

Course Registration & Credits Rules

A **minimum of 4 credits** must be acquired during the first year of your PhD in order to pass the candidacy exam. Please note that approval from your PhD advisor(s) is mandatory for each course you wish to follow.

Note: Potential transferable skills course credits are granted only after candidacy examination.

By the end of your PhD in the EDMI program, you must have obtained a minimum of **12 credits** following these criteria:

- **At least 4 credits** from **EDMI courses**

For the remaining credits:

- **Unlimited number of credits** from any other EPFL doctoral program courses
- **Maximum of 4 credits** from any EPFL master courses (except lab courses)
- **Maximum of 4 credits** from external courses
- **Maximum of 4 credits** from PhD transferable skills courses

EDMI course book:

https://edu.epfl.ch/studyplan/en/doctoral_school/microsystems-and-microelectronics

EPFL courses for PhD students:

<https://www.epfl.ch/education/phd/doctoral-studies-structure/doctoral-courses/>

How to register to a course?

⇒ **For EPFL Courses**

Once you have received the approval (verbal is sufficient) from your Thesis Director(s), you can register yourself for the course on IS-Academia. Courses also have to be listed in the Annual Progress Report.

IS Academia registration guidelines: (Click on the red box in the upper right corner to Login)

https://support.epfl.ch/epfl?id=epfl_kb_article_view&sys_kb_id=a3f4be2fdb6bbc41f32c14c22961944

Important: Course registration is not possible between June 15th and 30th

⇒ **For external Courses**

External courses (non-EPFL) such as summer or winter schools, MEAD, FRSM or Europractice courses, etc. can be converted into credits under certain conditions.

Before registering to any external course, once you have received the approval from your Thesis Director(s), you are required to send an email with the name of the course, its detailed description, name of the lecturers, location, schedule and type of examination to the EDMI Office, **at least one month before the course**. The doctoral commission will use this information to validate and grant credits granted.

Important: only courses **with an examination** will be considered.

Once the course has been approved, registration in IS Academia will be done by the EDMI office. A course diploma/certificate will be requested to deliver the credits.