

# Name Change Engineering Doctorate degree (EngD)

## PDEng becomes EngD

Up to 1 January 2004, the degree of MTD (Master of Technological Design) was awarded upon successful finalization of one of the programmes. After this date, candidates received the degree PDEng (Professional Doctorate in Engineering).

As of 1 September 2022, all candidates that successfully finalise one of the programmes are awarded the degree Engineering Doctorate (abbreviated EngD, to be placed behind the surname). These degrees (MTD, PDEng, and EngD) all refer to post-master academic programmes.

The reason for the most recent name change is that the universities of applied sciences in the Netherlands are starting with Professional Doctorate (PD) trajectories. Therefore, we want to avoid confusion between those trajectories and our programmes at academic level.

EngD is used as a degree already in the United Kingdom for programmes resembling the Dutch programmes. The national associations for both programmes (AEngD and

4TU.SAI) have been affiliated members since 2012. It has been agreed that EngD and PDEng are on the same level.

Only the name of the degree changes; the contents of the programmes are not affected. Alumni with an MTD or PDEng diploma are free to use the EngD degree as of 1 September 2022.



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