

## Study with us

# About your course

### Courses covered

| Code    | Title   |
|---------|---|
| PECIVM  | MSc Civil Engineering<br>MSc Civil Engineering (Sandwich) |
| PECIVME | MSc Civil Engineering with Advanced Research              |

You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

### Important points

- The University of Hertfordshire has over 60 years' experience of teaching engineering, we have long-established links with the industry. Our links with businesses ensure that our courses are tailored to meet the needs of employers.
- A compensated pass cannot be awarded for the Individual Project which must be included in the calculation of degree classification.
- The MSc placement award offers the opportunity for students to undertake a period of industrial placement, and so develop their understanding and skills within a professional environment. In order to be eligible for a placement, students must normally have studied 120 credits, and achieved a pass in the first attempt at the first 60 credits. All students who have become eligible for a placement will be issued a statement of eligibility from the Department of Engineering. Students who have not met these progression requirements, including those with outstanding deferrals from the first attempt at their first 60 credits, will normally be transferred from the sandwich course to the corresponding 2-year 'with Advanced Research' course.
- Although the responsibility for finding a placement is with students, our Careers and Employment Service maintains links with a wide variety of employers who offer placement opportunities and organise special training sessions to help you secure a placement, from job application to the interview. Optional one-to-one consultations are also available.

### Academic Year

#### *Academic Year 2023 – 2024*

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters (A, B and C). Semester A and B are made up of teaching weeks followed by exams, where applicable (the re-sit period falls within Semester C). Semester C is normally used for final dissertations and projects.

- Semester A runs from Monday 25 September 2023 to Friday 19 January 2024
- Semester B runs from Monday 22 January 2024 to Friday 10 May 2024
- Semester C runs from Monday 13 May 2024 to Friday 6 September 2024

## Additional expenses

| Description   | Year | Mandatory/<br>Optional | Estimated cost   |
|---|------|------------------------|--|
| Having your own laptop to support your academic studies is highly recommended. Please see: <a href="https://ask.herts.ac.uk/buying-a-computer-for-uni">https://ask.herts.ac.uk/buying-a-computer-for-uni</a>  | 1, 2 | Optional               | From £400  |
| Texts to support the curriculum. Postgraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available in the Learning Resource Centre either as ebooks or printed material. Please note that availability of printed material may be limited so students may wish to purchase their own copies. | 1, 2 | Optional               | The average price of a recommended text is £50, although you may be able to buy second-hand copies.  |
| Placement year  | 2    | Optional               | During your placement year, you may incur additional costs i.e. travel and accommodation. The exact value of these costs will depend on where your placement is located. |
| Field Trips   | 1, 2 | Optional               | £15-50   |
| No additional expenses have been specified for this course.   |      |                        |  |