

**September 2023
New opening of the**

Masters in “Doping Studies and Analysis of Anti-Doping policies”



Training in social science research on doping

States Parties undertake, within their means, to encourage and promote anti-doping research in cooperation with sports and other relevant organizations on prevention, detection methods, behavioural and social aspects, and the health consequences of doping (UNESCO Convention, Art. 24, a).

How to contribute to scientific research on anti-doping? How to produce insights on the realities of anti-doping? How to integrate and support anti-doping community?

The UNESCO Chair in “Doping studies and analysis of anti-doping policies—for the protection of the health of all athletes” will, from September 2022, again be offering a Master’s on these issues. People involved in the fight against doping, students wishing to specialize in this topic or to complete their training by analysing a social demand that involves sport, health, law, and journalism, are invited to register at the University of Paris Nanterre for this Master’s, whose courses are held in French and partly in English.

The two-year program will take place in Paris (5 months in the first year and 5 months in the second year); the rest of the **training will be dedicated to carrying out tutored research on the student’s national territory** with remote methodological support. Enrolling for the second year only is possible depending on the candidate’s level of qualification. The registration costs are modest (around 400€ per year) and the course will lead to the obtaining of a Master’s recognized by France as well as opening up the possibility of a PhD.

By enrolling for this Master’s, you will:

- **acquire skills to grasp the political and social aspects of the anti-doping fight;**
- **produce studies on the local and international realities of doping and anti-doping strategies;**
- **obtain a Master’s degree from a major French university with solid experience in the Social Sciences;**
- **be able to contribute to sports and anti-doping institutions.**

Examples of proposed research topics:

- Organization and coordination between National Anti-Doping Organizations (NADO) and the different national entities;
- Setting up and evaluation of devices aiming to restrict the availability of products;
- Research on the measures taken against violations of the anti-doping regulations and the reality of the implementation of such measures;
- Consumption and consumers of doping substances and dietary supplements;
- Evaluation of actions aiming to improve the legal framework on distribution and consumption of food supplements;
- Establishment and evaluation of education and training programs for conducting the fight against doping, specifying their contents, targets, frequency and evaluation procedures;
- Analysis of the ways in which athletes, managers and organizations are associated with education and training efforts;
- etc.

The contents of the course

1st year

Contemporary issues of sport, perspectives in history and sociology of sporting activities, sport economics, public actions and policies relating to sport, sport and international relations, understanding the literature on doping, research methodology in social sciences, data analysis, UNESCO Chair seminar on doping, Master's Thesis on the reality of doping and the fight against doping, etc. (230 h of training)

2nd year

Transnational perspectives in the social sciences of sport, political economy of sport, organizational strategy and changes in organization, sport and globalization, methodological tools for research in social sciences, data analysis, internship in a sports entity or anti-doping organisation, UNESCO Chair seminar, Master's Thesis on the reality of doping and the fight against doping, etc. (230 h of training)

Who are we?

Paris Nanterre University is a place where advanced training is at the same high level as international training, backed by worldwide-recognized research and winning several awards times in the most diverse fields. The university is also proud of its numerous partnerships, both with foreign higher education establishments and with French and foreign companies, attracted by the thousands of graduates in innovative and demanding training programs. Since 2017, it has hosted **the UNESCO Chair "Doping studies and analysis of anti-doping policies"**, named **"Doping studies and analysis of anti-doping policies—for the protection of the health of all athletes"** since 2021.

This UNESCO Chair focuses on both doping and the anti-doping fight in their social dimension. The internationalization of anti-doping regulations has brought about global health imperatives. The implementation of the systems envisaged within the framework of this globalized approach is binding. Nevertheless, the systems of self-evaluation of the actions carried out by the various states reveal differences in terms of compliance. The UNESCO Chair "Doping studies and analysis of anti-doping policies" aims to create an international network of researchers in social sciences (sociologists, anthropologists, historians, and specialists in political, legal and economic sciences) in order to study the implementation in real terms of these mechanisms, taken seriously into account local, cultural, social and political characteristics, and thus explaining the often difficult connection between the principles and representations existing on a global scale and the actual practices in the different territories.

These research activities on doping are part of the **Institute for the Social Sciences of the Political**, a research unit associated with the CNRS (UMR 7220), recognized for its scientific value, its multidisciplinary and its strong internationalization. It welcomes researchers in sociology, anthropology, history, political sciences, economic sciences and legal sciences who have carried out numerous studies on doping and the fight against doping for national and international institutions. Most of the work is accessible on the following website: <https://cersm.parisnanterre.fr/navigation/lequipe-sciences-sociales/the-%E2%80%9Csocial-science-doping%E2%80%9D-group-dir-patrick-trabal-equipe-sciences-sociales-cersm>

Training is provided at the Faculty of Sport Sciences, a faculty that receives nearly 1,500 students wishing to acquire scientific and professional knowledge on physical, sporting and artistic activities. The Master's benefits from the contributions of foreign Professors associated with the Chair.

Application for registration:

Registration

For Nationals listed below, you can apply until December 15 on the website: <https://www.campusfrance.org/en/application-higher-education-france>

Algeria, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Gabon, Georgia, Ghana, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran, Israel, Ivory Coast, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Laos, Lebanon, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Peru, Qatar, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States, Vietnam

For others countries

Registration will be open in March 2023

Cost of registration: around 400 € per year

Eligibility criteria: Applicants must hold a higher education diploma equivalent to at least 3 years' study

Calendar:

Beginning of the program: September 2023

End of the first semester: January 2024

Second semester: January 2024 – March 2024

Internship and Master's Thesis: from March 2024 to June 2024

For any additional information:

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