

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

International Development Studies : sustainability, participation, innovation (IDS) 2nd year

Master in Geography, regional planning, environment, development



Duration
1 year



Component
Institut
d'Urbanisme et
de Géographie
Alpine (IUGA)



**Language(s) of
instruction**
English

Presentation

Sustainable development requires innovative strategies, new conceptual and practical tools and holistic policies. Training provides a theoretical, empirical and practical understanding of global social, economic and environmental changes, providing students with the skills and knowledge needed to promote sustainable local development in the context of globalization. This is an innovative approach comparing innovations from the South and the North, while focusing on the global circulation of development strategies

This program is designed for students with a strong background in social sciences (e.g. Geography, Regional Planning, Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, International Relations, Development, etc.) and an interest in addressing development issues critically. A general introduction to international theories, debates and politics on 'development' will form the basis for addressing major challenges to sustainable local development from theory to practice. Multi-level case studies in Africa, South-East Asia, Latin America, Pacific, Indian Ocean and Europe will be used to discuss conceptual, practical and ethical issues of contemporary development programs and projects in relevant fields, such as poverty reduction, natural resource management, transformative social innovation, community based resource management and disaster risk reduction.

The program consists of nine interactive courses followed by an internship within a host organization and the writing of a master dissertation.

For more information, [see](#) as well the IDS website

International education : Internationally-oriented programmes

International dimension

International teaching staff

Organisation

Abroad internship : In France or abroad


Admission

Access conditions

Access to 2nd year is selective. Applicants should have a minimum qualification equivalent to four years of university studies (either four years of bachelor or three years of bachelor plus one year at masters level) in social sciences (e.g. geography, regional planning, anthropology, economics, political sciences, international relations, development studies)


Public continuing education : You are in charge of continuing education :

- if you resume your studies after 2 years of interruption of studies
- or if you followed training under the continuous training regime one of the previous 2 years
- or if you are an employee, job seeker, self-employed


If you do not have the diploma required to integrate the training, you can undertake  a validation of personal and professional achievements (VAPP)

Candidature / Application

Candidates shall apply via the online application platform of Grenoble Alpes University.

Direct link for foreign students :  <https://ecandidat.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/ecandidat/#!accueilView>

Once you created an account, please choose the field 'géographie et urbanisme', then the masters : GRE -M2 GEO. AMENAGEMENT ENVIRONNEMENT DEVELOPPEMENT-INTERNATIONAL DEV. STUDIES SUSTAINABILITY, PARTICIPATION, INNOV. PI

Please note that candidates coming from a country outside European Union belonging to the CEF (*Centres pour les études en France* / Centres for Studies in France) (Algeria, Argentina, Benin, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Gabon, Guinea, India, Ivory Coast, Japan, Lebanon, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Peru, Russia, Senegal, South Korea, Syria, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, United States of America, Vietnam) have to apply via Campus France ( <http://www.campusfrance.org/en>). The application to the CEF

procedure is not free but the cost covers the visa, at a lower rate than normal.

Non EU students are strongly encouraged to apply for the first session in order to have enough time to obtain their visa.

Applicants should have a minimum qualification equivalent to four years of university studies

Target

French and international students with a strong background in social sciences (e.g. Geography, Regional planning, Anthropology, Economics, Political science, International relations, Development etc) and an interest in addressing development issues critically.

Prerequisites

All applicants are expected to have a solid background in social sciences or working experience in development cooperation. As students must be able to read textbooks, understand lectures, take part in classroom discussions and undertake written work in English, English B2 (upper intermediate) language proficiency has to be shown by one of the following : TOEFL score of at least 87 (internet based) IELTS score of at least 5.5 (internet based) Cambridge/ Oxford Advanced Certificate of Proficiency A degree from a university where English is the language of instruction. French students are legally exempted from these proficiency certificates. Their English language knowledge will be evaluated by the admissions committee. Applications will be carefully evaluated by the admissions committee. The committee assesses the quality of each application compared to the other applications received.

Recommended prerequisites

Strong background in social sciences and/or working experience in the field of development cooperation

And after

Further studies

We actively support students wishing to continue with a PhD thesis.

Professional integration statistics

According to the 2014-2015 survey, 3 responding graduates are on the labour market (in employment + job seekers). Among them, 100% are in employment 30 months after their degree.

Sector(s)

Career opportunities : Our rapidly changing world has a growing need for professionals with international experience, able to formulate innovative policy proposals. The students will find employment in the fields of development cooperation and regional/local planning, within government departments and agencies, supranational and multilateral development organizations, non-profit organizations, as well as in the corporate sector.

Useful info

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Partner laboratories

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Course location(s) - City

📍 Grenoble

Campus

🏠 Grenoble - Vigny Musset

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<https://iuga.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/>

Master Géographie, aménagement,
environnement, développement

<https://master-gaed.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/master-gaed/>

Master in International Development Studies

<https://master-gaed.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/7-parcours/m2-ids/>

Program

Master 2nd year

Semester 9

	Nature	CM	TD	TP	Crédits
UE What development for whom ? Epistemology of development theories	Teaching Unit (UE)				3 credits
UE Politics of development	Teaching Unit (UE)				3 credits
UE Alleviating poverty and inequalities : theories, concepts and tools	Teaching Unit (UE)				6 credits
UE Facing environmental issues : theories, concepts and tools	Teaching Unit (UE)				6 credits
UE Enhancing economic sustainability : theories, concept and tools	Teaching Unit (UE)				6 credits
UE Participatory project management	Teaching Unit (UE)				3 credits
UE Research methodology	Teaching Unit (UE)		24h		3 credits
UE Transverse teaching of choice	Teaching Unit (UE)				3 credits
UE English ou Transverse teaching of choice	Teaching Unit (UE)		24h		3 credits

Semester 10

	Nature	CM	TD	TP	Crédits
UE When diversity becomes a problem : processes of 'othering' and building bridges	Teaching Unit (UE)				3 credits
UE Internship and master thesis writing	Teaching Unit (UE)		60h		24 credits
UE Preparation for entry into working life 2	Teaching Unit (UE)			20h	3 credits