





# Your second year track in AgroParisTech, Nancy, France

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# Paris Institute of technology for life, food and environmental sciences

Campus of Nancy



## AgroParisTech – key figures

Ranked 4th world wide and 2nd European wide in the field of "Agriculture & Forestry" in QS Top Universities ranking 2019

8 campuses throughout France

~2 000 students (20% international)

~400 phD students (40% international)

A professional network > 12.000 graduates worldwide

230 professors et 450 researchers

24 research groups

750 ha of experimental forests

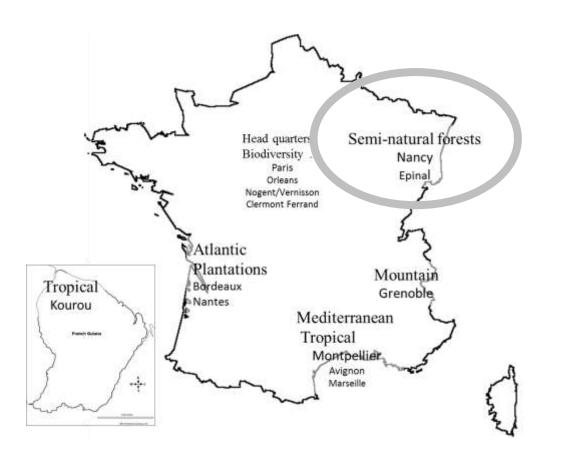




Nancy coordinator of forest research and high education throughout AgroParisTech



## Forestry and forest science in France



Nancy – Lorraine region :

Only place where education, research, R&D, forest reporting and management are strongly linked, including all fields of forest science, from nature conservation to wood end uses.



## **AgroParisTech Campus of Nancy**

#### Founded in 1824, located downtown in the historical site



## **AgroParisTech Campus of Nancy**

Trains 250 students (MSc, PhD) per year Forestry, Ecology, Plant science and Environmental economics

Several programs and tracks of MSc Most are co-developed with UNIVERSITÉ DE LORRAIN

#### Hosts academic and industrial partners





















## AgroParisTech Nancy - research



Laboratoire d'excellence

#### **ARBRE**

Advanced Research on the Biology of TRees and Forest Ecosystems

Managed by INRAE (Europe's top agricultural research institute) 4 campus in or close to Nancy, among them AgroParisTech'

- Key questions related to nutrient cycling, carbon storage and cycling, forest productivity, forest biodiversity, wood products, ecosystem services and sustainable forest management.
- A wide range of disciplines genomics, biology, ecology, forest inventory, wood sciences, economics, sociology, silviculture, forest management –













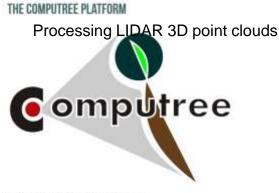




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#### **Technical tools**





#### Large data bases

Journal of Vegetation Science

@ Full Access



EcoPlant: A forest site database linking floristic data with soil and climate variables

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#### Forest system models

A carbon accounting tool for complex and uncertain greenhouse gas emission life cycles

Article in Environmental Modelling and Software - June 2018

French Forest Sector Model: version 1.0.

Presentation and theorical foundations



## Student residence

# On-site residence in Nancy

- ≻76 rooms
- **≻12 studios**
- >Priority given to foreign students
- ➤ Monthly rent for a room ≈ 185 €



## **Nancy District**

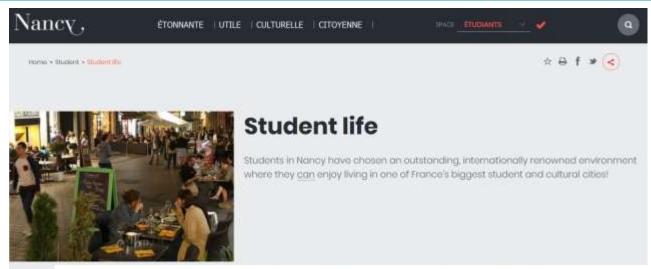
- > 300 000 residents
- **➤ University Town : 50 000 students**



- > Eastern France, continental Europ
- > 1h 30 from Paris by train
- > Close to the Vosges Mountains
- > Close to Belgium, Germany, Switzerland and Luxembourg



#### Welcome to international students





#### International students

Welcome to Nancy! Here you <u>can</u> find information and advice to help you settle in the Capital of Lorraine!



#### Student life

Students in Nancy have chosen an outstanding, internationally renowned environment where they <u>can</u> enjoy living in one of France's biggest student and.

#### Student associations

One of Nancy's major assets is the dynamism of its student associations. More than 160 associations of a general nature or affiliated to a particular...

https://www.nancy.fr/nancy-in-english/student/student-life-1197.html



## Nancy – student events







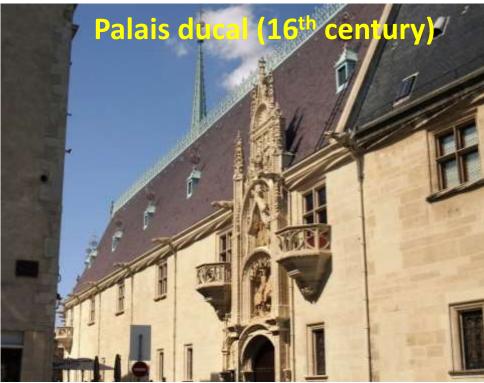


Sports
Week-end hike
Restaurants
Music
Student nights



## **Nancy District – History**







## Nancy District – Green spaces



La Pépinière, 23 ha 500 m from the campus

Plateau de Malzéville, 400 ha 5 km from the campus







# Your second year in NANCY

## Welcome to AgroParisTech



## 5 master majors

- ➤ Plant-environment interactions (in French)
- ➤ Natural ecosystem conservation and restoration (in French)
- > Forest and farm ecosystem management (in French)
- ➤ Wood, forest and sustainable development (in French)
- > Forests and their environment (FEN) (in English)







## FEN's objectives

- ➤ Train experts in the assessment and monitoring of Forest Ecosystems and Ecosystem services
  - > strong expertise in <a>Ecology</a>.
    - Forest system models
    - Statistics
    - GIS
  - > Global and local issues in Forestry.
    - Environmental Economics
    - Ecosystem service assessments
- > Small groups (10 to 15 students; French & Intl.)
- > Many options for pursuing a doctorate degree.







## FEN's schedule

#### First semester (Sept –Jan)

- **▶10** courses (30 ECTS) among them the « project module »
- > French course (elective).

#### Second semester (Feb – Aug)

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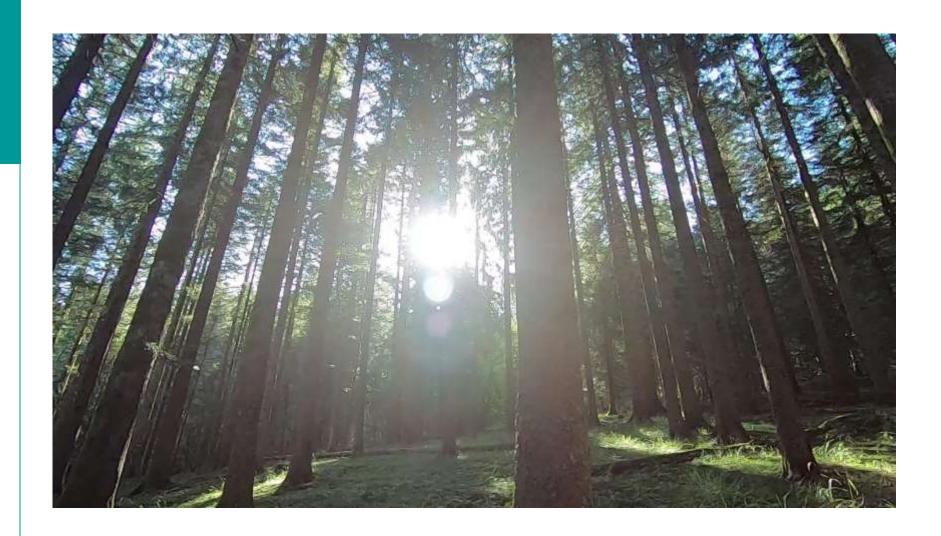


## FEN's schedule – 1st semester

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	Forest Economics and Policy  > European forests (environmental economics)		
	Student Project		6



## FEN's schedule – Field courses



## FEN's schedule – (1st sem.)

Forest Resource Management	ECTS
Forests and forestry in a context of global change (with ALU)	3
<ul> <li>Geographical information systems (elective)</li> </ul>	3
➤ Introduction to the forestry context in Eastern France	3
Forest Ecology	
Advanced statistics (elective)	3
Models in forest ecology and management	3
Biogeochemical cycles in forest ecosystems	3
Understanding tree structure and functions	3
Forest plant communities	3
Forest Economics and Policy	
European forests (environmental economics)	3
Project module	6



## FEN's schedule – project module

#### 2 PROFILES

## RESEARCH PROFILE (Individual)

- Integration into a research lab.
- In depth specific academic knowledge.
- > Specific skills and analysis.
- Integration in a research group

# PROFESSIONAL PROFILE (Team)

- Applied questions.
- > Actionable projects.
- In contact with professional companies.
- An AgroParisTech supervisor and a project group method



#### PROJECT REPORT AND DEFENSE



#### FEN's schedule – project module

#### **EXAMPLES 2019-2020**

Team project 1: 2019 fir dieback in Doller valley – answers to questions of local authorities (LABEX ARBRE, ecology lab, national forest office)

Team project 2: Assessment of the EASYFORCLIM model, a support to decision tool based on forest ecology and economics made for forest owners to adapt forest to climate change (GIP ECOFOR, economics lab)

Team project 3 Extending the application of the Private Property Rights Index in Forestry and analysing its explanatory value as governance indicator (AgroParisTech)

One research profile (Ignatius Kristia): confocal microscopy applied to wood formation study (Lab Silva in INRAE)



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## Internship and master thesis (2<sup>nd</sup> s.)

# The internship is a <u>PAID (in FR)</u> professional or research experience

- private company.
- public forest organization.
- Research lab.

#### Leading to an internship thesis

An innovative question you have to solve with rigorous methods. In research labs or any institution (but with an academic tutor)

#### HOW?

- > FIND a topic (an innovative question) proposed with the host institution.
- > SELECT host institution, in Nancy, in any part of France or abroad.
- > IDENTIFY a supervisor in the host institution.
- > PICK an academic tutor.

#### We provide help







## **AgroParisTech forests**

- **→** Forest of Brin
- **>20** km from Nancy
- **≻600** ha
- Many issues
  - Wood production, Oak and beech silviculture
  - Hunting
  - Recreation (close to the city of Nancy)
  - Risks & climate change (drought, processionary caterpillar)
  - Biodiversity, water management (pond)
  - History (battlefield of the world wars)













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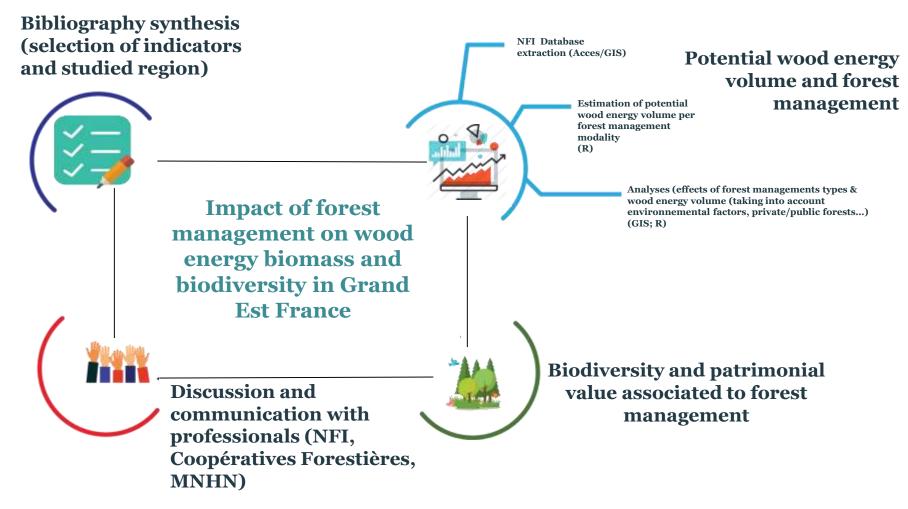
- 4 campuses (in or near Nancy)
- 135 permanent researchers & teachers, 110 phD students & post-doc.
- 6 academic research units (INRA, AgroParisTech, Université de Lorraine)
- 1 research unit for forest inventory (NFI IGN)
- 2 R&D departments, of Forest National Office, of private forest organizations.
- 1 Center of wood technology transfer & innovation (« CRITT Bois »)
- 1 « livinglab » (Forest Inn Lab) for entrepreneurship and debates
- Several projects with industries, local communities, forest managers, nature conservation, citizens ...

#### Master courses make you meet LabEX staff



## FEN's schedule – project module

#### **TEAM PROJECT STRUCTURE**





## **Example of internship**



#### Sanjoy Roy (2018)

Title

Biomass and mineralomass assessment in forest stands intensively managed for fuel wood

Host institution INRA

**BEF Lab** (Biogeochemical cycles in forest ecosystems)

Supervisor

Dr. Jean-Michel LEBAN, Dr Laurent SAINT-ANDRÉ

**Academic tutor** 

**Dr. Bruno FERRY** 

Sanjoy is now pursuing a doctorate degree







## **Example**



#### Lea Darquié (2018)

Title Effects of harvesting on composition, structure and growth of a maple-birch forest in Ontario, Canada

**Great Lakes Forestry Centre** 

Supervisor Dr. Paul HAZLETT

Academic tutor Dr. Daniel EPRON

Léa is now pursuing a doctorate degree in Canada





