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MINSPED - Introduction

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MINSPED - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

The main objective of the minor is to train students enrolled in a bachelor programme to acquire a basic training in population and development studies, enabling them to understand and, to some extent, analyze the challenges of poverty, demographic transitions, ageing populations, North-South inequalities, and the interactions between population, environment and development.

The minor combines into a single block six courses (of 5 credits each) organized by the Department of population and development studies. . These six courses provide an overview of the population-development issues and train students to acquire knowledge in:

- demographic analysis and development theories
- population and development policies
- issues and challenges of the 21st century, both demographic as well as political, social and economic
- relationships between gender and social, economic and political inequalities
- analyses of the interaction between population, environment and development.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Acquérir et démontrer une compréhension d'un socle de connaissances en sciences de la population et du développement
2. Démontrer une connaissance et une compréhension des outils de base des sciences de la population et du développement
3. Découvrir et saisir la rigueur exigée et faire preuve de cette intégration.
4. Faire preuve d'une capacité de questionnement à partir du raisonnement spécifique aux sciences de la population et du développement
5. Percevoir les spécificités des sciences de la population et du développement et construire une réflexion complémentaire à celle de la discipline de sa majeure afin d'enrichir l'étude d'une problématique.

Programme

DETAILED PROGRAMME BY SUBJECT

- Mandatory
- ⊗ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2026-2027
- ⊖ Not offered in 2026-2027 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2026-2027 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2026-2027 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

30 crédits

Year

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○ Content:

○ Cours obligatoires (30 credits)

○ LSPED1211	Introduction to Demography	Bruno Schoumaker	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
○ LSPED1212	Analysis of Development Policy		FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
○ LSPED1213	Contemporary issues in development policy [M]	Benjamin Chemouni	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
○ LSPED1214	Demographic issues and challenges in the 21st century	Philippe Bocquier Christine Schnor	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
○ LSPED1215	Gender and Societies		FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
○ LSPED1221	Interrelations of Population, Environment and Development	Bruno Masquelier	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] △ 🌐	X	X

⌘ Cours de remplacement

Si l'étudiant a déjà suivi l'un ou l'autre des cours obligatoires dans le cadre de sa majeure, il peut le(s) remplacer par un ou des cours de la liste ci-dessous.

⌘ LBIO1117	Ecology I	Renate Wesselingh	EN [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LDROI1525	Gender law	Pascale Vielle	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LDVLD1300	Ecological Economics		FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LESPO2103	Environmental Economics and Policy [M]		EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LPOLS1212	Contemporary political regimes		EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LPOLS1319	Introduction to geopolitics	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LPSP1322	Stereotypes, prejudices and discrimination [M]	Stéphanie Demoulin Vincent Yzerbyt	FR [q1] [30h] [4 Credits] > English-friendly	X	X
⌘ LESPO1214	Méthodes qualitatives et quantitatives pour les sciences sociales	Pierre Baudewyns Nathalie Burnay	FR [q1+q2] [30h+15h] [9 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LESPO1211	Macroeconomic Policy		FR [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits]	X	X

THE PROGRAMME'S COURSES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

MINSPED - Information

Access Requirements

Since it does not require any prerequisite subjects or special training, the minor is open to any student enrolled in a bachelor programme at UCLouvain. Since it employs tools and approaches which mainly come from social and human sciences, it provides further training both for students in science and technology or health sciences as well as for those who wish to widen their programme in human sciences.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [Academic regulations and procedures](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

This minor may be chosen by students studying a particular subject as a means of broadening their horizons and training in an interdisciplinary issue. It may also be used as a preliminary stage towards the 120 credit Master in Population and Development Studies.

Contacts

Curriculum Management

Entity

Structure entity

Denomination

Faculty

Sector

Acronym

Postal address

SSH/ESPO/SESP

[\(SESP\)](#)

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