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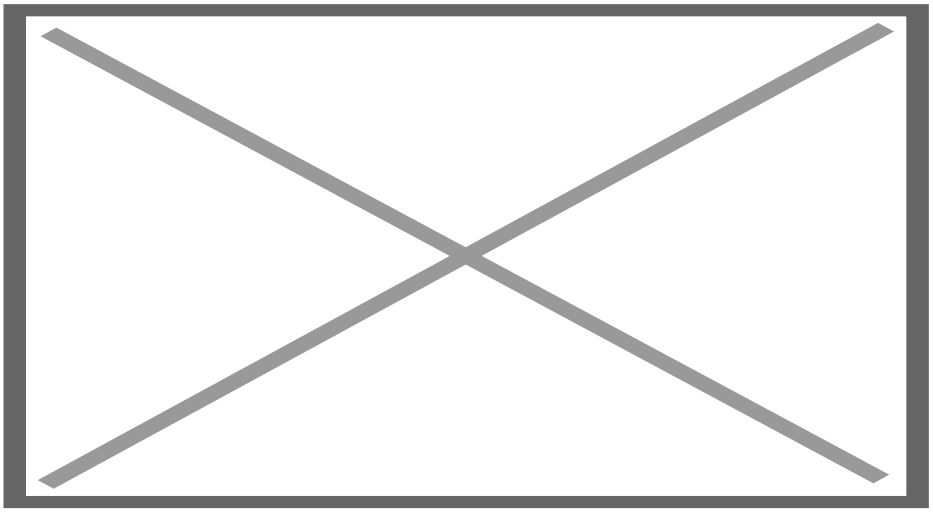
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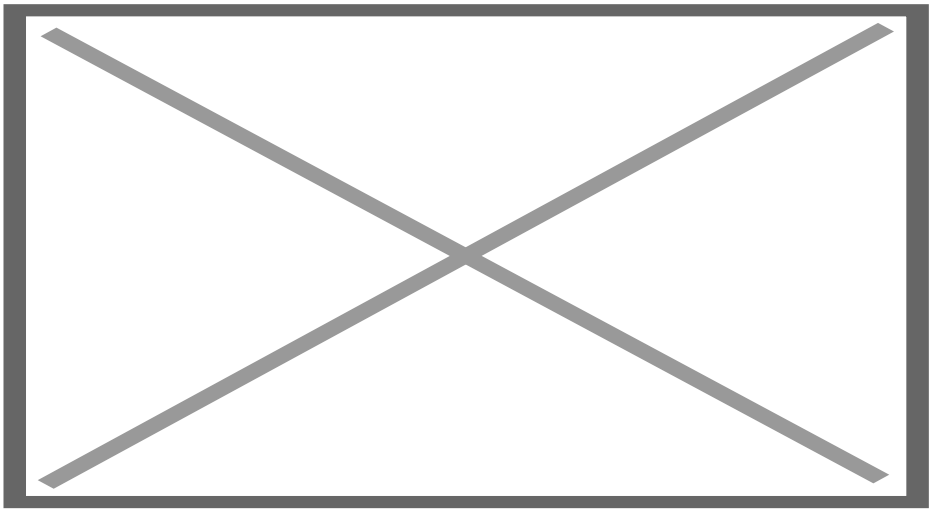
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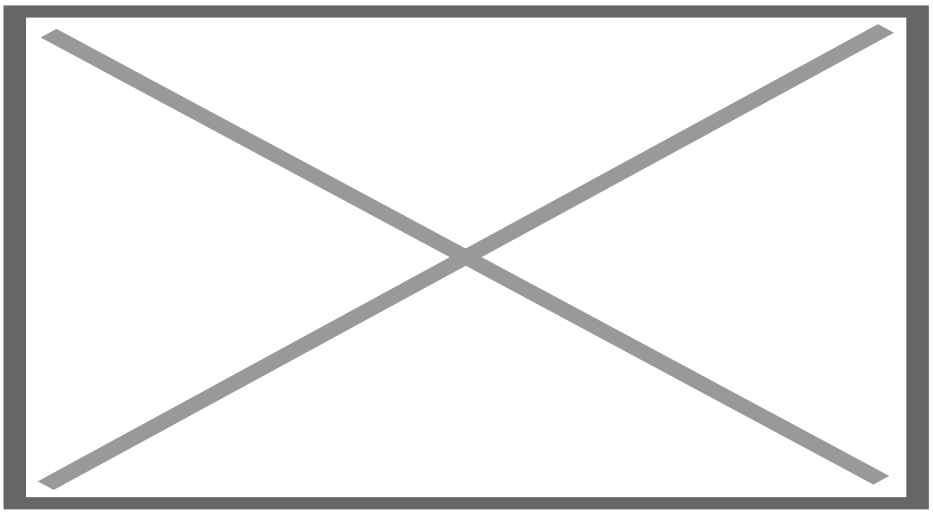
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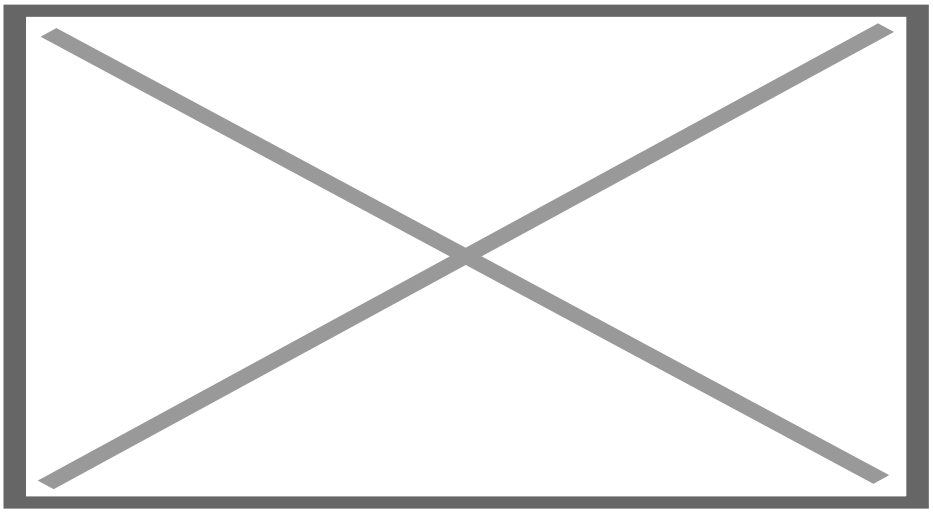
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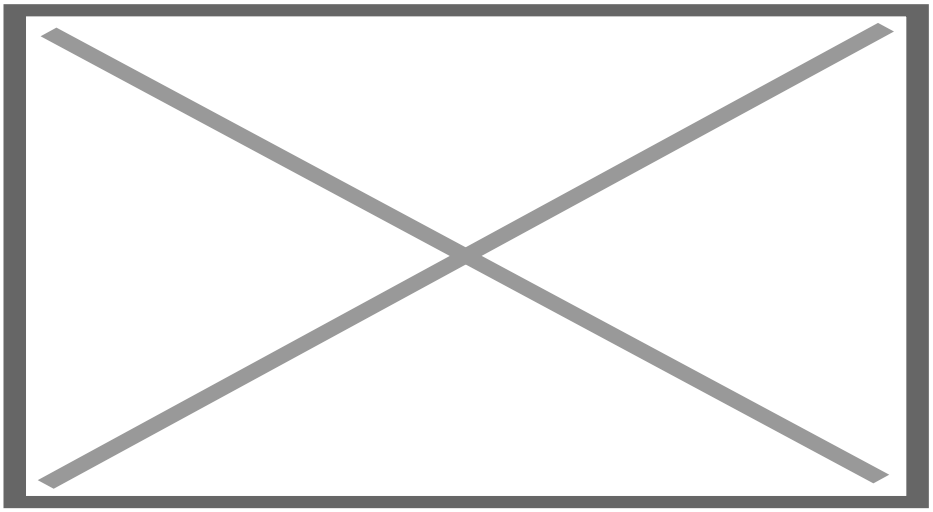
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Information

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Présentation

Skills

Mobilise highly specialised knowledge, some of which is at the forefront of knowledge in a field of work or study, as a basis for original thinking.

Identify the key elements of an ecological transition policy (complementarity of sociological, economic, legal and ecological approaches).

Conduct a reflective and detached analysis taking into account the challenges, issues and complexity of a request or situation in order to propose appropriate and/or innovative solutions in line with regulatory developments

Design, lead and monitor all operations relating to the implementation of a territorial development project that may require multidisciplinary skills in a collaborative framework and assume responsibility for them

Objectives

The M2 Governance of Transition, Ecology and Societies (GTES) aims to train project managers to create the conditions for a highly sustainable ecological transition through an interdisciplinary approach (particularly Ecology and Social Sciences) that is both theoretical and applied. Students are future professionals who will be confronted with an increasingly uncertain ‘Earth’ system, marked by irreversibilities (biodiversity, climate, inequalities, etc.). The M2 GTES helps to develop skills that facilitate consideration of the interactions between human and natural environments, in order to establish mutual co-

evolution. The approach is based on the acquisition of interdisciplinary knowledge (political science, heritage strategy, ecology, law and economics) and specific approaches (heritage auditing, project management). The teaching methods emphasise the confrontation of knowledge and collective work. The Master's programme can support students who wish to pursue a career in research.

Débouchés

Further Study Opportunities

PhD
Head of project/mission
Head of development
Research officer
Consultant
Organisation management
Project Manager

Calendar

Start of programme (indicative date)
07/09/2026
End of programme (indicative date)
01/03/2027
Admission

Admission Route

Economics
Political Science
Humanities
History
Geography and planning
Sociology
Philosophy
Social sciences
Earth Sciences

Capacity

Available Places

Target Audience and Entry Requirements

Have a Master's degree in social sciences (political science, sociology, economics, geography, etc.) or in life and earth sciences (biology, ecology, agronomy, etc.) and be interested in political ecology issues. Be able to understand technical issues related to the transition. The Master's programme only accepts a maximum of 20 students. We have to review many applications... Therefore, you must prepare yours carefully (cover letter, etc.). Your results from previous years will be taken into account. It is also important to highlight the consistency between your initial background and the objectives of the programme. You can highlight the courses you have taken, your experiences abroad, internships, and also any community involvement that is relevant to the Master's programme. Finally, it is important to clearly state your professional ambitions (subject areas, types of activities, etc.). The Master's programme is open to all students who meet the equivalency requirements set by Paris-Saclay (Decree No. 2016-672 of 25 May 2016 relating to the national Master's degree).

Période(s) de candidature

Inception Platform

From 21/04/2026 to 09/06/2026

Supporting documents

Compulsory supporting documents

Motivation letter.

List of the last 5 years of studies mentioning only the year of study, the institution, the overall average and the mention obtained.

All transcripts of the years / semesters validated since the high school diploma at the date of application.

Curriculum Vitae.

Detailed description and hourly volume of courses taken since the beginning of the university program.

Additional supporting documents

Referring contact information (compulsory for non-international applicants).

Certificate of French (compulsory for non-French speakers).

Level B2 : Non native french speakers, a knowledge certificate issued by the French Embassy or a French language center. Students holding a French diploma or a diploma instructed in French are exempt from that obligation

VAP file (obligatory for all persons requesting a valuation of the assets to enter the diploma).

Recommendation letters.

Document indicating the list of local M2 choices available here : https://urlz.fr/i3Lo.

Supporting documents :
- Residence permit stating the country of residence of the first country
- Or receipt of request stating the country of first asylum
- Or document from the UNHCR granting refugee status
- Or receipt of refugee status request delivered in France
- Or residence permit stating the refugee status delivered in France
- Or document stating subsidiary protection in France or abroad
- Or document stating temporary protection in France or abroad.

Programme

Subjects	ECTS	Semester	Lecture	directed study	practical class	Lecture/directed study	Lecture/practical class	directed study/practical class	d
Démocratie, transition, durabilité	2	Semestre 1	21						
Charger le détail									
Décisions publiques et environnement	2	Semestre 1	18						
Charger le détail									
Savoirs, incertitudes et perspectives en matière d'écologie	2	Semestre 1	18						
Charger le détail									

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Sociologie de l'alimentation durable	1.5	Semestre 1	18						
Charger le détail									

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L'économique et le vivant ECOVIV	1.5	Semestre 1	18						
Charger le détail									
Ecologie	1.5	Semestre 1	18						
Charger le détail									
Concertation et Délibération	1.5	Semestre 1	18						
Charger le détail									
Environmental sociology	1.5	Semester 1	18						
Charger le détail									

Subjects	ECTS	Semester	Lecture	directed study	practical class	Lecture/directed study	Lecture/practical class	directed study/practical class
Mobilisations. Construire la décision publique	1.5	Semestre 1	18					
Charger le détail								
International environmental negotiations	1.5	Semestre 1	18					
Charger le détail								
Droit de l'environnement et du vivant	1.5	Semestre 1	18					
Charger le détail								
Actions publiques territoriales et environnement	1.5	Semestre 1	18					
Charger le détail								

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Outils et pratiques pour la durabilité : gestion de projet	4	Semestre 1	6		24
Charger le détail					
Médiation multimédia : Concertation et Délibération (TD)	1.5	Semestre 1	6		12
Charger le détail					
Terrains	1.5	Semestre 1			45
Charger le détail					
Ingénierie et Services écologiques	2	Semestre 1			60
Charger le détail					
Approche patrimoniale de la gestion du vivant : concepts, méthodes et procédures - Une formation à la stratégie	2	Semestre 1	6		12
Charger le détail					
Anglais	1.5	Semestre 1			17
Charger le détail					

Subjects	ECTS	Semester	Lecture	directed study	practical class	Lecture/directed study	Lecture/practical class	directed study/practical class	distan learni cour
Conduite de projet de recherche	30	Semestre 2							
Charger le détail									

Teaching Location(s)

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Academic Partner(s)

Sciences Po Saint Germain en Laye ; Laboratoire Printemps (UVSQ - CNRS UMR 8085); Laboratoire Écologie, Systématique et Évolution à l'Université Paris Saclay

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