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International master's program in agricultural



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## PRESENTATION OF THE TRAINING

# Objectives of the training program

The research-oriented International Master's program in agricultural sciences (IMAS) is at the core of the Implanteus Graduate school (GS), which has been designed in partnership with the Regional INRAE Center to address the challenge of adapting mediterranean agricultural systems for fruit and vegetable production to the constraints of global change all while fostering high nutritional quality.

The IMAS program includes a curriculum in English combining plant and environmental sciences, food chemistry, food processing, microbiology, human nutrition and consumer science.

# Required competences and skills

- Fundamental training in the basics in chemistry, biochemistry and/or biology.
- A strong motivation to learn outside your initial disciplinary field through the multidisciplinary teaching program proposed by the Graduate school.
- A good level in English. Candidates must be able to attend classes and seminars delivered in scientific English (oral + visual support).

# Conditions for admission

#### Admission to M1 level

A bachelor's degree in chemistry or biology, transcripts from the bachelor's curriculum, a letter of motivation, documents attesting to the level in English.

#### Admission to M2 level

An M1 level or a complete master's degree (or equivalent degree) in chemistry or biology, transcripts from the bachelor's and master's curricula, a letter of motivation, documents attesting to the level in English.

Regarding the level in English, the admission jury may decide a case-by-case evaluation (face-to-face or by phone).

### Application procedures

Depending on the country of residence, "Studies in France" procedure via the eponymous platform or application file to be sent by email. For more information, see:

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## Academic scholarship

Scope academic excellence scholarship available:

- Mistral scholarship (Avignon University)
- Eiffel scholarship
- New: Implanteus Scholarship 6000 euros / year



### International

The IMAS program has a strong international character as shown by:

- A systematic use of English in the teaching program.
- Support for outgoing mobility. Master's students will benefit from a dynamic policy encouraging their outgoing mobility during their internships. This policy will heavily rely on the dense global network of international partners of the Implanteus Graduate school.
- A strong involvement of international academic partners in the teaching program (through seminars and Summer schools) and in the hosting of Master's students for their research internships.

# Internships & project

- Completing their two internships in the research labs associated with the Graduate school (including international partners) with adequate financial support from Implanteus: grants for research internship 4 months (M1) and 6 months (M2) (~600euros/month) + mobility aids (~800€/month depending on the destination country).
- Developing a project in collaboration with the private sector and mentored by a socio-economic partner. Each year, proposals by M2 students will be validated and supported (e.g., to cover travel costs). Projects may deal with research, innovation and any topic at the science society interface.

# Training program master 1 & 2

#### **AXIS I**

Plant production in the Mediterranean context

- Plant breeding, plant health
- Genetic & environmental factors
- Water & soil resources, sustainability

#### **AXIS II**

Preservation, extraction, transformation and formulation of vegetable matter

- Innovation & sustainability in food processing
- Turning wastes into added-value products

#### **AXIS III**

Plant food, health, consumer's behavior

- · Contaminants, safety
- Nutritional benefits, micronutrients
- What determines consumption?

#### **AXIS IV**

Cross-disciplinary methods

- Statistics & data treatment
- Modeling, imaging, metabolomics
- Ethics, science society debate

# Professional perspectives

Support for professional insertion will be provided to IMAS students by:

- 1 Promoting student projects in collaboration with the private sector.
- 2 Involving the socio-economic partners in the following actions:
- Training (modules focused on R&D, tutored student projects).
- Hosting students for short periods in relation with their lab internships.
- Organizing Job Fairs and workshops for job placement.

## Targeted jobs

The IMAS program aims to train:

- Future researchers to promote the sustainable production, transformation and nutritional benefits of safe high-quality plant food.
- Future managers in innovation for the agrofood industry with an experience of research.

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Given the research orientation of the IMAS curriculum and the two internships in research labs for a total of 10 months, Master's students are naturally encouraged to consider pursuing a Doctoral diploma, in particular in the laboratories associated with the Graduate School and that are part of the Agricultural sciences & Sciences Doctoral School (ED536).



#### Partnership

INRAE regional center: 15 research laboratories and their international partners to welcome internship students / Technical centers and economic partners: CTCPA, CTIFL, GRAB, CRITT, Pôle Innov'Alliance, Givaudan...

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