

UNIVERSITÉ **PARIS 13**
NORD



Multidisciplinary, excellence and innovation in the north of Paris



University Paris 13 celebrates its 40th anniversary this year in a great display of vitality.

Since February 2010, the University has joined the very first Parisian PRES (Pôle de Recherche et d'Enseignement Supérieur – Research and Higher Education Cluster) called “Sorbonne Paris Cité”, alongside Paris 3-Sorbonne, Paris 5-Descartes, Paris 7-Diderot, Sciences Po Paris, INALCO (Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales), EHESP (Ecole des Hautes Études en Santé Publique) and IPGP (Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris). Boasting 120,000 students, including 6,700 PhD students and 5,650 teachers-cum-researchers, it is already confirmed as a cluster with international outreach, a status that will be reinforced by cooperation between members.

Our university is also a key player in the “Campus Condorcet” project initiated in June 2010. The emergence, by 2016, of a centre of excellence for human and social sciences will reinforce the changes occurring in the north of Paris where our university extends its influence.

Set up in Seine Saint Denis, a young, dynamic ‘département’ of France where talent abounds, our university constantly asserts its role as a social ladder offering the necessary resources for world-class research and professional integration on a par with skills.

Bearing witness to our results, our attractiveness has heightened with a 7% increase in student numbers, compared to a national average of 2%. The 2010 Fields Medal, the mathematics equivalent of the Nobel Prize, obtained by Ngo Bao Chau who was a research fellow at the LAGA (Laboratoire Analyse, Géométrie et Applications) from 1995 to 2004, confirms the quality of our research and our culture of diversity.

With our traditional departments, our institutes of technology and our school of engineering, we offer an extensive range of courses.

The University also adapts new ones, in connection with the working world, and follows students through to employment by supporting their professional plans. Our partnerships with the corporate world and laboratories, our joint courses, the “Café pour l'Emploi” and the “Student-Company” and “Alternance” forums, all give students the keys they need to successfully move into the world of employment.

Paris 13 is also 4 modern campuses in a green setting. With 120 new accommodation units delivered for 2009-2011 and 200 others due for completion in August 2011, student housing is a priority. With accessibility to the WiFi network over the entire site, geo-location applications and information in real time (Univmobil) on mobile phones, an IT room (Learning Center) open around the clock, renovated libraries now opening until 10pm, and podcast classes, University Paris 13 constantly innovates so that students work in the best possible conditions.

Jean-Loup Salzmann
President of the University of Paris 13



University Paris 13 is one of the thirteen universities which succeeded the Sorbonne after 1968. Today, the university has over 22,000 students enrolled on initial or continuing professional education courses.

It is based in the Northern outskirts of Paris on four campuses:

VILLETANEUSE CAMPUS

(4 departments (UFR) + 1 Institute of Technology (IUT) + 1 Engineering School)

SAINT-DENIS CAMPUS

(1 IUT)

BOBIGNY CAMPUS

(1 UFR + 1 IUT)

LA PLAINE SAINT-DENIS

(annexe of the Saint-Denis IUT)

The university consists of nine departments:

- **UFR Lettres, Sciences de l'Homme et des Sociétés** (UFR LSHS) – Department of Arts, Humanities and Science of Society
 - **UFR Sciences de la communication** (UFR COM) – Department of Communication Sciences
 - **UFR Sciences économiques et de gestion** (UFR SEG, formerly UFR ECO) – Department of Economics and Management
 - **UFR Droit, sciences politiques et sociales** (UFR DSPS) – Department of Law, Political and Social Sciences
 - **UFR Santé, Médecine et Biologie Humaine** (UFR SMBH) – Department of Health, Medicine and Human Biology
 - **Institut Galilée**
 - **Villetaneuse Institute of Technology** (IUT VIL)
 - **Saint-Denis Institute of Technology** (IUT STD)
 - **Bobigny Institute of Technology** (IUT BOB)
- plus one academic unit:**
- **Département d'Activités Physiques et Sportives** (DAPS) – Physical Activities and Sports

Five main fields of study:

- HUMAN AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
- SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGIES, HEALTH
- CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION
- LAW, ECONOMICS, MANAGEMENT
- ARTS, LITERATURE AND LANGUAGES

More than 200 national diplomas:

- **20 Bachelor Degrees**
- **16 university diplomas of technology** (DUT)
- **19 Professional degrees**
- **74 Master's degrees** (majors and specialisations)
- **4 engineering qualifications**
- **43 PhDs**
- **1 State MD diploma** (doctor of medicine),
- **5 qualifications in medicine,**
- **3 certificates of specialised training** (AFS),
- **1 certificate of advanced specialised training** (AFSA)
- **16 complementary diplomas** (DESC) and **specialised diplomas** (DES)
- **2 diplomas for access to academic studies** (DAEU) (+ 1 pre-DAEU),
- **1 legal qualification, 5 preparatory courses for entrance examinations**
- **46 university diplomas** (mainly in medicine)

University Paris 13 gives high priority to research through numerous laboratories which guarantee the quality, pluridisciplinarity, originality and applicability (the 4 «tys») of the work done by teachers and researchers:

HUMAN AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Centre d'Études sur les Nouveaux Espaces Littéraires – CENEL
(Centre for Studies into New Literary Areas)
- Centre de Recherche sur les Espaces, les Sociétés et les Cultures – CRESC
(Centre for Research into Areas, Societies and Cultures)
- Centre de Recherches Interculturelles sur les Domaines Anglophones et Francophones – CRIDAF (Intercultural Research Centre into English - and French-speaking Fields)
- Centre de Recherches interuniversitaires, expérience, ressources culturelles – EXPERICE (Interuniversity Research Centre into Experiences and Cultural Resources)
- Institut de Recherche Interdisciplinaire sur les enjeux Sociaux – IRIS (INSERM & CNRS)
(Institute for interdisciplinary Research into Social Challenges)
- Laboratoire des Sciences de l'Information et de la Communication – LabsIC (CNRS)
(Information and Communication Sciences Laboratory)
- Laboratoire Lexiques, Dictionnaires, Informatique – LDI
(Lexica, Dictionaries and IT Laboratory)
- Laboratoire de Pédagogie de la Santé – LPS
(Health Teaching Laboratory)
- Unité Transversale de Recherches : Psychogénèse et psychopathologie, psychologie, psychanalyse, anthropologie – UTRPP
(Transversal Research Unit: Psychogenesis and Psychopathology, Psychology, Psychoanalysis and Anthropology)

LAW, ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

- Institut de Recherches en Droit des Affaires – IRDA (Business Law Research Institute)
- Centre d'Économie de l'Université Paris-Nord – CEPN (CNRS)
(Paris-North University Economics Centre)
- Centre d'Études et de Recherches Administratives et Politiques – CERAP (Centre for Administrative and Political Studies & Research)
- Centre de Recherche sur les Actions Locales – CERAL
(Centre for Research into Local Action Initiatives)

MATHEMATICS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - SIGNAL

- Laboratoire analyse, géométrie et applications – LAGA (CNRS)
(Analysis, Geometry and Applications Laboratory)
- Laboratoire d'Informatique de Paris-Nord – LIPN
(Paris-North IT Laboratory)
- Laboratoire du Traitement et Transport de l'Information - L2TI
(Information Transport and Processing Laboratory)

PHYSICS - MATERIALS

ENGINEERING SCIENCES

- Laboratoire de Physique des Lasers – LPL (CNRS) (Laser Physics Laboratory)
- Laboratoire d'Ingénierie des Matériaux et des Hautes Pressions – LIMHP (CNRS)
(Materials and High Pressures Engineering Laboratory)
- Laboratoire des Propriétés Mécaniques et Thermodynamiques des Matériaux – LPMTM (CNRS) (Laboratory for Research into the Mechanical and Thermodynamic Properties of Materials)

ETHOLOGY

- Laboratoire d'Éthologie Expérimentale et Comparée – LEEC (CNRS) (Laboratory for Experimental and Comparative Ethology)

HEALTH - MEDICINE

HUMAN BIOLOGY - CHEMISTRY

- Adaptateur de Signalisation en Hématologie – ASIH (INSERM)
(Signalling Adaptor in Haematology)
- Physiopathologie et biothérapies de la polyarthrite rhumatoïde - LI2P (Physiopathology and Biotherapies of Rheumatoid Polyarthritis)
- Laboratoire Acides Nucléiques, Biosciences et Photonique – ANBIOPHI (CNRS)
(Nucleic Acid, Biosciences and Photonics Laboratory)
- Laboratoire Chimie, structures et propriétés des biomatériaux et d'agents thérapeutiques – CSPBAT (CNRS) (Chemistry, Structures and Properties of Biomaterials and Therapeutic Agents Laboratory)
- Laboratoire de bio-ingénierie cardiovasculaire pour la thérapie et pour l'imagerie médicale – LBPC (INSERM) (Laboratory of Cardiovascular Bionengineering for Therapy and Medical Scanning)
(in association with University Paris 7)
- Laboratoire d'informatique médicale et bioinformatique - LIM & BIO (Medical IT and Bioinformatics Laboratory)
- Réponses cellulaires et fonctionnelles à l'hypoxie – LRPH (Cellular and Functional Responses to Hypoxia)
- Unité de recherche en épidémiologie nutritionnelle – UREN (INSERM & INRA)
(Nutritional Epidemiology Research Unit)



WITH THE CAMPUS CONDORCET,
THE UNIVERSITY OF PARIS 13 IS ALSO
THE LEADING EUROPEAN ACADEMIC HUB
IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES.

By joining the Condorcet Campus, Paris 13 became part of the leading European cluster for human and social sciences.

By 2012, the campus will bring together more than 12,000 students including some 4,000 PhD students on a 130,000 m² site located on land in Aubervilliers, La Plaine (Condorcet-1) and Paris, at the Porte de la Chapelle (Condorcet-2). The institution will comprise the most prestigious French schools and universities in Human Sciences including EHESS, EPHE, University Paris 1 - Panthéon-Sorbonne, University Paris 8 - Vincennes-Saint-Denis, the Ecole Nationale des Chartes, and obviously University Paris 13. The Condorcet Campus is becoming a centre of excellence boasting international outreach.



3D view
of the «Maison des Sciences de l'Homme Paris Nord»



With the PRES Sorbonne Paris Cité, University Paris 13 confirms its position in global scientific competition

The PRES Sorbonne Paris Cité (Pôle de Recherche et d'Enseignement Supérieur – Research and Higher Education Cluster), in which University Paris 13 is a member, is part of a process to enhance the efficiency of projects and to pool skills. The PRES is a consortium of eight academic institutions: thus, University Paris 13 joins forces with the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Santé Publique, the Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris, the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (Inalco), the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po), and the Universities Paris-3 Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris-5 Descartes and Paris-7 Diderot.

By pooling interests and resources, and by sharing governance and educational projects it will help to boost the efficiency and attractiveness of higher education throughout the Paris region, in a variety of fields such as science, law and humanities. **Some 120,000 students including 6,700 PhD students and 5,650 research teachers are concerned by this initiative.** The PRES Sorbonne Paris Cité will be a means of developing a confederal university with international influence, making each member institution more competitive and significantly increasing interaction and synergy with the region's entire social and economic fabric.

An engineering school, a university and research all on one campus



The Institut Galilée, one of the nine academic departments of University Paris 13, focuses on learning and research in mathematics, physics, chemistry and information technology.

The ambitious research policy relies on eight laboratories.

A wide range of studies are available: degree and master's courses, preparation for French teaching diplomas (CAPES and agrégation), and PhDs (1,400 students in total). On the Villeteaneuse campus, the institute accommodates the engineering school Sup Galilée primarily specialising in networks, IT, applied mathematics and energy physics.

Sup Galilée was one of the first engineering schools to be created within a French university. Like the American model, proximity between an engineering school and the academic and research world is an undeniable comparative advantage.

Institutes of technology (IUT) develop on every front



University Paris 13 has three institutes of technology (IUT) integrated into the regional and national networks of IUTs. They are respectively located on the Bobigny, Saint-Denis and Villeteaneuse campuses. 1,700 students are enrolled in the Villeteaneuse IUT on initial courses (traditional studies and sandwich courses) and continuing education courses in five departments: IT, Networks and Telecommunications, Electrical Engineering and Industrial IT, Business and Administration Management (GEA).

Created in 1968, the Saint-Denis IUT (2,000 students on two sites) has three tertiary departments (one Business and Administration Management (GEA) and two Marketing Techniques), plus five secondary departments since 1978 (Measurements, Mechanical Engineering and CIM, Health, Safety and the Environment, Industrial Engineering and Maintenance, Materials Sciences and Engineering).

For its part, the Bobigny IUT has three departments: Social Careers, Business and Administration Management (GEA) and Communication services and networks.







KEY DISCIPLINES

Towards a fully polydisciplinary Health – Medicine – Human Biology centre

The UFR Santé Médecine Biologie Humaine (department of Health, Medicine and Human Biology) offers courses and research in medicine as well as life sciences, health and social sciences and science and techniques of physical activities and sport (STAPS). Together with the core clinical activities of the hospital group, this polydisciplinary round-up contributes to the development of several levels of research in health. Fundamental research concentrates on physics and chemistry in biomaterials and nanoparticles (CNRS 3043) and bioengineering (INSERM 698); translational research is primarily represented in oncohematology (INSERM 978), metabolism and nutrition (INSERM 557), thorax, hepatology, inflammatory rheumatologic diseases. Cross-disciplinary themes are more specific to the UFR, such as sociology and public health (INSERM 997), or sport and health.

In terms of teaching, and outside initial studies which form the basis of the hospital-university relationship, there is particular development in continuing education, especially in therapeutic education.

These roles are in line with the PRES Sorbonne Paris Cité initiative and the enhancement of the contribution made by University Paris 13 to the Seine Saint Denis health region.





SAIC – SUPPORT FOR ENTERPRISING RESEARCHERS

The Service des Activités Industrielles et Commerciales (SAIC) of Paris 13 builds bridges between university research and its professional applications, offering special support to researchers keen to turn their results into reality.

The SAIC offers assistance with all the problems researchers encounter in their dealings with the economic world: submitting to RFPs, filing and managing patents, drafting and negotiating contracts, and participating in commercial development (schemes and incubators), etc. Alongside the promotion and transfer of technology, each year the SAIC runs the business creation competition open to all students from Paris 13, from third-year degree to PhD level. They compete in mixed teams with representatives of scientific subjects and social sciences. The Service also facilitates the recruitment of contract staff to contribute to the efficiency of the projects conducted. Since it was created in 2002, no less than 300 contracts have been set up with the help of the SAIC. And the gateways built to the economic world look set to grow stronger in future.



Research laboratories striving for excellence

University Paris 13 places great emphasis on the quality, pluridisciplinarity, originality and applicability of the research work done by teachers and researchers, guaranteeing the same standard in its research units and training courses. Research here focuses on four main disciplines: Law (public and private law, political sciences) and Economics (economy and management) - Literature, Humanities and Social Sciences – Life Sciences (biology, medicine, health) – Hard sciences (mathematics, IT, physics, chemistry, engineering sciences). Relying on thirty-two laboratories, half of which are backed by national research organisations (CNRS, Inserm, INRA) and more than half of which are rated A or A+ by the national rating agency (AERES), two multidisciplinary doctoral schools teach some 500 PhD students, one in Hu-

man Sciences (Ecole doctorale Erasme) and the other (Ecole doctorale Galilée) in Hard and Life Sciences (sciences, technologies, health).

Like these laboratories, the PhD courses feature a significant European and international dimension. They also offer a range of vocational courses both for careers in the academic sector and in the corporate world. All PhD research and training is coordinated by the Bureau de la Recherche et des Etudes Doctorales (BRED), under the supervision of the Vice-President of the Scientific Council. Lastly, the Service des Relations Européennes et Internationales (SREI – European and international relations department) encourages exchanges between teachers and researchers in several scientific networks of which University Paris 13 is a part.

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SCIENCE OF SOCIETY

Salle des Périod



Combining tradition, modernity and new technologies

The UFR Lettres, Sciences de l'Homme et des Sociétés (LSHS – arts, humanities and science of society) of University Paris 13 focuses on education, research and preparation for the working world in all of its disciplines: psychology, French (language and literature), history, geography, education sciences and foreign languages (English, Spanish, French as a foreign language and applied foreign languages).

These courses set out to combine tradition (Latin, old French, literature, history) and modernity by being open to new technologies, to foreign countries (accommodating foreign students) and to the working world (professional master's degrees). The UFR LSHS also runs preparatory courses for French teacher training (primary and secondary school teachers) and will soon offer preparatory courses for cultural entrance examinations to the territorial public service (libraries and documentation), and to schools of journalism.

Particularly keen to provide students with educational support, the UFR LSHS has had a tutorial system for over ten years. First-year degree students are able to attend specific classes in the discipline "Quality of expression" with the help of a tutor. The UFR also runs French as a Foreign Language, a refresher course for foreign students wishing to study in France. Furthermore, since September 2010, the UFR has been offering a first- and second-year preparatory class for entrance to the Ecole Normale Supérieure in partnership with Lycée Monod in Enghien-les-Bains. The UFR leverages every opportunity available to enhance its range of courses (online learning) and thus give students the chance to obtain a high standard of scientific and professional training to facilitate their move into the working world.

All students at the UFR can pursue their studies further through a vocational or a research master's degree course.

Vocational courses for future communication specialists

The UFR Sciences de la Communication (department of Communication Sciences) runs one Research Master's degree plus a broad choice of vocational master's degrees.

After the three-year degree course in Information and Communication, students can specialise in numerous fields at master's level, grouped together under "Culture and Communication", a "joint domain" with University Paris 8 since 2007. These Master's degrees in "Information and Communication" are particularly popular with - and recognised by - professionals. Each year, some six hundred firms (including consultancies, communications companies, publishers, public and cultural organisations, etc.) offer our students opportunities to gain work experience. Two out of three students sign an employment contract in the year after graduation. This success is due to the

all-round quality education they receive, their in-depth knowledge of the professional sphere and sound command of information and communication technologies (4 IT rooms, including 1 language lab). These efforts to attain professional standards go hand in hand with the development of research through the department's laboratory, the LABSIC (laboratory of information and communication sciences), in connection with the Maison des Sciences de l'Homme Paris Nord. Together with the excellent courses, this extensive partnership makes the UFR a natural contributor to the "Cap Digital" international competitiveness cluster.

The department's small size, in terms of student numbers (875), means the staff and the numerous teaching professionals are able to work closely with our future graduates.

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COMMUNICATION SCIENCES

Special access to the legal and economic professions



The UFR de Droit (department of law) brings together 13,400 students, 70 teachers and 24 administrative staff members.

This department focuses on law and political and social sciences. Law is the prevailing discipline and the department prepares students for the main legal professions (lawyer, judge, legal advisor, public officer, etc.).

Within the framework of the French LMD system (bachelor's degree, master's degree, PhD), it awards the following qualifications: Degree in law, Master's in private law (business, litigation, social law, labour law) and Public law (general, international and European).

The UFR also runs an AES (economic and social administration) degree course with three options: administration and local and regional authorities, social development and international commerce) and a degree in political sociology.

In addition to the master's degrees in law, the UFR runs cross-cutting, multidisciplinary master's courses (international relations and trade, public action and local development) and encourages international exchanges (Erasmus, Socrates, Tempus, Leonardo, Micefa, etc.). In terms of research, the Faculty of Law, Political and Social Sciences of University Paris 13 currently comprises three legal research centres (business law, public administration and tax, and international law).

The UFR Sciences économiques et de Gestion (department of economics and management) has almost 2,000 students and runs courses supported by research, namely with a partner laboratory of the CNRS, the CEPN (Centre d'Économie Paris Nord). Many of the qualifications are directed at professional integration: apprenticeship, joint diplomas with foreign institutions (Canada, China, Scotland, etc.), and the MIEF degree (Mathematics and IT applied to the Economy and Finance) in association with the Institut Galilée. The first and second years (L1 and L2) of the degree in Economics and Management (Licence Sciences Économiques et de Gestion) are structured on the basis of targeted course credits in Economics, Management, Mathematics, Statistics and Modern Languages. Three majors are possible in the third year: Market economy and international finance, Management Sciences, and Banking/Finance/Insurance. Out of the master's degrees on offer, there are 4 majors and 11 specialisations. Moreover, the UFR has developed numerous national and international partnerships in recent years with large corporations, prestigious academic institutions and foreign universities. One particularly noteworthy partnership is "Double ascension" with the ESCP Europe which gives students from technical courses the opportunity, during the last year of the degree in management, to prepare for their admission to the Master's cycle of this prominent business school. Lastly, the department of Economics and Management is among the top five French faculties of economics in the European ranking (CHE Excellence Ranking 2009), out of the 100 European faculties ranked.



LAW AND ECONOMICS



Villetaneuse campus

University Paris 13 develops extremely strong international relations

International mobility of students and teachers is a major asset for the value of diplomas and a necessity for research. That's why international academic and scientific cooperation is a strong focus in the university's development.

The Service des Relations Européennes et Internationales provides research teachers and students with advice about funding, logistics support for their time abroad, and information on RFPs in international cooperation.

Actions are based on reliable bilateral agreements, aiming for long-term cooperation and targeting certain parts of the world, i.e. emerging nations in Asia and Latin America, Europe, and the USA in particular.

In terms of student mobility, our University has chosen to integrate wide-reaching institutional schemes such as Erasmus for European exchanges, the Mission Interuniversitaire de Coordination des Echanges Franco-américains (MICEFA), and the CREPUQ student exchange program (Conférence des recteurs et des principaux des universités du Québec).

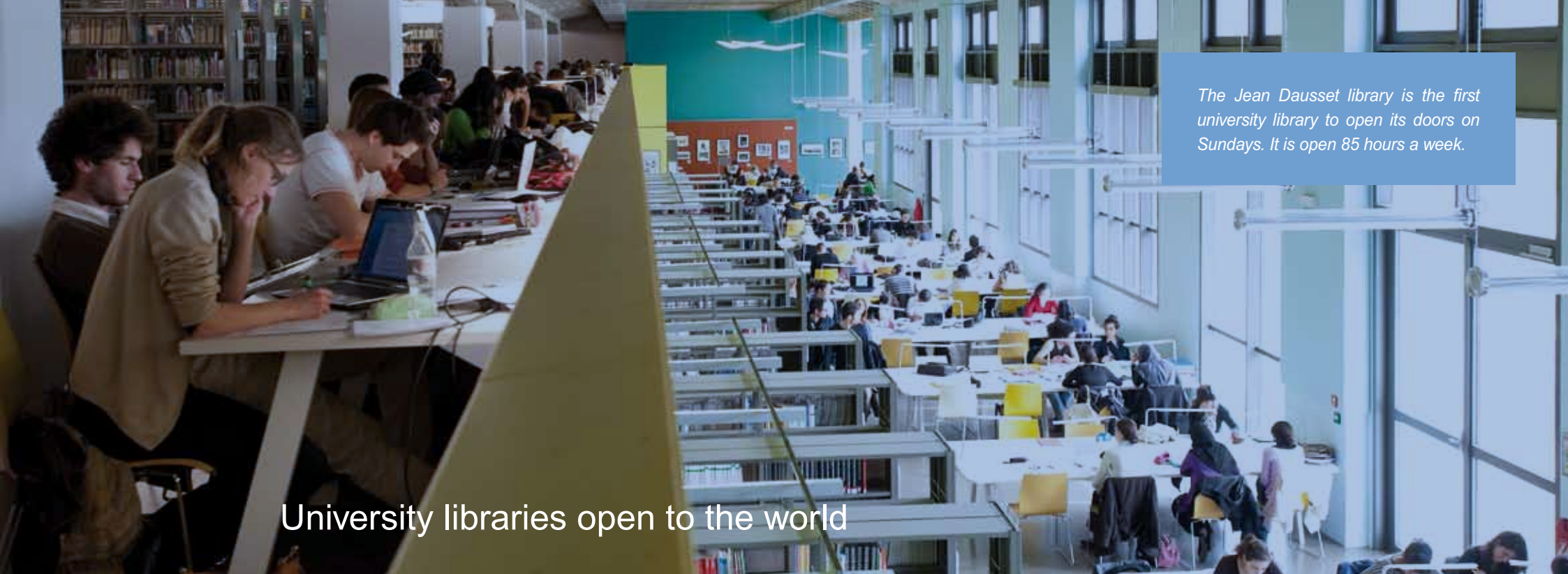
To help non-French speaking students fit in and to help our own students improve their foreign language skills, University Paris 13 has a language centre and runs a French course for foreign students with a view to them gradually moving towards their chosen speciality.

Students obtain a qualification at the end of this course called the DUETI.

More than 50 bilateral agreements open the doors to joint degree and master's degree courses allowing students to attend a vocational course in a partner institution and thus obtain a double diploma. Under these specific framework programmes, teaching staff can also initiate new scientific cooperation, teach abroad, welcome professors and develop theses under joint tutorship.

Students wishing to benefit from this international component can receive grants (Erasmus, Ile-de-France regional council, Val d'Oise county council and Department of Education).

University Paris 13 develops extremely strong international relations.



The Jean Dausset library is the first university library to open its doors on Sundays. It is open 85 hours a week.

University libraries open to the world

University Paris 13 boasts three university libraries (BU): two on the Ville-taneuse campus (Law, Arts and Sciences) and one on the Bobigny campus (BU Jean Dausset). Students now have access to a brand new library on the Bobigny campus in superb buildings formerly occupied by the journal L'illustration. The former "Hall de la brochure mécanique" from the 1930s has given way to a gem of modern architecture which opened on October 2009: the Jean Dausset library. Outstanding on more than one count, it offers university students and researchers 504 consultation seats, 2,000 linear metres of books with unrestricted access (the prevailing theme is Urban Life / Health / Society) and has recorded a very high and constantly increasing

"occupation rate" since it opened. In fact, each seat is occupied four times a day on average, which means that more than 2,000 students come to work there every day. Open 85 hours a week, i.e. well above the European standard of 75 hours a week¹, the Jean Dausset library, along with thirty other university libraries in France, will take full advantage of the "noctanBU" label introduced by the French Ministry for Higher Education and Research to offer students unique opening times in France including Sundays. Furthermore, students can also visit the libraries associated with the university: the library of the Saint-Denis IUT, the Centre Fédéral de Recherche en Droit (CFRD), the research library in Mathematics / IT, the UFR libraries and those of the Laboratories.



FORUM
ÉTUDIANTS
ENTREPRISES

ACCUEIL

Student/Business Forum – Villeteuse campus

Facilitate student integration into the working world

Integration of students into the working world has always been a strategic priority at University Paris 13. This aspect is managed by the Bureau d'Aide à l'Insertion Professionnelle (BAIP – integration support office), one of the three public divisions of the SCUIO-IP (Service Commun Universitaire d'Information, d'Orientation et d'Insertion Professionnelle). The office acts as an intermediary between the academic and working world to stimulate and implement measures in favour of professional integration.

In collaboration with representatives from the working world, the BAIP strives to provide students with effective help according to their needs.

To fulfil these aims, methodology workshops (CVs, covering letters, interview preparation, coaching, etc.) and meetings with companies (student/company forums) are organised throughout the year. As the university comprises three institutes of technology, one engineering school (Sup-Galilée) and numerous vocational courses (professional degrees and master's degrees), strong ties have been developed with the professional world over the years. Along the same lines, the network of former students has been reactivated since 2010 by means of a Web 2.0 platform to foster contact between students.

FORUMS TO CREATE CLOSER CONTACT BETWEEN FIRMS AND STUDENTS IN SEARCH OF WORK EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

Every year in October, University Paris 13 organises a student/company forum to strengthen relations with the various economic players operating in the region. More than forty firms, representing a whole array of business sectors and jobs, come directly to meet with the students. Via conferences, workshops and talks, students and young graduates from the university are able to come into direct contact with recruitment officers.

Supporting the professionalisation of partner company employees

For many years now, University Paris 13 has had sustained relations with the firms operating in the area (Generali, BNP-Paribas, Danone, CapGemini, La Banque Postale, etc.). In line with their corporate values and social responsibility, these companies take action by stepping up their commitment to young people's employment and training. They offer work placements, sandwich contracts and jobs to students, apprentices and trainees from the University. At the same time, University Paris 13 has developed an active policy in continuing education for the professional world.

Continuing education and accreditation for all

The continuing education policy in force at University Paris 13 aims to guarantee and facilitate access to its training courses.

Each of the departments (UFR and institutes) implements solutions geared to the needs of individuals, local authorities and businesses, by relying on the university's resources and potential in education and research. From the DAEU (diploma for admission to university studies) to the master's degrees, via basic qualifications in Law and Management, all of our full-time or sandwich courses are open to people resuming their studies. These students also receive personalised support. For applicants who do not have the required qualification to join the course corresponding to their project, it may be possible to consider an accreditation of prior learning and experience (APL) procedure.

Furthermore, close links have been developed between the university's research laboratories and companies in terms of technology transfers and patent applications.

Within the framework of the four-year plan initiated in 2009, University Paris 13 places great emphasis on developing apprenticeship training. The university thus intends to continue and extend partnerships with companies, particularly in the services sector and audiovisual production.

In support of the university departments, the CeDIP (Centre du Developpement et d'Ingenierie de la Professionnalisation – career development and professionalisation centre) is responsible for initiating and taking action for adults wishing to resume their education. It is in charge of the accreditation of prior learning and experience (APL) which, each year, enables applicants to secure a university diploma thanks to their real-life experience. Via information and communication technologies for education, the CeDIP provides online support tools (methodologies, tutoring, etc.) available to all applicants returning to the academic world. At University Paris 13, the CeDIP builds partnerships with institutions, companies, professional sectors, financial backers, associations and any other structure. These partnerships aim to foster access to higher education and to improve professional skills and access to employment.

TRUSTED RELATIONSHIPS
WITH ALL COMPANIES IN THE AREA



STUDENT SPORT IS GREATLY REPRESENTED ON CAMPUS

6,000 students take part in sports on University Paris 13 campuses!

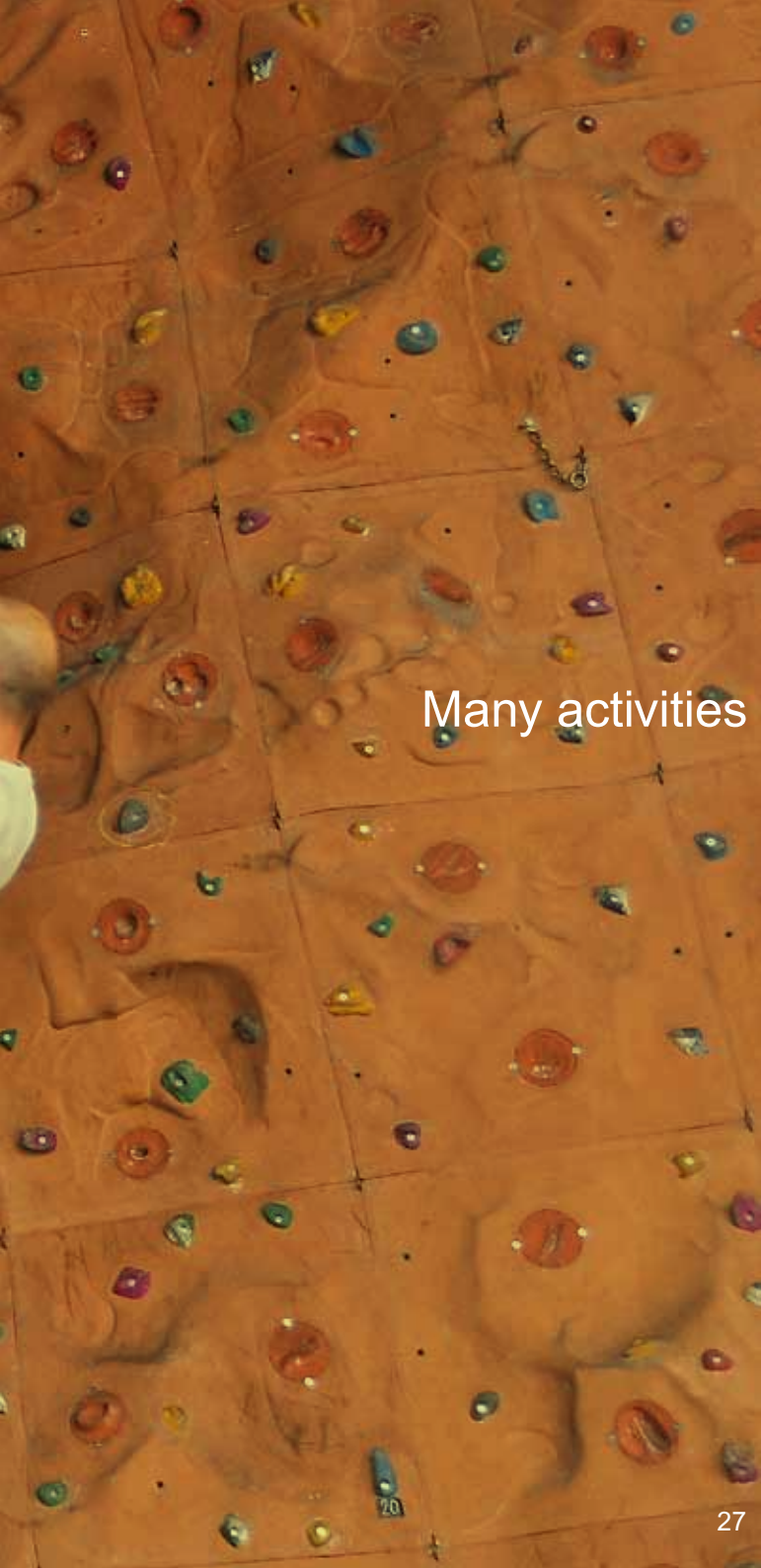
This remarkable performance is the result of a tradition of sports established from the outset at the university. Each year, 1,800 students on degree, technology, preparatory or engineering courses receive sports credits, rewarding their involvement in the university's sports activities. The department of physical activities and sport (DAPS) runs the classes and also initiates or trains more than 3,500 students in over 40 different sports on offer throughout the year (on a semester or intensive course basis).

In terms of figures, the university can boast 425 sports federation members and 22 teams in disciplines such as tennis, judo, archery, orienteering, athletics, etc. which represent Paris 13 in national university championships and in several international tournaments (Milan, Eindhoven, Agadir, etc.). Other activities taught on campus include salsa, hip hop, American football, capoeira, roller skating, acrobatics, circus arts and urban cycling.

30% of students play sports at amateur or competition level

Illustration gymnasium - Bobigny campus





CULTURE ENHANCES STUDENT LIFE

The Service de l'Action Culturelle et Artistique (culture and arts service) runs workshops in parallel to the academic courses, supports cultural initiatives taken by students and organises cultural activities and events throughout the year on the various campuses: European university festival of contemporary dance, Ciné-Banlieue Festival, concerts, conferences, exhibitions, etc. The cultural and artistic activities can be freely attended on a regular basis, or as

part of academic studies into which they are integrated and validated within the framework of the student's course. Examples of cultural workshops include: the art of stained-glass, Web workshop, plastic arts, short film making, dance and choreography, event organisation and management, history of art, history of cinema, jazz, journalism, sign language, traditional West African percussion, photography, piano, poetry, drama and singing.

Many activities to enhance and punctuate student life

Through the Service Accueil et Vie Pratique (student life department), University Paris 13 offers students a wide range of services and resources to make life on the four campuses easier (induction meetings, methodology advice, educational support, etc.). Managed by the Commission sociale d'établissement consisting of qualified members and students, the FSDIE (Fonds Soutien Initiative Etudiante – student initiative support fund), which is partly funded by student enrolment

fees, provides financial aid for student projects (culture, arts, sports, humanitarian or community work). The Commission Sociale meets several times a year to examine applications for funding for group projects submitted by students. Furthermore, the Service Culturel provides attractive and competitive offers all year long. In sports, the DAPS organises and manages sports activities on all the campuses which are assessed as part of the different courses of study.

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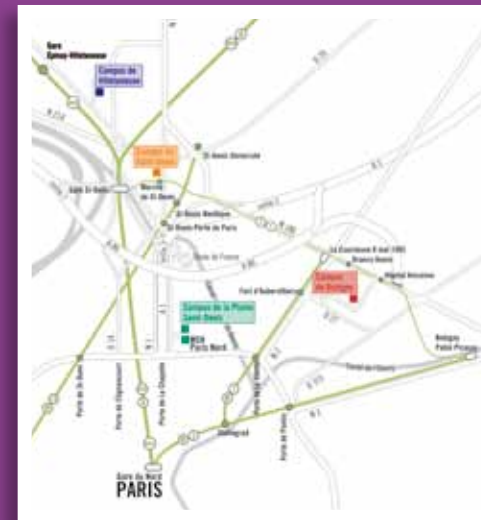
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