Programme overview
The Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree in Food Innovation and Product Design (FIPDes) is a two-year academic programme in the field of food science and product development, operated by Université Paris Saclay and AgroParisTech (France), together with TU Dublin (Ireland), UNINA (Italy) and Lund University. The FIPDes Master’s aims to provide a European dimension in the knowledge-intensive area of food research and development and is highly relevant for both EU and third country students who wish to be employed in the agrifood and drink sector. The programme was approved by the EU Commission in 2010 and started in 2011.

Programme modules/courses

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Career prospects
Graduates will be able to take on the huge challenges and opportunities in the sector of food innovation, along with product design and packaging. They will typically either start their own manufacturing or consulting business, find positions in and outside of Europe, either in their country or in a national branch of a major international food brand, or they will return to academia as doctoral students within the food/innovation field. Visit the programme webpage, www.fipdes.eu for an overview of previous FIPDes students’ current positions.

Entry requirements and how to apply
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
BSc degree or equivalent degree of at least 180 higher education credits in food science and technology, biotechnology, process engineering, biochemistry, nutrition or food-related fields with a number of prerequisites (e.g. chemistry, biotechnology, process technology/engineering, biochemistry, mathematics, statistics) representing at least three years of study from a foreign institute of higher education.

English language proficiency level (“B2 level” according to The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), advanced) demonstrated in one of the following ways: TOEFL at minimum level 575; Internet-based TOEFL at minimum level 90; IELTS at minimum level 6.5, Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency; students with English as their mother tongue (a copy of the passport is needed to prove this); students who have completed a higher education degree with English as the medium of instruction.

“I had one of the most enriching experiences personally and academically with the FIPDes programme. I am specialising in Food Packaging Design and Logistics at Lund University, where I have extremely unique and focused courses. The projects I worked on involved real industrial tasks that needed an innovative and sustainable approach towards problem-solving. The professors are extremely approachable and were always ready to guide me.”
Divya Mohan from India
(a certificate from the university is required to prove this); stay of more than one year in an English-speaking country (a certificate from employer or other as applicable, or a copy of the passport page showing visa to enter and leave the English-speaking country, is needed to prove this). By exception, exemptions can be made for outstanding students with a lower English proficiency level.

**HOW TO APPLY**
See www.fipdes.eu for more information.

**SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO**
After verifying the admission criteria, students will be selected based on the following qualitative selection criteria:
1. List of subjects taken during the BSc level with grades obtained.
2. Educational background, potential and the grade of qualification obtained.
3. Excellence criteria: experience in laboratory work and/or cooking; additional training/courses/workshops (which are not a part of a regular study programme); Participation in conferences and/or publishing of papers in peer-reviewed scientific journals; international and work experience.
4. Signed explanation of your own composition stating why you would like to attend the FiPDes Master’s programme and how this programme will help you in your work and career.
5. Geographical balance: the Consortium will take into account the origin of the applicants in order to assure a proper geographical balance within each cohort.

**TUITION FEES**
See www.fipdes.eu for information on tuition fees and scholarships.

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**About Lund University**

Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world’s top 100 universities. The University has 40 000 students and more than 8 000 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

Lund is the most popular study location in Sweden. The University offers one of the broadest ranges of degree programmes and courses in Scandinavia, based on cross-disciplinary and cutting-edge research. Because of its wide disciplinary range, interdisciplinary collaborations and engagement with wider society, Lund University is particularly well equipped to meet complex societal challenges. With partner universities in around 70 countries, the University’s profile is distinctly international.

Lund University has an annual turnover of more than EUR 830 million, of which two-thirds go to research in our nine faculties, enabling us to offer one of the strongest and broadest ranges of research in Scandinavia.

The establishment of the world-leading facilities MAX IV and ESS will have a major impact on future scientific and industrial development in both materials science and life science. MAX IV is the leading synchrotron radiation facility in the world, while the European research facility ESS will be the world’s most powerful neutron source when it opens for research in 2023. Adjacent to these facilities, Science Village Scandinavia is also being developed into a meeting place and testing environment for research, education and entrepreneurship.

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