



MASTER 2

DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS INITIAL TRAINING



OBJECTIVES

The aim of the Master Development Economics is to train students into highly qualified analysts of economic development issues. Its purpose is to answer the growing demand for experts capable of addressing the challenges of economic development, evaluating the economic policies of developing countries and analyzing the economic relations between unequally developed countries. The Master program offers rigorous training in analytical and quantitative economic methods. Its goal is indeed to equip talented students with a solid foundation for applied research. The program is however geared to both future academics and future practitioners in the field of development economics and international economics.

The program combines the benefits of "Grandes Ecoles" training (small numbers, intensive teaching) and the strengths of the University (links to research activities, contact with the best experts...).

MAIN CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students can begin their professional career when they get the Master degree, or decide to continue in the Ph.D program. The Ph.D program is particularly relevant for students intending to have top level careers in international organization or academic careers. Typical positions held by graduates are research analyst positions, international consultancy positions and international expert/technical assistant positions. Employers include research centers, country risk evaluation departments in banks or multinational firms, local development agencies, French cooperation agencies; and international organizations.

THE SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants have to follow the standard administrative application procedure of University Paris 1. This is to be done online (early Spring for Foreign students and May/June for those already enrolled in French programs). The application is then screened through a selective admission process by the Master's administration. Candidates must include in their application a motivation letter and a two page research project proposal for the Master thesis.

MAIN PARTNERS

The program benefits from close links with several French and international actors of international cooperation such as the French development agency, the OECD and the World Bank. It also organizes regular research events with the CERDI in Clermont-Ferrand or the Graduate Institute in Geneva. The Master teaching program hosts some students selected in a joint training with the School of Economics of Fudan University in China.

MAIN COURSES

Teaching is exclusively in English. In addition to the Master thesis seminar, the program contains:

Fundamental and Methodological Courses :

Development theory
Firm performance and development

Methods in empirical development economics

Econometrics and impact evaluation

Specialisation Courses :

Equity, Poverty and Development

Human capital and development: education and health policies

Institutions, governance and development

Trade policy, Inequality and Growth

Population, Migration and Development

Globalisation and development strategies

Transfers of technology

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Both French and international candidates who have completed a Master 1 or equivalent are considered for admission. Applicants must demonstrate competence in economics and quantitative analysis and the potential for learning the analytical and quantitative tools.

The Master program has course prerequisites. The prerequisite course requirements are one Master 1 level university level course in each of the following: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Econometrics.

THE DISSERTATION

Students select a research topic in relation with their professional project and choose a tutor among the Master's professors. Discussions and progress follow up are organized regularly within the Master seminar.

Students defend their thesis in front of a committee set by the director of the Master.

THE INTERNSHIP

An internship is optional and will not provide additional credits.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- ▶ Course duration: 261 hours, September till May.
- ▶ Location of teaching: Maison des Sciences Economiques.



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