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Master of Arts (MA) in sciences and practices of education

GENERAL OUTLINE

Objectives

The Master in Sciences and Practices of Education is delivered jointly by the University of Lausanne and the University of Teacher Education of the Canton of Vaud (HEP-VD). It offers a balanced combination of the professionalizing approach of the HEP-VD and the academic approaches of the UNIL.

This Master's degree allows students to develop, broaden and supplement their knowledge of school or non-school education. It examines educational processes in a multidisciplinary way.

This open approach allows students to structure and develop their training so as to coordinate their interests with their professional or academic aspirations.

Note that this Master's course is not a teaching diploma.

Skills development and career prospects

University studies develop, in addition to specific academic skills, a great many transverse skills such as: oral and written communication, critical, analytical and summarising faculties, abilities in research, the learning and transmission of knowledge, independence and the ability to make judgements in the field of specialisation and overlapping areas. This panoply of skills, combined with specialist knowledge acquired in the course of studies, is excellent preparation for a wide range of employment opportunities such as:

- Universities and Universities of Applied Science
- Public administration, particularly public education
- Media, press, communication, public relations
- Cultural or public interest associations and organisations
- Social services
- Schools: resource person or manager

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organisers

Faculty of Social and Political Sciences of the University of Lausanne, and University of Teacher Education of the Canton of Vaud (HEP-VD)

Degree awarded

Master of Arts (MA) in Sciences and Practices of Education

ECTS credits

90

Duration

3 semesters

Teaching language

French

Enrolment

Enrolment at the HEP-VD:
<http://futur-etudiant.hepl.ch/maspe/admissions>

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EDUCATIONAL CONTENT

Description

The Master in Sciences and Practices of Education offers a very wide range of courses ranging from basic disciplines (philosophy, history, sociology, economics, psychology, social psychology, anthropology, general education) to more specific subjects (management of training systems, evaluation of learning processes, family education, gender and education, career paths, adult training, ICT and education, etc).

The degree course includes three parts: courses attached to the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (SSP), courses attached to the HEP-VD, and a Master's dissertation.

The dissertation is accompanied by methods workshops which students must attend. These workshops, designed to be a reflective meeting place between the SSP and the HEP-VD, propose the elaboration of an interdisciplinary methodology specific to the sciences of education.

Examinations

The evaluation of knowledge takes diverse forms, for example seminar or research work, continuous assessment, oral or written examination. Each course is validated either by a pass certificate (seminars, research seminar and placements), or by a mark (course work and Master's dissertation). There are three exam sessions per year (winter, summer, autumn). Conditions for passing the Master's degree are described in the regulations of the Master in Sciences and Practices of Education.

Mobility

Students enrolled on a Master's degree have the possibility of completing a study semester in a HEP-VD partner institution.

If the study programme completed under the mobility scheme is approved and sanctioned by the passing of examinations, credits acquired will be recognised and validated in the student's degree course.

SYLLABUS

1st–3rd semester

Courses in the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences

Compulsory courses

- Psychology of Development at School Age
 - Social Psychology of Learning
 - Sociology of Education - Course
 - Sociology of Education - Seminar
- 18 ECTS credits

Optional courses

- Analysis of Social Representations
 - Construction of Public Problems
 - Dialogue, Argumentation and Learning: Psychosocial Approach
 - Cultural Diversity: Social Research and Challenges
 - Individual and Organisational Evaluation
 - History of Educational Methods for Physical Activity
 - Microsociology of the Family Life Path
 - Social Policy and Social Problems
 - Social Psychology of Life Phases
 - Cultural Psychology: Chosen Themes
 - Research in Socio-Historical Development Psychology
- 12 ECTS credits

HEP-VD Courses

Choice of 5 modules from the 11 proposed:

- Accompanying and Supporting Transitions
 - Otherness and Integration
 - Development of the Adolescent: Psychological and Contextual Approaches
 - General Education
 - Education, Learning and MITIC
 - Elaboration of Knowledge in Sciences and Practices of Education
 - Learning Assessments
 - Specialised Teaching
 - Training System and Quality
 - Educational Situations and Analyses of Activity
 - Educational Systems
- 30 ECTS credits

Master's dissertation

- Dissertation Workshops
- 30 ECTS credits

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Admission requirements

The following may be admitted to the Master's degree: students meeting the registration and enrolment conditions of the University of Lausanne and the HEP-VD who are in possession of a Bachelor's degree related to the study areas «Social and Cultural Anthropology», «Education Sciences», «Sociology», «Political Sciences», «Psychology», a University of Teacher Education degree or a qualification deemed equivalent by the Science Committee. Students holding another Bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss university or a qualification deemed equivalent may be admitted with possible course additions specified by the Science Committee. Enrolment on the programme is via the HEP-VD. Formal admission is pronounced by the Management Committee of the HEP-VD according to the recommendation of the Scientific Committee.

Regulations and additional information concerning the course

Web site of the HEP-VD:

<http://futur-etudiant.hepl.ch/maspe>

Web site of the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences:

www.unil.ch/ssp

Final enrolment dates

It is possible to start the programme of the Master of Arts degree in either the autumn or the spring semesters.

Autumn semester: 30 April

Spring semester: 30 November

Candidates needing a visa to study in Switzerland must apply for enrolment at least two months prior to the deadline indicated above.

Start of courses

Autumn semester: mid-September

Spring semester: mid-February

Part-time Master's degree

See Directive 3.12:

www.unil.ch/interne/page44629.html#3

Academic calendar

<http://futur-etudiant.hepl.ch/calendrier-academique>

www.unil.ch/central/page4804.html

General information on studies, career prospects and guidance

www.unil.ch/soc

International students

<http://futur-etudiant.hepl.ch/maspe/mobilite>

