficient conversion processes, as well as to integrate them into a smart and adaptable electricity infrastructure.

If you are interested in getting an in-depth understanding of the challenges that electrical engineers must overcome, you must join this track. The programme covers a wide range of issues, including renewable energy, smart grids, environmentally friendly material technologies, the decentralisation of power generation, power-systems operations, power electronics and electrical machines. The Department of Electrical Sustainable Energy will provide you with a number of outstanding research facilities, including the High-Voltage Laboratory, the Sustainable Energy Laboratory: DENlab, a Real-Time Digital Simulator and the Power Processing (Electrical Machines and Electronic Conversion) Laboratory. The programme starts with several compulsory courses that provide you with the basics of Electrical Power Engineering. During the second semester of the first year, you can choose an in-depth specialisation based on the profiles suggested below.

Programme
The Master of Science programme in Electrical Engineering at TU Delft offers the track: Electrical Power Engineering.
Elisabeth Vandeventer (France)

I am very interested in the world of electricity and the electrical network and that's why I decided to do a MSc in Electrical Power Engineering. I moved to the Netherlands two years ago, after I finished my Bachelor's degree in Paris. I was eager to study at TU Delft as the university is known to be one of the best technical universities in Europe. The MSc track Electrical Power Engineering exceeded my expectations since I really enjoyed the possibility to orientate myself in so many directions. You can really make your education your own by choosing exactly the courses that interests you the most. Therefore, my advice for new students of the EPE track would be: have a look at all the available courses beforehand, to make sure you don't miss out on a course that could have been very interesting for you. Personally, I very much enjoyed the courses in the High Voltage Lab because this is such an impressive building and it is quite unique that students are allowed to use it. I would really recommend this MSc track to other students, as the career opportunities are extensive. Recently, I started a traineeship at Alliander, a large Dutch energy network company. I feel in control of my own career and future and my personal development opportunities are close to endless. I am truly enjoying it!
Career prospects

Career opportunities for Electrical Power Engineers are exceptionally good, both in the Netherlands and abroad. Graduates can choose from a number of career paths, with attractive positions open to starting engineers in the areas of product design, consultancy and research. At higher levels, electrical power engineers often move into management positions. Electrical power engineers are found in larger companies (including distribution and transmission system operators), as well as in such prominent firms as Siemens, ALSTOM, ABB, Shell and Philips. They also find employment in research institutes (e.g. TNO and ECN), hightech companies and consultancy firms (e.g. KEMA). Some graduates choose to continue their education and pursue doctoral studies.

Dr Pavol Bauer, DC Systems & Storage

I’m Pavol Bauer head of the DC systems and Storage group (DC&S). We investigate system integration of renewable energy sources and energy storage in DC networks and systems and future DC transmission grid. Examples include exciting applications such as smart cities with DC micro-grids and renewable energy sources such as solar and wind energy and energy storage in the form of electric vehicles. The integration of renewable energy via DC Systems & Storage DC networks offers lower cost and higher efficiency as most of the sources and loads are having DC character. Charging electric vehicles directly from photovoltaic energy, the impact of E-mobility on the grid and solutions for contactless charging (stationary and on road) of electric vehicles are solutions for smart cities of the future. Storage plays an important role in future smart cities in the form of electric vehicles but also beyond. Understanding different storage options and their behaviour is essential for the system integration of renewable sources. Future DC transmission HVDC grids are also investigated. The DC&S laboratory has a scaled setup of a HVDC grid controlled by a real time simulator (Opal RT). HVDC power conversion technology and control of systems e.g. with wind energy are here experimentally tested and verified. High Voltage diagnostics & monitoring and High Voltage DC Materials & Components are also investigated and experimentally tested in HV the laboratory. The DC&S group is well connected to the industry with a large number of national and international research projects, which offer students possibility to join the research team and contribute to a future sustainable development.
International applicants
To be considered for admission to an MSc programme you will need to meet TU Delft’s general admission requirements.

1. A University Bachelor’s degree (or proof that you have nearly completed a Bachelor’s programme) in a main subject closely related to the MSc programme to which you are applying, with good grades on the key courses.
2. A BSc Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of at least 75% of the scale maximum.
3. Proof of English language proficiency. A TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) with an overall Band score of at least 90 and a minimum score of 21 for each section. Please note that we only accept the TOEFL internet-based test.
An IELTS (academic version) with an overall Band score of at least 6.5 and a minimum of 6.0 for each section.
Or proof that you have passed the University of Cambridge ‘Certificate of Proficiency in English’ with a minimum grade B or the University of Cambridge ‘Certificate in Advanced English’

For international students, the application period starts October 1 and closes at April 1. To start an MSc application, please complete the online application and pay the refundable application fee of € 100. Next, you will receive an email with the link to upload the required documents.

Introduction week
All international students will be welcomed with the award-winning introduction programme. The introduction consists of a variety of workshops and projects, during which you will get to know other international students, visit the highlights of Delft and learn the ins and outs of the TU Delft campus.

After this very interesting and fun week, you will be introduced to the EEMCS faculty. During the Master Kick Off, you will receive helpful information about the Dutch education system and meet the fellow students from your programme in a variety of social and educational activities.