

# EXCHANGE PROGRAMME STUDIES AND INTERNSHIP

# Montpellier SupAgro



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**BSc to PhD**

**Research**

**International Cooperation**

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**Agricultural Sciences**  
**Biological Sciences**  
**Agri-Food Science**  
**Environment**  
**Rural Management**

# Montpellier SupAgro - France

## ACADEMIC EXCHANGE 2020-2021

### GENERAL INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES

English: <https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/admissions/come-academic-exchange-programme>

French: <https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/venir-en-echange-academique>

## Montpellier SupAgro, a Prestigious School

Montpellier SupAgro is a French National Institute dedicated to further education, research, international scientific and technical cooperation and sustainable development *in Agriculture, Agri-Food Science, Environment and Rural Management*. The institute offers courses specifically dedicated to innovation in Mediterranean, tropical and sub-tropical issues.

- **1,700** students (**29%** from foreign countries)
- **88** academic staff and **345** external lecturers



Students benefit from **an outstanding scientific environment:**

- **MUSE, Montpellier University of Excellence:**  
Montpellier SupAgro is a member of MUSE, one of the world's most innovative scientific communities in three key fields: Agriculture, Environment and Health.
- **Agropolis International:**  
Montpellier SupAgro is a member of this Montpellier agronomic cluster, with 112 research units and 2,200 researchers in agriculture, food, environment and biodiversity.
- **The Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) Headquarters** setting in Montpellier fortifies the leadership position of Montpellier's agronomic research at a worldwide level.

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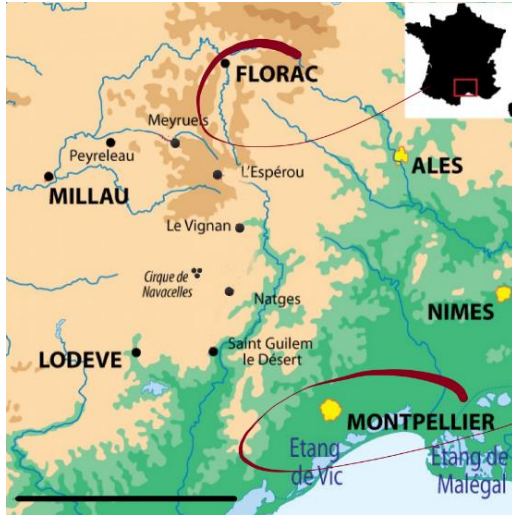
More information on the websites:

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/> (French)

## Campuses

Most of the courses take place on the campus of La Gaillarde or La Valette in the city of **Montpellier**, few on the campus of the city of **Florac** and 3 of them take place, according to the periods, in different cities of France.



## Academic Calendar

Jun	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
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### AUTUMN SEMESTER

French Summer Course	paying													
French Intensive Course	2 weeks - 1 ECTS													
French weekly Course	3 h /day - 2 ECTS													
English, German, Spanish	1,5 h /week - 2 ECTS													
Scientific courses (Tracks)	Depending on the Track													
Exams	During and at the end of each course of a Track													
Resit exams														

### SPRING SEMESTER

French Intensive Course	2 weeks - 1 ECTS													
French weekly Course	3 h /day - 1 ECTS													
English, German, Spanish	1,5 h /week - 1 ECTS													
Scientific courses (Tracks)	Depending on the Track													
Junior Research Lab	2 months - 8 ECTS													
Internship	2-4 months - 7 ECTS													
Exams	During and at the end of each course of a Track													
Resit exams														

### INTERNSHIP

Internship	2-3 months – 7 ECTS 5-6 months – 30 ECTS													
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- Each Track has its specific calendar. More information on Track Offer Charts from page 6.
- Internship can start at any time of the year and must last less than 6 months



## Course Offers, Internship and Junior Research Lab (JRL) for Exchange Students

Montpellier SupAgro offers courses in **French and English**.

From page 6, find information about the course offers for students in international mobility, for **Autumn semester, Spring semester and Full year mobility**.

From page 14, find information about the JRL and Internship.

Or consult:

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/admissions/come-academic-exchange-programme/> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/mobilite-academique-stage/venir-en-echange/> (French)



## Teaching Language

**French or English** according to the selected courses. For more information, see course offers attached.

## EU ECTS credits system : 1 Semester = 30 ECTS

Exchange students can validate all or part of these credits. The number of ECTS credits for each course is indicated on the Course Offers documents and on the application forms.

## Language Courses

### • Elective French Summer Courses - Please note! Fees are due.

We offer a French Summer Programs in July and/or August:

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/programs/langages-courses-summer-school/french-foreign-language-fle> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/langues/campus-dete/langue-culture> (French)

### • French Language Courses – Free of charge

Intensive French language courses, 2 weeks before the beginning of each semester, are followed by regular courses, the whole semester or year.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/programs/langages-courses-summer-school/french-foreign-language-fle> (English)

[www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/langues/francais-langue-etrangere-fle](https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/langues/francais-langue-etrangere-fle) (French)

### • Other Language Courses

Students can also choose to attend **free of charge** English, Spanish or German courses, subject to available places.



## Requirements for academic exchange

### • Bilateral Exchange Programs

Students are admitted through bilateral or multilateral exchange programs such as Erasmus+, Brafagri, Brafitec, Arfagri, Mexfitec and bilateral MOU.

### • Academic Level

Depending on the chosen tracks, students should show official evidence of completion of a minimum of 4 to 6 semesters of graduate studies before the beginning of their academic exchange. Please consult the specific information on each Track. The academic level and the prerequisites required will be taken into account in the analysis of the application files.



### • Language Level

Students must have a **B1/B2 level in French or in English**, depending on the selected courses (contact us). No language proficiency is required for an internship or for the Junior Research Lab.

## Application for academic exchange or Junior Research Lab (JRL)

Students should be **nominated by their home university**. Each nominated student will receive an email with a login/password for the completion of the **application form ONLINE**: ID-photo, ID-document, Transcript of records of higher education, Language certificates in French and/or English, Cover letter and Application form.

Deadline for application	Full Year or Autumn Semester	April 1th
	Spring Semester	October 15th

## Application for an Internship at Montpellier SupAgro

Find specific information in the last session of this document about the **Joint Research Units (UMR)** where an internship can be done under certain conditions.

## Exchange related information

### Health Insurance

Students who do not have an European Health Insurance Card will benefit from the French health insurance cover for the duration of their stay.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/getting-settled/prepare-your-arrival-montpellier-supagro> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/de-la-preparation-de-votre-arrivee-votre-accueil-1> (French)

### Liability Insurance

A liability insurance is compulsory and can be taken at their arrival in France.

### Visa for non-European Students

Visa VLSTS-Visa D allow student to benefit from French health insurance and housing allowance.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/getting-settled/prepare-your-arrival-montpellier-supagro> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/international/venir-etudier-montpellier-supagro/votre-service/preparer-votre-arrivee-montpellier> (French)

## Welcome Events and Administrative Tasks

The Students' Association provides services and **welcome activities** for incoming international students: Pick-up service at the airport or train station, Informal arrival celebration and other integration activities, ...

Each international student is matched with a local student (buddy) by a mentoring program managed by Montpellier SupAgro students.

Students receive help with **administrative procedures** such as visas, insurance, housing, bank account, ...

## Accommodation, Meals and Daily Life

### Accommodation and Meals

Once accepted, students can book a room or a bedsit in one of Montpellier SupAgro's **student residence halls**, which are situated near La Gaillarde campus. Students are free to choose another type of accommodation in town.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/student-life/accommodation> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/vie-etudiante/lieu-de-vie/hebergement> (French)



### Meals

Students can eat at the **campus restaurant** under the same conditions as the SupAgro students.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/student-life/living/dining> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/vie-etudiante/restauration> (French)

### Students with Special Needs

Montpellier SupAgro offers the infrastructure to welcome students and staff with disabilities.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/student-life/accessibility-and-disability> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/vie-etudiante/campus-dynamiques/accessibilite-et-handicap> (French)

### Student Guides

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/sites/supaagro/files/documents/2019/07/03/Le%20guide%202019-2020-Montpellier-SupAgro.pdf> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/sites/supaagro/files/documents/2018/07/10/Le%20guide%202018-2019%20Version%20finale.pdf> (French)

<https://languedoc-roussillon-universites.fr/images/Accueil-international/PDF/Guide-EI-2018-FR.pdf> (French)

## Extra-Curricular Activities

Exchange students have the opportunity to participate to a wide range of sports and extra-curricular activities offered by Montpellier SupAgro and/or organized by the Student's Association.

<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/student-life/dynamic-campus/student-associations> (English)

<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/vie-etudiante/campus-dynamiques/vie-associative> (French)



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**Course Offer 2020-2021**  
**for Incoming International Mobility**



## MONTPELLIER SUPAGRO 2020-2021

# AUTUMN SEMESTER TRACK OFFER

*Ctrl-Click on the link of the Track on which you would like more information*

Sept	Oct	Nov	Déc	Jan	Fév	Mars	Avr	Mai	Juin	Juil	Août	Sept
<a href="#">DOMINANTE 1 - Towards Sustainable Agriculture</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">DOMINANTE 2 - Products, Processes and Companies</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">DOMINANTE 3 - Sustainable Management of Natural Resources</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">EAU et AGRICULTURE 1 - Water and Agriculture cycle and management of water in agrosystems</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">EAU et AGRICULTURE 2 - Water and Agriculture (advanced methods for water management in agrosystems)</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">EAU et SOCIETE 1 - Water and Society (economy-sociology-management)</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">EAU et SOCIETE 2 - Water and Society (political science, law, history, geography)</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">BEE - EcoSystèmeS –Biodiversity Ecology Evolution / Ecosystems</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">EAU, SOL, ENVIRONNEMENT - Water, Cultivated Areas and Environment Management</a>								Montpellier – 30 ECTS				
<a href="#">DATA SCIENCE - Data science for Agronomy and Agri-Food</a>								Rennes/Montpellier – 30 ECTS				
<a href="#">AGROTIC - Agro-Technologies of Information and Communication</a>								Montpellier/Bordeaux – 30 ECTS				
<a href="#">CHIMIE VERTE - Chemistry and Bio-Processes for Sustainable Development</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">APIMET - Plant Breeding, Mediterranean and Tropical Crops Engineering</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">PPE - Plant Protection and Environment</a>						Montpellier/Rennes/Paris – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">SYSTEME D'ELEVAGE - Livestock Farming Systems</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">PVD - Sustainable Crop Production</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">AGRO-MANAGERS - Agromanager</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">TERPPA - Territories and Resources: Public Policies and Actors</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">EDDEE - EcoDEVA - Economics of agricultural development, environment and food</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">BIOAGRO - SPAZE - Science and Processes of Agroresources for Food &amp; Environment</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">AAIM - Agri-Food and Agro-Industry</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">IAAS - Agri-Food Industry in the South</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">MOQUAS - Markets, Organization, Food Quality, Services in the Southern Agriculture</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">RESAD - Resources and Agricultural Systems Development</a>						Montpellier – 30 ECTS						
<a href="#">VINIFERA - Vinifera Euromaster</a>												

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## How to Choose from the Autumn Semester Track Offers?

### Tracks and Teaching Units

- A Track corresponds to a line on the Track offers chart. Each Track is made up of several Teaching Units (UE).
- Each Track delivers 30 ECTS per semester.
- Students must choose one of the Tracks.
- Students can attend a Track if they have officially validated at least 6 semesters of study (180 ECTS).
- It is compulsory to attend all the Teaching Units of the chosen Track.

### Foreign Languages

- In July and/or August, paying **French Summer Courses** are offered for non-French speaking students.
- Throughout the year Montpellier SupAgro offers **free of charge Language Courses**:

French	For all international students, except French speaking students	<u>Intensive Courses:</u> 30 hrs (3 hrs/day) + <u>Regular Courses:</u> 2hrs/week throughout the semester	<i>Minimum admission level : B1</i>	1 ECTS + 2 ECTS
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- English courses are included in 5 Tracks:  
 “Agri-Food and Agro-Industry”,  
 “Agromanager”,  
 “Plant Breeding, Mediterranean and Tropical Crops Engineering”,  
 “Coordination of Projects in Environmental Education and Sustainable Development” and  
 “Agricultural Management of Rural Natural Areas”.

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## SPRING SEMESTER TRACK OFFER

*Ctrl-Click on the link of the Track on which you would like more information*

Sept	Oct	Nov	Déc	Jan	Fév	Mars	Avr	Mai	Juin	Juil	Août	Sept
					<a href="#">DATA MANAGER - Data Manager for environmental project</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">DATA MANAGER - Data Manager for environmental project</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				
					<a href="#">PLANT SCIENCES - Plant Sciences</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">PLANT SCIENCES - Plant Sciences</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				
					<a href="#">AGROECOLOGIE - Agroecology</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">AGROECOLOGIE - Agroecology</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				
					Mixed Track (see next page)** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					Mixed Track (see next page)** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				
					<a href="#">TED2 - Sustainable Development Policies and Strategies</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">TED2 - Sustainable Development Policies and Strategies</a> ** Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">AGROALIMENTAIRE - Agri-Food</a> Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">AGROALIMENTAIRE - Agri-Food</a> Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				
					<a href="#">DAAS Development - Agricultural and Food Systems in Southern Countries</a> Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">DAAS Agrifood - Agricultural and Food Systems in Southern Countries</a> Montpellier - 21 ECTS			Internship 7 ECTS				
					<a href="#">EAU et AGRICULTURE 1 - Water and Agriculture (cycle and management of water in agrosystems)</a> Montpellier - 22,5 ECTS			Internship 7,5 ECTS				
					<a href="#">EAU et AGRICULTURE 1 - Water and Agriculture (cycle and management of water in agrosystems)</a> Montpellier - 22,5 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				
					<a href="#">EAU et SOCIETE 1 - Water and Society (economy-sociology-management)</a> Montpellier - 22,5 ECTS			Internship 7,5 ECTS				
					<a href="#">EAU et SOCIETE 1 - Water and Society (economy-sociology-management)</a> Montpellier - 22,5 ECTS			Junior Research Lab 8 ECTS				

French














English

French and English

## How to Choose from the Spring Semester Track Offers?

### Tracks and Teaching Units

- A Track corresponds to a line on the Track offers chart. Each Track is made up of several Teaching Units (UE). Each Track delivers 30 ECTS per semester.
- Students have two options:
  - 1) choose one track (1 line on the chart) and attend all the Teaching Units;  
or
  - 2) Mixed track: combine the Teaching Units (UE) of the tracks “Agroecology”, “Data Manager for environmental project”, “Plant Sciences” and “Sustainable Development Policies and Strategies” (marked \*\* on the chart), selecting 1UE per period.

	Period 1 (February) – 7 ECTS		Period 2 (March) – 7 ECTS		Period 3 (April) – 7 ECTS	
<a href="#">Data Manager</a>	Collecting Environmental Data	 English	Environmental Data Processing and Analysis	 English	Mobile and Web Management of Environmental Data	 English
<a href="#">Plant Sciences</a>	Designing New Crops for the Future	 English	Training in AGROPOLIS Research Community – Special topics in advanced Plant Sciences	 English	Evolutionary applications in agriculture : Evolutionary Concepts for the Management of Agro-Ecosystems	 English
<a href="#">Agroecology</a>	Discover Agroecology Core concepts	 English	Agroecology in depth knowledge	 English	The Agroecological Transition Implementation-	 English
<a href="#">Sustainable Development Policies and Strategies</a>	Sustainable development: history, policies, instruments and critical perspective	 French	Sustainability and society	 English	Social economy and agroecology	 French  English

### Internship (7 ECTS) or Junior Research Lab (8 ECTS)

At the end of the Tracks, students can do (see more at the end of the document):

- A two-month **Internship** in a laboratory or a company
- or
- A **Junior Research Lab**
  - From May to July the JRL will function as a real research unit.
  - Small groups of 3-4 international students will be assembled on the basis of their complementary skills and they will have to identify a scientific question on which they will focus, learn by reading up-to-date scientific literature, design experiments, acquire and analyze data and write a scientific paper.
  - Students will be connected to one of the 74 Units of research of the Agropolis community, a worldwide acknowledged research hub with more than 2,500 full time scientists in agronomical, biological and ecology science (link).

### Foreign Languages

Throughout the year Montpellier SupAgro offers *free of charge* **Language Courses**:

French	For all international students, except French speaking students	<u>Intensive Courses</u> : 30 hrs (3 hrs/day) + <u>Regular Courses</u> : 2hrs/week throughout the semester	<i>Minimum admission level</i> : B1	1 ECTS + 1 ECTS
English Spanish German	For all students	1hr30mins/week throughout the semester	<i>Admission level</i> : English: B1 to C1 Spanish / German : A1 to C1	1 ECTS

## MONTPELLIER SUPAGRO 2020-2021 FULL YEAR TRACK OFFER

*Ctrl-Click on the link of the Track on which you would like more information*

Sept	Oct	Nov	Déc	Jan	Fév	Mars	Avr	Mai	Juin	Juil	Août	Sept
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**COMBINE AUTUMN and SPRING SEMESTER TRACKS (see previous pages)**  
or  
**CHOOSE one of the following Tracks**

<b>CEEDDR - <u>Coordination of Projects in Environmental Education and Sustainable Development</u></b> Florac - 40 ECTS	Internship 20 ECTS
<b>GENA - <u>Agricultural Management of Rural Natural Areas</u></b> Florac - 40 ECTS	Internship 20 ECTS
<b>EAU et AGRICULTURE 1 - <u>Water and Agriculture (cycle and management of water in agrosystems)</u></b> Montpellier - 52,5 ECTS	Internship 7,5 ECTS
<b>EAU et AGRICULTURE 2 - <u>Water and Agriculture (advanced methods for water management in agrosystems)</u></b> Montpellier - 35 ECTS	Internship 25 ECTS
<b>EAU et SOCIETE 1 - <u>Water and Society (year 1 - economy-sociology-management)</u></b> Montpellier - 52,5 ECTS	Internship 7,5 ECTS
<b>ECOSYSTEMES - <u>Ecosystems</u></b> Montpellier - 32,5 ECTS	Internship 27,5 ECTS
<b>EAU, SOL, ENVIRONNEMENT - <u>Water, Cultivated Areas and Environment Management</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>DATA SCIENCE - <u>Data science for Agronomy and Agri-Food</u></b> Rennes/Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>AGROTIC - <u>Agro-Technologies of Information and Communication</u></b> Montpellier/Bordeaux - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>CHIMIE VERTE - <u>Chemistry and Bio-Processes for Sustainable Development</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>APIMET - <u>Plant Breeding, Mediterranean and Tropical Crops Engineering</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>PPE - <u>Plant Protection and Environment</u></b> Montpellier/Rennes/Paris - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>SYSTEME D'ELEVAGE - <u>Livestock Farming Systems</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>PVD - <u>Sustainable Crop Production</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>AGRO-MANAGERS - <u>Agromanagers</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>TERPPA - <u>Territories and Resources: Public Policies and Actors</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>ECODEVA - <u>Economics of agricultural development, environment and food</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>SPA2E - <u>Science and Processes of Agroresources for Food &amp; Environment</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>AAIM - <u>Agri-Food and Agro-Industry</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>IAAS - <u>Agri-Food Industry in the South</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>MOQUAS - <u>Markets, Organization, Food Quality, Services in the Southern Agriculture</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>RESAD - <u>Resources and Agricultural Systems Development</u></b> Montpellier - 30 ECTS	Internship 30 ECTS
<b>VINIFERA - <u>Vinifera EuroMaster</u></b> Montpellier - 60 ECTS	

French

English



## How to Choose from the Full Year Track Offers?

### Tracks and Teaching Units

- Students can:
  - combine tracks of the Autumn and Spring semester: choose one track (1 line on the chart) on Autumn semester chart (September-January) and one track on Spring semester chart (February-August).
  - Combine an internship during the Autumn semester with a track of the Spring semester
  - choose a specific Track for the full year on the chart above
- A Track corresponds to a line on the Track offers chart. Each Track is made up of several Teaching Units (UE). Each Track delivers 30 ECTS per semester. All the UE of the Track chosen must be attended
- To attend the Tracks “Coordination of Projects in Environmental Education and Sustainable Development” and “Agricultural Management of Rural Natural Areas”, students must have officially validated at least 4 semesters of graduated studies (120 ECTS). To attend all others Tracks, 6 semesters of graduated studies are required as a minimum.

### Internship

- Students can do short internships during the Autumn Semester before the beginning of the Spring semester courses.
- After the courses, depending on the Track, students can do a 2 to 6-month Internship in a laboratory or company. See more at the end of the document.

### Foreign Languages

- In July and/or August, paying **French Summer Courses** are offered for non-French speaking students.
- Throughout the year Montpellier SupAgro offers free of charge **Language Courses**:

French	For all international students, except French speaking students	<u>Intensive Courses:</u> 30 hrs (3 hrs/day) + <u>Regular Courses:</u> 2hrs/week throughout the semester	<i>Minimum admission level :</i> B1	1 ECTS + 2 ECTS Autumn sem. + 1 ECTS Spring semester
English Spanish German	For students attending Tracks during the Spring semester	1hr30mins/week throughout the semester	<i>Admission level:</i> English: B1 to C1 Spanish / German: A0 to C1	1 ECTS Spring semester

Obs:

- Depending on their level in English, English courses are recommended during the first semester for students who wish to attend classes taught in English during the second semester.
- English courses are included in 5 Tracks of the Autumn semester: “Agri-Food and Agro-Industry”, “Agromanager”, “Plant Breeding, Mediterranean and Tropical Crops Engineering”, “Coordination of Projects in Environmental Education and Sustainable Development” and “Agricultural Management of Rural Natural Areas”.

## *Montpellier SupAgro 2020-2021*

# Junior Research Lab – JRL

### Organization and credits

The course is a full time 8-week-long course (May and June). Successful completion of this course brings 8 ECTS credits.

### Teaching language

English (B2 level)

### Objectives

The module is based on a research project but is not an internship under the supervision of a senior scientist who has already framed the entire project. It is a learning by researching and doing module. From seminal ideas of projects proposed by a team of experienced teachers, experts in several disciplines (plant biology, genetics and evolution, soil and water science, numeric agriculture or social sciences), small groups of 4-5 students are assembled on the basis of their complementary skills. They have to identify a scientific question from a literature review, design their own experiments, acquire and analyze data, write a scientific paper and realize a flash oral presentation. We aim to train them to work in a cooperative, open and sharing way respecting the principles of ethical, open and reproducible science.

The students are accompanied by a step-by-step process. Courses for project management, data management, data analysis, English writing, and literature management are given all along the 8 weeks consistently according to the increasing needs of the students.

Students are accompanied and taught in the different disciplines according to the needs of their project. They are asked to develop their engagement, self-learning, interculturality, curiosity, critical thinking and responsibility.

The module is hosted in a dedicated space to which they have a full-time access.

### Course content

Students activities are split into a group project (50%) and transversal activities (50%).

The module is organized with three main activities:

- (i) active learning sessions providing in-depth knowledge and practical skills to manage and analyze data.
- (ii) seminars covering the diverse facets of open and reproducible research.
- (iii) scientific project: field visit, literature review, experimental design, data production, data management plan, data analysis, scientific writing and open peer review among groups. Students are mentored by teachers and expert scientists for their project.

### Requirements

The course is open to Junior or Senior Students in agronomy, with at least attending a final year of bachelor in science. We expect some basics in statistics (also possibly taken at a previous module in Montpellier SupAgro). No other specific prerequisites but English B2 level.

### Grades

The final mark will be a weighted average between an individual exam (peer review of another group's project article and 180' flash oral presentation) and a group project (scientific article).

### Partnership

Research Units: potentially all (120) research units from MUSE

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# INTERNSHIP

- International students can apply for a research internship in one of the 22 **Montpellier SupAgro Joint Research Unit (UMR)**.
  - Students must personally take steps to find the internship. For that, they should consult the list of the UMR, at the end of this document and/or consult the UMR websites  
<https://en.montpellier-supagro.fr/research/scientific-policy/research-units> (English)  
<https://www.montpellier-supagro.fr/recherche/dispositifs-de-recherche> (French)
  - Students should send a message to the contact persons of the chosen UMRs of interest, and indicate the period they are interested in and the topics they would like to work on.
  - The application may be accepted if the project is compatible with the work in progress and the availability of the targeted research teams.
- Internship can begin at any time of the year.
- Internship may last from 2 to 6 months. Internships of more than two months are remunerated but more difficult to obtain.
- Proficiency is required in French or in English. In some cases, other languages can be accepted.

## Contacts for Students Internships Montpellier SupAgro Joint Research Units (UMR)

### BE Department – Biology and Ecology

#### UMR AGAP – Genetic Improvement & Adaptation of Mediterranean and Tropical Plants

In order to create innovative breeding methodologies and plant material, AGAP research unit seeks to understand the factors of plant development and their adaptation to environmental constraints, analyses the organization and diversity of genomes and studies agrobiodiversity. It combines biological and social sciences to broaden the disciplinary base and better understand plant domestication. Genomics, genetics, bioinformatics, ecophysiology and mathematical modelling make it possible to study the relationships between genetic diversity, agronomic behaviour and response to selection. About 20 tropical and Mediterranean crops are studied, covering a very wide range of biological characteristics and uses by farmers.

*Information:* <http://umr-agap.cirad.fr/en>

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*Internship offers:* <https://www.cirad.fr/en/jobs/internships>

#### UMR BGPI – Biology and Genetics of Plant/Parasite Interactions for Integrated Protection

The BGPI joint research unit aims at studying plant diseases with the goal of proposing rational control methods. The researchers of BGPI unit work on viruses, bacteria and fungi (including quarantine organisms) that are pathogenic to temperate and tropical plants. Population dynamics of emerging diseases, mechanisms of pathogenicity and plant resistance are the main investigated domains. Knowledge transfer for quarantine management of genetics resources is also a strong component of our activities.

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### UMR BPMP – Biochemistry and Molecular Physiology of Plants

The B&PMP joint research unit is defined as an Integrative Biology research department, focused on the mechanisms of plant responses and adaptation to variable abiotic environmental conditions.

Information: <https://www1.montpellier.inra.fr/wp-inra/bpmp/>

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Internship offers: <https://www1.montpellier.inra.fr/wp-inra/bpmp/en/>

### UMR CBGP - Centre for Biology and Management of Populations

The CBGP joint research unit aims to understand the mechanisms that govern populations of organisms that are important to agriculture, forests, human health and biodiversity conservation. Its studies concern biological models (arthropods, nematodes and rodents), and follow six lines of research: origin and characterization of biodiversity; adaptation of plant eaters, their natural enemies and symbionts; ecology and evolution of zoonoses; biology, ecology and evolution of invasive species; statistical and evolutionary population genomics; and high-throughput molecular and bioinformatics techniques

Information: [https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/cbgrp\\_eng/](https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/cbgrp_eng/)

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Internship offers: <http://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/cbgrp/Informations-pratiques/Offres-stages-theses-post-doc>

### UMR LEPSE – Ecophysiology Laboratory of Plants under Environmental Stress

The LEPSE joint research unit produces methods and knowledge to help maximizing crop production with less input, essentially water. This objective was initially assigned in the context of the necessity to limit water use by agriculture. Ongoing climate change, with global temperature elevation, increased probability of heat waves and drought episodes have led us to widen our domain of research.

Information: [https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/lepse\\_eng/](https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/lepse_eng/)

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### USC CEFE – Centre for Functional and Evolution Ecology

The CEFE is currently the largest French research center in Ecology. Its mission is to perform independent, fundamental scientific research on the dynamics of biodiversity, planetary environmental change, and sustainable development. The CEFE works at a great variety of field sites around the world, but developed particular expertise in Mediterranean and tropical ecosystems. One of its main objectives is to develop scenarios on the evolution of biological systems, as well as strategies for their conservation and their restoration.

Information: <http://www.cefe.cnrs.fr/fr/>

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Internship offers: <http://www.cefe.cnrs.fr/fr/emploi-stage-2/offres-de-stages>

## MPRS Department - Soils, Water, Crops and Livestock Systems Department

### UMR Eco&Sols – Functional Ecology & Biogeochemistry of Soils

The aim of the Eco&Sols joint research unit is to use ecological engineering to propose scientifically-based practices to maintain and improve the agricultural and environmental functions of agro-ecosystems. The research undertaken by Eco&Sols seeks to describe and understand the ecological processes of primary production and the regulation of the carbon and nutrient fluxes in the agro-systems.

Information: <http://www.umar-ecosols.fr/en/>

Members: Inra, Cirad, IRD, Montpellier SupAgro

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### **UMR LISAH - Laboratory for the Study of Interactions between Soil, Agro-Systems and Water Systems**

The LISAH joint research unit focuses its work on hydrology, the transfer of contaminants and erosion of highly developed and cultivated soils. It also studies the spatial proprieties of these areas, and their evolution. These studies aim at analyzing the issues of water and soils in cultivated areas.

*Information:* <https://www.umar-lisah.fr/?q=en>

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### **UMR LSTM – Tropical and Mediterranean Symbioses Laboratory**

The LSTM joint research unit studies microbiology and biology of plants, based on a multidisciplinary and integrative approach. It aims at understanding the molecular mechanism influencing the establishing of symbioses, as well as their role in ecosystematic services. It also studies the biodiversity of symbiotic microorganisms.

*Information:* <https://umr-lstm.cirad.fr/>

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*Internship offers:* <http://umr-lstm.cirad.fr/offres-d-emploi-et-propositions-de-stages>

### **UMR SELMET – Livestock Systems in Tropical and Sub-Tropical Regions**

The SELMET joint research unit works on animal production agro-ecosystems in warm climates, in normal and harsh conditions. The extreme conditions under which some of these systems function challenge the limits of ecological intensification.

*Information:* <http://umr-selmet.cirad.fr/en>

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### **UMR SYSTEM - Crop Systems Tropical and Mediterranean Cropping Systems functioning and management**

The SYSTEM joint research unit produces knowledge and tools to assess and design cropping systems combining economic efficiency and the production of environmental services. In Mediterranean and tropical areas, it explores the hypothesis whereby the biological diversity of species cultivated in the same place fosters ecological intensification.

*Information:* <https://umr-system.cirad.fr/en>

*Members:* Cirad, Inra, Montpellier SupAgro, Ciheam-IAM

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## **SABP Department - Department of Sciences for Agro-Bio-Processes**

### **UMR G-EAU - Water Management, Actors, Uses**

The G-EAU joint research unit conducts researches on hydrosystems, from physical description to integrated water management; it contributes to the design and evaluation of facilities to develop innovating solutions and policies for improved water management. The unit is strongly involved in 'Water and Agriculture' and 'Water and Society' master programmes.

*Information:* <http://www.g-eau.fr/index.php/en/>

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*Internship offers:* <http://www.g-eau.fr/index.php/en/jru-g-eau/recruitment>

### **UMR IATE – Agro-Polymer Engineering and Emerging Technologies**

The IATE joint research unit generates knowledge regarding the structural-functional properties of plant-based products upon transformation to food, biomaterials, biomolecules and bioenergy.

*Information:* <https://umr-iate.cirad.fr/en>

*Members:* Inra, Cirad, UM, Montpellier SupAgro

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### **UMR ITAP – Information and Technology for Agro-Processes**

With the aim of developing equipment for a more sustainable agriculture and for services related to the environment, UMR ITAP develops the scientific and technical bases of the following topics: information and associated systems (optical measurements, decision support systems), eco-technologies for sustainable agricultural production (including equipment for crop protection and maintenance), environmental and social assessment based on life cycle assessments.

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### **UMR MISTEA – Mathematic, Computing & Statistic for Environment and Agronomy**

The activities of the MISTEA joint research unit concern the development of mathematical, statistical and computer science methods dedicated to analysis and decision support for Agronomy and Environment, with particular emphasis on modeling, dynamical systems and complex systems.

*Information:* [https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/mistea\\_eng/](https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/mistea_eng/)

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*Internship offers:* <http://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/mistea/Offres-de-stage-these-emploi>

### **UMR NUTRIPASS – Preventive malnutrition & associated pathologies**

The NutriPass Joint Research Unit develops research on nutritional status as determinants and consequences, as well as on strategies and intervention policies. Its research is centered around issues which arise in the context of the nutrition transition and the dual burden of malnutrition (deficiencies and excesses) now affecting a majority of developing countries.

*Information:* <https://nutripass.ird.fr/>

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### **UMR QUALISUD – Integrated Quality Food System**

The QUALISUD joint research unit aims at developing an integrated approach for production and preservation of products and food with optimum organoleptic, health and nutritional optimal qualities.

*Information:* <http://umr-qualisud.cirad.fr/en/the-research-unit>

*Members:* Cirad, UM, Université Avignon et des pays de Vaucluse, Montpellier SupAgro, Université de la Réunion

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### **UMR SPO – Sciences for Enology**

The SPO joint research unit is one of the most important organizations involved in research in enology worldwide. It comprises 3 research teams: microbiology, biosynthesis and composition in polyphenols and polysaccharides (BCP2) and structures of phenolic (interactions, reactivity, assemblies) (SPIRAL). Close interactions with the INRA Experimental Unit of Pech Rouge-Narbonne (UE PR) allow the development of research projects up to pilot or pre-industrial scale and provide unique opportunities for innovation and transfer.

*Information:* [https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/spo\\_eng/](https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/spo_eng/)

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### **USC LBE – Laboratory of Environmental Biotechnology**

Les recherches conduites par l'USC LBE portent sur la valorisation par voie biologique des résidus issus de l'activité humaine selon le concept de la bioraffinerie environnementale et se déclinent en 4 axes transversaux renforçant la compréhension des mécanismes et la maîtrise des procédés :

- Diversité et Ingénierie des Ecosystèmes microbiens (DIEM)
- Matières complexes & Ingénierie des bioProcédés (MaXIP)
- Système, Analyse, Modélisation et Informatique (SAMI)
- Développement Technologique et Innovation (DTI)

*Information:* [https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/narbonne\\_eng/](https://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/narbonne_eng/)

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## SESG Department - Sciences Economiques, Sociales et de Gestion

### UMR INNOVATION – Innovation and Development in Agriculture and Agri-Food Sector

The mission of the INNOVATION joint research unit is to inform private and public actors' decision-making by producing knowledge on the processes of innovation and development in agricultural and food systems. Its research focuses on innovation processes, ranging from understanding the objectives of the actors wanting to innovate to analyzing innovations' impact on development. Its research also covers the methods required to support the actors who innovate.

Information: <https://umr-innovation.cirad.fr/en>

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### UMR CEE-M – Center of Environmental Economics- Montpellier

The CEE-M (ex-LAMETA) joint research unit aims at developing a plurality of works through specific tools (Market Econometrics, behavioral economics, experimental economics, public economics, history of economics thought, micro economy, social economy, game theory). The targeted areas are as follow: Risks, Preferences and behaviors; Public decision, collective actions and social ethic; Competition, regulations and network industry and finally Environment, natural resources and biodiversity.

Information: <http://www.cee-m.fr/>

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### UMR MOISA – Markets, Organizations, Institutions and Actors' Strategies

The MOISA joint research unit studies issues related to the strategies implemented by the different actors, private or public, individuals (consumers) or collectives (social groups of market or non-market production), to their internal mode of communication (enterprises) or external (vertically or horizontally), and to the functioning of institutions (markets, laws), which are applied to food science and rural agricultural systems in the Mediterranean and tropical areas.

Information: <http://umr-moisa.cirad.fr/>

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### USC GRED – Gouvernement, Risque, Environnement, Développement

Quatre axes structurent à présent l'USC GRED:

- Biodiversités et sociétés
- Gouvernance des ressources et des territoires - Pluralité des règles, des acteurs et des espaces de décision
- Risques, transports et vulnérabilités des territoires
- Modélisation et représentations spatiales pour l'aide à la décision en aménagement

De nouvelles actions transversales ont été identifiées, au niveau des thématiques (conflits et accès aux ressources, politiques publiques) et/ou des chantiers relatifs à des milieux spécifiques (forêts, milieux littoraux et insulaire), ou encore des pays ou région (Maghreb, Afrique de l'Ouest) qui permettent des collaborations et dynamiques trans-axes.

Information: <http://www.gred.ird.fr/>

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