MASTER'S DEGREE IN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

UNIVERSITÉ PSL

The "Institutions, Organizations, Economy and Society" Master's degree program (major in Economic and Social Sciences) is the result of a collaboration between Dauphine – PSL and Ecole nationale supérieure des Mines de Paris – PSL. This multidisciplinary program, rooted in a "learn by doing" approach to research, is designed to train a new generation of researchers and experts, able to provide fresh insight into the policies, institutions, organizations that play a critical role in the contemporary economy. This master's degree is part of PSL's graduate program in Social Sciences.

MAIN ASSETS

— **A core curriculum** designed and taught by teams of two or three instructors from several disciplines (sociology and economics, economics and law, management and history, etc.).
— **Apprenticeship in investigative methods**: courses in epistemology, a wide range of practicums in statistics, the use of digital technologies, possible introduction to the processing of archival and geographical data, compulsory course of introduction to data science.
— **Immersion in emerging research**: access to the array of seminars available at the research laboratories of Dauphine – PSL, the Ecole nationale supérieure des Mines de Paris – PSL and the EHESS.
— **Integration into international research networks**: bilingual teaching, English courses for social science research, hosting of researchers from foreign institutions.
— **The creation of a collaborative working environment by and for students** throughout the year: a collaborative platform, discussion groups on individual work and support for collective projects.
— **Personalized mentoring** by members of the teaching staff and their colleagues: ongoing support for students as they design and carry out their theses in M1 and M2; guidance and support in the search for internships with research institutions, in France and abroad.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The program includes a common core curriculum in M1. In Master's year 2, beside the master's program, students who have a particular interest in management research can attend the DU Research in management. The instruction, given in French and English, combines contributions from the economic and social sciences (economics, management, sociology and political science, and, to a lesser extent, anthropology, geography and history). The courses focus on concepts and key issues and introduce students to the investigative methods (particularly statistical) they will need in order to design and carry out scientific research.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

— The program provides a foundation for a scientific career in higher education or research. Students can capitalize on the reputation of Dauphine – PSL, the Ecole nationale supérieure des Mines de Paris – PSL and the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) to gain entrée to international research networks and pursue a doctorate.
— The master's degree also trains managers in the necessary scientific mindset to meet the organizational and political challenges confronting both contemporary society and their organizations.

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CURRICULUM

Master's Year 1 (M1; 60 ECTS)

1 track

Institutions, organizations, economy & society

— Five mandatory courses:
- Comparative methods in the social sciences of the economy
- States, institutions and the construction of markets
- Firms, organizations and markets
- Work, capital and accumulation
- Law and regulation of the economy

— Management (capacity to use management data and initiation to research in management)
— Master Class taught by guest researchers
— A choice of three research seminars
— A choice of three methodology classes
— Preparation for certification in English (with an objective of 90/120 on the TOEFL or equivalent)
— Research thesis

Master's Year 2 (M2; 60 ECTS)

1 track, with the possibility to follow DU Research in management

Institutions, economy & society

— Four mandatory courses:
- Debt and money institutions
- Financialization and valuation
- Environment, Economics, Capitalism
- Economic spaces, globalization and territories

— English for social sciences
— A choice of two research seminars
— A choice of two methodology classes
— One optional course (méthods, research seminar or professional skills)

— M2 research thesis

TEACHING

In both M1 and M2, the conceptual, thematic and methodology courses assume preparatory work of three to five hours per hour of teaching, so that the bulk of class time can be devoted to discussion, in accordance with the principle of a flipped classroom. Students must also take part in group educational activities (reading groups, discussions of research in progress, hosting of invited researchers, etc.).

LOCATION

Classes are held in the heart of Paris on the campuses of the participating PSL institutions:
— **Dauphine-PSL :** Place du Maréchal de Lattre de Tassigny, 75016 Paris
— **Mines Paris -PSL :** 60, boulevard Saint-Michel, 75006 Paris
And on the campuses of EHESS : 48, boulevard Jourdan, 75014 Paris, and Campus Condorcet, (North of Paris)

ADMISSIONS

Prerequisites

— **Master's Year 1:** Students must hold at least a bachelor's degree in the fields of economics or other social sciences (geography, history, political science, sociology), management or engineering (including environmental science).
At a minimum, candidates for M1 will have taken an introduction to economics and an introduction to scientific research and methodology, and will have an adequate level of English in order to do the reading and follow classroom teaching given in English.

— **Master's Year 2**: Students must hold at least a master's 1 degree in the fields of economics, management or social science (geography, history, political science, sociology). Candidates for M2 will have taken standard coursework in economics and statistics and will have an adequate level of English in order to do the reading and follow classroom teaching given in English.

Selection process

Based on an online application and interview.

DIPLOMA DELIVERED

National Master's degree conferred by Université PSL and prepared at Dauphine–PSL.

More information
psl.eu/en/education/masters-degree-institutions-organizations-economics-and-society

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