

ENSAI

École nationale
supérieure d'architecture
Montpellier | La Réunion

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Mastère Spécialisé® [MS]

ARCHITECTURE AND CONTEMPORARY HERITAGE

ADVANTAGES

A UNESCO/UIA LABEL

ENSAM is the only European architecture school to be awarded this label for its teaching programmes.

20TH-CENTURY HERITAGE

A period-specific approach covering all types of programmes: public facilities, housing, religious architecture, civil engineering structures, industrial and military structures, etc.

PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

The students are invited to manage a project that forms the “central theme” of their training, represents a heritage “intervention” and meets a concrete demand.

AN INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK AND A SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

The aim of this MS is to encourage exchanges with Spain.

Certain territories and areas of work are selected abroad for their exemplary and specific nature that enables students to increase their knowledge.

An agreement with the University of San Sebastian provides the option of a joint degree with the University Master’s in “Rehabilitation, restoration and internal management of the built heritage and existing constructions”.

The strength of this partnership with Spain has led us to define a geographical area of study focussing on the Mediterranean basin and in particular the Occitania region and Spain, as well as Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco and the Lebanon.

SKILLS AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The graduates will possess the scientific knowledge and technical, operational and managerial skills necessary to understand, assess and handle the environmental challenges linked to urban sprawl, the densification of cities, and the reclaiming and re-appropriation of buildings with respect for the past and for conservation,

particularly when managing projects or searching for new models in the act of building.

The degrees are aimed at executive positions and the application of skills in ever-changing fields of the built environment (State property management reform, property cost control, ageing State-owned property, conversion, transformation, restoration of existing buildings, etc.).

These careers are mainly pursued in the sectors of architecture, building, real estate, engineering, town and country planning, and more specifically within the following entities :

- Local and regional authorities
- Private construction operators (developers, real estate groups)
- Specialist architecture firms
- Construction design offices specialising in heritage
- National and regional parks
- Heritage associations

PROGRAM

FIRST TWO SEMESTERS

Classes and project workshops that are structured into units and assessed. These intensive weeks on specific themes include construction site visits, work and exercises in real-life situations, and study trips in France and abroad, especially to San Sebastian and Valencia.

Based on the architectural heritage of a period running from 1830 to the 2nd half of the 20th century, several areas of work enable students to cover the following topics:

- edifices/works/buildings that are of remarkable value due to their architecture.
- complexes and groups of constructions, isolated or gathered together, which are of remarkable value to their architecture or their urban nature.

- sites : works created by humans or a combination of humans and nature, as well as identified areas of remarkable value
- the monographic approach to architectural and urban works as well as to architects
- the promotion/dissemination and labelling of “20th-century Heritage”

ALL tuition is COMPULSORY and not optional.

THIRD SEMESTER

- Writing up the Master’s Final Project or professional thesis
- Viva for the MFP
- Award of the degree [December].

WORK INTERNSHIP

A minimum of 4 months (which can begin in the 1st semester) based on an assignment relevant to the candidate’s career plans.

COURSE STRUCTURE

- **Course length** : 16 months (3 academic semesters), from September to December of the following year, at a rate of one week per month for the first 2 semesters.
- **Course location** : Montpellier ENSAM and San Sebastian (Spain) for workshop and study trips.
- Start date : **16th September 2019**

COURSE HOURS AND CREDITS

350 HOURS of classroom tuition [excluding Work Placement]

75 ECTS [European Credit Transfer System]

APPLICATION

This post-master’s course is aimed at:

- Academics with a master 2 or equivalent foreign qualification (five years of university studies) in the following areas: architecture, economics, geography, art history, history, engineering and landscape.
- Higher education graduates with a L3, bachelor or equivalent (three years of university studies) for candidates with at least three years’ professional experience in architecture or town planning, by exemption and in cases of accreditation of prior experiential learning.

REGISTRATION FEES

- €1500 for students on a first degree course having studied at a French National School of Architecture in 2017/2018 or 2018/2019,
- €3700 for students on a first degree course having undergone higher education in France or abroad in 2017/2018 or 2018/2019,
- €3700 for candidates pursuing personal higher education partly or completely financed by the candidate,
- €5600 for candidates pursuing higher education that is completely financed by an organization.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE

- Application (to be downloaded from the site) to be returned by **30 June 2019** to the Department of Research and Education
- Number of places: maximum of 25
- For candidates from non-French-speaking countries, a very good level of French is essential [Level C1]

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