



International Master Arctic Studies at Versailles University

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We started an International multidisciplinary one year (second year) Master on Arctic Studies at University Versailles-Saint Quentin en Yvelines in September 2010. Some twenty students from France, Russia, Greenland, and elsewhere are following a set of core courses in climatology and environmental sciences, economics and sustainability studies and humanities. For the optional courses, they can choose a specialisation in sciences and technology or humanities. The program includes also internships at the Observatory of Haute Provence at Institut Paul Emile Victor in Brest, France and a field trip to Copenhagen. An extension of the Master into a two year program is currently in preparation with the University of Lapland and the North Eastern Federal University of Russia at Yakutsk to open in September 2012. This program trains future specialists in the various fields mentioned above. It focuses in particular on the impact of climate change on Arctic societies.