### MASTER'S: CHINESE STUDIES

#### **Presentation**

The Master's programme in Chinese Studies includes theory-based, methodology-based and applied course units.

It is based in equal measure on research activity and experience of the professional context.

This Master's is geared towards research-oriented professions and draws primarily on the scientific output of the team of teaching staff and university lecturer-researchers who contribute to the programme.

# **Objectives**

Understand contemporary China and acquire a high standard of linguistic skill. This Master's programme in Chinese Studies aims to increase students' understanding of contemporary China and to provide them with a sophisticated level of linguistic skill.

The objectives are three-fold. The programme aims to:

- \* offer students who have an undergraduate *Licence* degree in Chinese an essential complement to their learning in Chinese language and civilisation thus far, without which further vocational training might not be possible;
- \* offer an introduction to research skills, with specialised seminar units and classes on research methodology, to enable students better define the direction and tools of their research and to develop a capacity for autonomous critical reflection;
- \* encourage students to acquire a sophisticated understanding of Chinese culture in order to help them build their specialism, which will be necessary in their future employment.

## Joint degree establishments and partnerships

#### **Training content**

Two years of study: Master 1 (M1) and Master 2 (M2) Gain an introduction to contemporary China.

Emphasis is placed on putting into perspective the greatest challenges currently facing China, which include: China's unsustainable growth model, the accelerated ageing and so-called masculinisation of the population, the increasing pace of urbanisation. Other topics covered include the question of protecting the environment in China and the rise of political and social protest.

#### In a nutshell...

**Duration:** 

year(s)

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**Education level:** 

There are multiple approaches, which can be addressed from a range of angles: economics, demographics, sociology, anthropology, political science, literature, and so on. Acquire sophisticated linguistic skill.

Alongside lectures and seminar units on Chinese civilisation, the Master's also comprises a substantial volume of teaching hours dedicated to modern Chinese language (written and oral). Lastly, there are one-off conferences in addition to the course units. Students also come together for study days and colloquiums organised by the research centre that backs this programme of study.

Master 1: First year of two-year Master's programme

- \* Course units (lectures and seminars) look at the economy and demographics in China, on the flux of urban areas and current literary trends.
- \* Two seminar units are dedicated to cross-disciplinary interrogations, looking beyond China to the wider area of East Asia.
- \* Written and oral language skills are developed through Chinese language classes.

Master 2: Second year of two-year Master's programme

- \* Course units (lectures and seminars) look at the relationship between power and society in contemporary China and offer a practical introduction to research methodologies in the field of Chinese Studies.
- \* There is a cross-disciplinary seminar unit on East Asia.
- \* Chinese language classes are applied to research and consulting, and the summary of research findings. There is also an introduction to interpreting.

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Dissertation

The dissertation must be between 150 and 200 pages long.

#### **Admissions**

Find information regarding enrolment procedures and the supporting documents to be provided, according to your profile and your level of studies:

- \* Independent Stay
- \* Exchange Programme

#### **Identifier ROME**