



ANGERS

ISTOM



ISTOM is a school of engineering with a 110 years of experience in training specialists in international agricultural development. The school prepares graduates for work in the world's tropical and subtropical zones (in Africa, Asia, and Latin America) and to meet the challenge of feeding and protecting the planet for generations to come. In the 5-year agricultural engineering program students master scientific fundamentals (primarily biology) as well as the humanities and economics. Subjects taught at ISTOM are divided into modules comprising academic courses, lab work, and field expeditions.

#### ◆ MAIN PROGRAMMES OF STUDY

The first 2 years of the program are devoted primarily to the life and earth sciences, the basic sciences, and the humanities (including economics and sociology).

The 3rd, 4th and 5th years deal in more detail with courses in agronomy, tropical agriculture, applied sciences and engineering methods, project management.... Students acquire in-depth skills in a field of expertise (crop production in tropical zones, agri-food industries, water and environmental management, land development, etc.)

Careers after ISTOM Most ISTOM graduates work in one of the following fields: agronomy, development, agri-food industry, humanitarian aid, and environmental protection. The school's alumni occupy positions of responsibility in development projects, water resource consultancies, international organizations, and nongovernmental organizations, among other posts.

#### ◆ RESEARCH

The teaching team consists of 20 teaching and research professors which form the ADI-Suds (Agro-Développement International aux Suds) research unit. They work in collaboration with researchers from organizations that deal with development research issues. ISTOM has initiated a multidisciplinary research program aimed at better understanding development problems. That program is closely linked with students' research projects.

#### ◆ STRENGTHS

ISTOM's engineering curriculum is in touch with professional requirements and challenges. Over the course of the curriculum the school works closely with students to plan their future career. Internships and missions (requiring a total of 16 months) enable students to apply the tools and methods they learn in class.

Since 2018, ISTOM has been located in Angers, France's leading green city with a strong attraction for plants. The school benefits from a new building allowing students to benefit from an optimal living and working environment for their academic and professional success.

The school has a network of more than 2550 graduates attending in 114 countries.

#### ◆ LOCATION

Located only 1h15 from the Atlantic coast by car and 1h30 by train from Paris, Angers has all the conditions for students wishing to study here in peace.

Known for its famous mildness, Angers attracts a young population. 48% of the population is under 30 and 18% is a student, i.e. one in five Angevins are students.



#### IDENTITY FORM

- ◆ **Precise name of the institution**  
ISTOM - École supérieure d'agro-développement international
- ◆ **Type of institution**  
Private: recognized by the French government and accredited by CTI, the French national commission on engineering degrees. Label EUR ACE, EESPIG School
- ◆ **City where the main campus is located**  
Angers
- ◆ **Number of students**  
450
- ◆ **Percentage or number of international students**  
10%
- ◆ **Type and level of qualifications awarded**  
Engineering degree
- ◆ **French language courses**  
No
- ◆ **Programs for international students**  
No
- ◆ **Programs in English**  
No
- ◆ **Registration fees/year (for information only)**  
6 720 euros/year
- ◆ **Postal address**  
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