The National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilizations is a large public institution of higher education and research. Inalco’s mission is to teach and research the languages and civilizations of Central and Eastern Europe, Asia, Oceania, Africa, the Near and Middle East, and peoples of the Americas, as well as history, geography, societies, political and economic systems, realities and cultural developments in the countries concerned.

Public university institute under the supervision of the Ministry of Higher Education and Research having the status of large institution, Inalco (formerly Languages O’) is the direct heir to the School of Oriental Languages founded by the national convention in 1795. Over the centuries, Inalco has become a unique institution in the world, welcoming students and teachers from all walks of life. No institution offers in the same place such a diversity of courses, such expertise and such wealth of knowledge about the world today.

In total, more than one hundred languages and civilizations are taught in the framework of national diplomas (bachelor’s, master’s, doctorate) and establishment diplomas. Anxious to promote the integration of its students into the labor market, Inalco has also developed career-oriented courses in the fields of international business, intercultural communication, language teaching, international relations, computer-language-multilingual texts. The institute also offers courses tailored to the needs of individuals, businesses and public services.

**MAIN PROGRAMMES OF STUDY**

11 departments (Africa, South Asia, South East Asia and Pacific, Japan, China, Arab Studies, Eurasia, Hebrew Studies, Russian, Central and Eastern Europe, Americas), license LLCER, 5 professional streams from L2 (management and international trade, international relations, language didactics, automatic language processing, intercultural communication), 8 masters’ degrees (LLCER, 2 ‘International Business’ masters, 5 ‘language trades’ masters).

**RESEARCH**

Research at Inalco combines cultural and disciplinary fields. Their crossroads, particularly innovative and scientifically fruitful, concern languages and civilizations that occupy today, more and more, the center stage - Africa, Middle East, Asia, until the Arctic - and which are at the heart of the major issues of our century. The research relies on 15 teams, often in partnership with research organizations, a high-level doctoral training, and international presses. It also benefits from a project engineering and valorization system.

With 15 research centers, Inalco develops a research policy rooted in scientific collaborations with its national and international partners. With a unique profile, characterized by the articulation between disciplines of human and social sciences and cultural areas, Inalco is in charge of all mixed research units in the Paris Areal Linguistics and concentrates renowned hospitality teams such as the CNRS and IRD.

**LOCATION**

Paris