FAQ: MSc renewal transition rules (v080524)

Q: Can I take any course I want in 2024/2025 if I've missed/failed a course this year?

No, the transition rules tell you which course you need to complete in 2024/2025 if you haven't completed any of the compulsory courses before August 2024.

Q: Are there courses that I do not have to follow in 2023/2024 because they are not offered in 2024/2025?

Most courses have an equivalent course that you need to follow if you haven't completed it in 2023/2024. Some courses do not have an equivalent. If you miss those courses this year, you will have to make up for the missing EC in the elective space. This could lead to a study delay and therefore we advise you to complete the courses of your programme in 2023/2024.

Q: Are we allowed to drop courses this year to take their equivalent next year?

You are allowed to drop courses to follow their equivalents next year. Please note that this may cause a study delay.

Q: Are components of courses we followed in 2023/2024 valid next year?

Due to the change in content and form of the equivalent courses in 2024/2025, the grades for course components are not valid anymore if you haven't completed the course. Students are advised to complete all components and finish the course in the academic year of 2023-2024 to obtain EC for the course. An exception is made for the ACD project. For courses with a written exam in 2023/2024, two additional opportunities will be organised in 2024/2025. These written exams will be organised in the same exam period as they are planned in 2023-2024.

Q: If I have missed a complete semester in 2023/2024 (or only followed a few courses), can I follow the semester in 2024/2025?

For February students, a programme is composed which you can find in the overview of documents for transition rules for your MSc programme on the student portal.

If however, you have missed (most) of the Fall semester in 2023/2024, we advise you to contact our academic counsellors at academiccounsellors-ide@tudelft.nl. Each course has an equivalent in the new programme as described in the document with transition rules. The academic counsellors can help you make a planning.

Q: Next year there are only 5 EC courses offered, what do I follow when I only need to take 2 or 3 EC?

Most of our faculty electives are 5 EC courses and you can still follow them. If however, you do not want to complete more EC than that you have to, there are a few electives offered in our faculty that are worth 1, 2 or 3 EC and you can also take electives from other faculties or universities.

Q: Are there electives all year long and are the same electives offered in the Fall and Spring semesters?

There will be electives all year long, but the offer of electives in both semesters differ. Most faculty electives are offered in the Fall semester, while most programme electives are offered in Spring semester. As an IDE MSc student, you can follow the programme electives of the other programmes as well. These will count as faculty electives and not as part of your compulsory exam programme.

Q: Is the graduation semester fixed in semester 4?

No, you can still start your graduation project anytime of the year.

Q: Do we know which electives will be offered?

We are working on an overview of all electives that will be offered and these will be communicated to you prior to the registration dates of April 2024.

Q: Will there be a tool to calculate the EC as we had for the BSc revision?

We are working on developing a tool that can help you keep track of the compulsory courses you need to follow and the number of EC for electives. You will be informed when the tool is ready.