

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The International Master's Program (Master 2) in Oceanography and Applications is jointly accredited by the University of Abomey-Calavi (UAC, Benin) and the University of Toulouse (UT, France). Hosted by the International Chair in Mathematical Physics and Applications (CIPMA, a UNESCO Chair) at UAC, it forms one of the three academic tracks within the Master's Program in "Ocean, Atmosphere and Climate Sciences" (SOAC) offered by UT.

Since 2008, this program has provided more than 150 students from West Africa, Central Africa, and France with the opportunity to acquire or deepen their knowledge in marine physics, chemistry, and biology.

Designed for both French-speaking and English-speaking students, the program covers a broad spectrum of disciplines, from ocean circulation theory to oceanographic instrumentation and coastal erosion studies.

For the 2025–2026 academic year, the International Chair in Mathematical Physics and Applications (CIPMA, UNESCO Chair) at the University of Abomey-Calavi is opening applications for a new cohort of students.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the program will be well-equipped to enter a variety of sectors related to marine and environmental sciences, both nationally and internationally. Key career prospects include:

- **Researcher** in oceanography, hydrology, or environmental sciences, working within academic institutions or research organizations.
- Consultant or expert in oceanography, contributing to public agencies, consultancy firms, or international organizations on marine and coastal issues.
- **Research or project engineer** in fields such as meteorology, climatology, oceanography, or environmental management.
- Specialist in oceanic and coastal dynamics, with expertise in the analysis, modeling, and management of coastal environments in the context of climate change and sustainable development.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The selection is open to students holding a Master 1 degree or an equivalent qualification in the following fields:

- Physics,
- Mathematics,
- Environmental Sciences,
- Hydrology, and related disciplines.



DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

- 1. Motivation letter
- 2. Updated Curriculum Vitae
- 3. Copies of university degrees
- 4. Copies of academic transcripts (High School Diploma, Bachelor's, and Master 1)
- 5. Copy of birth certificate
- 6.A letter from the academic supervisor indicating grades, average, and class ranking, if Master 1 or Master 2 transcripts are not yet available.

A payment of 15,000 FCFA, corresponding to the application processing fee, is required. It must be made via a money transfer service (Western Union, MoneyGram, etc.) to the order of BALOITCHA Ezinvi, phone: +229 01 66 48 27 72.

The transfer receipt, or a screenshot showing the MTCN code, must be uploaded when completing the application form.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Applications must be submitted exclusively online and no later than June 30, 2025, via the following link.:

https://framaforms.org/candidature-m2soac-oa-1685913567

Limited number of scholarships: A limited number of scholarships are available. Applicants are therefore strongly encouraged to submit a strong and competitive application.

International internship: An internship opportunity in France may be offered to selected students based on their academic performance

USEFUL CONTACTS

For any questions regarding the program or the application process, please contact:

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