

Prospects for training and research in the field of Turco-Iranian studies in France

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Turco-Iranian studies in France at the BA level

- Institut national des langues et civilisations orientales (Inalco) : Two BAs in Persian and Turkish language, literature and civilisation (Licence de langues, littérature et civilisation étrangères et régionales, LLCER).
- Inalco also offers BAs in Armenian, Georgian, Kurdish, Mongol, and Pashto, as well as elective courses in 7 further languages of the region (Azeri, Kazakh, Kirghiz, Ossetic, Tatar, Uyghur, Uzbek). See <http://www.inalco.fr/formations/departements-filieres-sections/eurasie/formations>.
- The Université de Strasbourg also offers LLCER BAs in Persian (<https://langues.unistra.fr/etudes-persanes>) and Turkish (<https://langues.unistra.fr/etudes-turques>).
- Aix-Marseille Université offers a BA in Applied foreign languages (Langues Étrangères Appliquées, LEA), which is a more vocational degree, in English-Turkish (<https://allsh.univ-amu.fr/licence-LEA-turc>).

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- University degrees (DU) and elective classes in several other French universities:
- Persian: Université de Lille (Diplôme Universitaire de Formation en Langue, 3-year cursus, <https://www.univ-lille.fr/formations/fr-00070453.html>); Université Bordeaux Montaigne (https://www.u-bordeaux-montaigne.fr/fr/formations/offre-de-formation-2016-2020/licence-XA/sciences-du-langage-SCLANG.14/licence-sciences-du-langage-LNS16_316/licence-1-sciences-du-langage-LNS1_116/choix-langue-clbm-LNS2X9/persan-LLZ2Y45.html); Sorbonne Université (<http://sial.paris-sorbonne.fr/persan>).
- Turkish: Université Lyon 3 – Jean Moulin (<https://facdeslangues.univ-lyon3.fr/etudes-turques>); Université Bordeaux Montaigne (https://www.u-bordeaux-montaigne.fr/fr/formations/offre-de-formation-2016-2020/licence-XA/sciences-du-langage-SCLANG.14/licence-sciences-du-langage-LNS16_316/licence-1-sciences-du-langage-LNS1_116/choix-langue-clbm-LNS1X9/turc-LLZ1Y42.html); Université Grenoble Alpes (<https://formations.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/fr/catalogue-2021/formation-courte-qualifiante-FCQ/turc-ITYH56PF.html>).
- Other languages: Armenian at Aix-Marseille Université (<https://allsh.univ-amu.fr/DULC-armenien>); Kurdish at Université de Rouen (<http://lsh.univ-rouen.fr/kurde-574705.kjsp>).

Turco-Iranian studies in France at the MA level

- Institut national des langues et civilisations orientales (Inalco): MAs in Persian and Turkish language, literature and civilisation (Master LLCER), as well as Armenian, Georgian, Kurdish, Mongol, and Pashto.
- The MA in Turkish has a specialty in Ottoman history (Alexandre Toumarkine), Turkish language and literature (Sibel Berk, Timour Muhidine), and Central Asia and the Turco-Persian world (Alexandre Papas and Marc Toutant). See the Master's program here: http://www.inalco.fr/sites/default/files/asset/document/formation_turc_master_llcer_2019-2020.pdf.
- The MA in Persian is mostly specialised in language and literature, notably classical literature (Leili Anvar), contemporary literature (Julie Duvigneau), and translation studies (Amir Moghani). Classes on Iranian linguistics taught by Pollet Samvelian and Agnès Korn can also be attended. See the Master's program here: http://www.inalco.fr/sites/default/files/asset/document/formation_persan_master_llcer_2021-2022.pdf.
- Students at Inalco can also enter vocational Master's degrees in topics like Business, International relations, Translation, etc., in relation to their language of specialty (see <http://www.inalco.fr/formations/formations-diplomes/accueil-formations-diplomes/masters>).

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- The Université de Strasbourg also offers LLCER MAs in Persian and Turkish, as a follow-up to the BA degrees in these languages.
- Headed by Samim Akgönül, the MA in Turkish language, literature and civilisation mostly offers courses in Turkish and Ottoman history (<https://langues.unistra.fr/etudes-turques/#c29266>), while the MA in Persian is headed by Nader Nasiri-Moghaddam and offers courses in Iranian history, notably on the modern and contemporary period, as well as Persian language and linguistics (Agnès Lepneuveu-Hotz). See the Master's program here: <https://langues.unistra.fr/etudes-persanes>.
- Université Sorbonne Nouvelle (Paris): MA in Iranian studies (<http://www.univ-paris3.fr/institut-d-etudes-iraniennes-94568.kjsp>). Specialised classes in modern and contemporary Iran (Oliver Bast), and Islamic studies and classical Persian literature (Ève Feuillebois). (See the Master's program here: http://www.univ-paris3.fr/medias/fichier/brochure-etudes-iraniennes-2020-2021-v-2_1601243419523.pdf) In addition to these classes, the MA holds a monthly seminar on Societies, politics and culture of the Iranian world (org. Amr Ahmed, Sandra Aube, Samra Azarnouche, and Pollet Samvelian), open to anyone interested (see 2020-2021 program here: <https://cermi.cnrs.fr/seminaire-de-recherche/societes-politiques-cultures-du-monde-iranien-2020-2021>).

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- The École Pratique des Hautes Études (EPHE) and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) also offer classes on the Turco-Iranian world in their respective Master's degrees.
- The EPHE is a member of Paris Sorbonne Lettres university, and students get a degree from PSL. Four degrees are relevant to our topic: Art history and archaeology (<https://www.ephe.psl.eu/formations/master/master-histoire-de-l-art-et-archeologie>), Asiatic studies (<https://www.ephe.psl.eu/formations/master/master-etudes-asiatiques>), Civilisations, cultures, and societies (<https://www.ephe.psl.eu/formations/master/master-civilisations-cultures-et-sociétés>), and Religious sciences and society (<https://www.ephe.psl.eu/formations/master/master-sciences-des-religions-et-societe-srs>).
- EPHE students as well as outside students can attend several classes related to the Turco-Iranian world, notably on philology and history of Mughal India (Françoise Delvoye), on Philology and historiography of the Caucasus (Jean-Pierre Mahé), on Ottoman studies (Nicolas Vatin, Özgür TÜresay), as well as on history and philology of pre-Islamic Iran (Wouter Henkelman, Philip Huyse, Georges-Jean Pinault). On the topic of religion, the offer is wide-ranging, from Shi'ite Islam (Mohammad-Ali Amir Moezzi, Christian Jambet) to mysticism (Pierre Lory), Eastern Christianity (Bernard Heyberger) and Zoroastrian studies (Samra Azarnouche).

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- The EHESS offers a MA in Social sciences, with 17 specialities, one of which is Asiatic studies (<https://www.ehess.fr/fr/master-paris>). EHESS students and outsiders can attend a number of conferences, several of which can be of interest to our audience, on contemporary Turkey (Emmanuel Szurek, Marc Aymes, Hamit Bozarslan), on the modern and contemporary Caucasus (Claire Mouradian), on Persianate Southeast Asia (Fabrizio Speziale), and on medieval and contemporary Central Asia (Étienne de la Vaissière, Vincent Fourniau, Isabelle Ohayon, Julien Thorez).
- The Collège de France also offers a series of conferences on pre-Islamic Iran and Central Asia (Frantz Grenet), open for anyone to attend (see <https://www.college-de-france.fr/site/frantz-grenet/course-2020-2021.htm>). Classes on ancient languages of the Middle East and Islamic arts can also be attended at the Institut Catholique de Paris (<https://www.icp.fr>) and the École du Louvre (<http://www.ecoledulouvre.fr>).
- Université Aix-Marseille (Aix-en-Provence): MA in Society and Languages (Langues et sociétés), with a specialty on the Islamic and Arab world (Mondes arabes, musulman et hamito-sémitique). Classes on the Turco-Iranian world can notably be followed with Juliette Dumas, Homa Lessan Pezechki and Camille Rhoné-Quer. (See the Master's program here: <https://formations.univ-amu.fr/fr/master/5HLS/PRHLS5AC>). The activities of the Group for Iranian Studies of the IREMAM at Aix-Marseille Université are noteworthy, with a series of conferences organised by Homa Lessan Pezechki and Camille Rhoné-Quer (see the program here: <https://iremam.cnrs.fr/spip.php?article6630>), and a seminar on Anatolia, Iran, and Central Asia in the Middle Ages (Michel Balivet, Homa Lessan Pezechki and Camille Rhoné-Quer).

Turco-Iranian studies in France at the PhD level

- Students have to apply at a university, in which they will be a part of a doctoral school. They will conduct their research inside the research unit of their doctoral supervisor. Research units in which students can prepare a PhD on the Turco-Iranian world:
- Centre d'études turques, ottomanes, balkaniques et centrasiatiques (CETOBAC, UMR 8032), Paris, headed by Marc Aymes. Specialities: Ottoman and Turkish history, Central Asia, Balkans. Affiliated to the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), EHESS, and Collège de France. See <http://cetobac.ehess.fr>.
- Centre de recherche sur le monde iranien (CeRMI, UMR 8041), Paris, headed by Maria Szuppe. Specialties: History, geography, literature, linguistics of Iran and Central Asia. Affiliated to the CNRS, EPHE, Inalco, and Université Sorbonne Nouvelle. See <https://cermi.cnrs.fr>.
- Institut de recherches et d'études sur les mondes arabes et musulmans (Iremam, UMR 7310), Aix-en-Provence, headed by Richard Jacquemond. Includes the Group of Iranian studies already mentioned. Affiliated to the CNRS and Aix-Marseille Université. See <https://iremam.cnrs.fr>.

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- Centre d'Études de l'Inde et de l'Asie du Sud (CEIAS, UMR 8564), Paris. Affiliated with CNRS and EHESS. Specialties: India and Pakistan. See <http://ceias.ehess.fr>.
- Centre Asie du Sud-Est (CASE, UMR 8170), Paris. Affiliated with CNRS, EHESS and Inalco. Specialties: Southeast Asia. See <http://case.ehess.fr>.
- Centre d'Études et de Recherche Moyen-Orient, Méditerranée (CERMOM, EA 4091). Affiliated with Inalco. See <http://www.inalco.fr/recherche/cermom>.
- Orient & Méditerranée. Textes, archéologie, histoire (UMR 8167). Affiliated with CNRS, Sorbonne Université, Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne, EPHE and the Collège de France. It include the research team on Medieval Islam, headed by Jean-Pierre Van Staëvel. See <https://www.orient-mediterranee.com>.
- Groupe d'études orientales, slaves et néo-helléniques (GEO, EA 1340), affiliated with Université de Strasbourg. See <http://geo.unistra.fr>.

Turco-Iranian studies in France: Libraries and journals

- Bibliothèque universitaire des langues et civilisations (BULAC), Paris: main library for Turco-Iranian studies in France. Founded in 2012 and headed by Marie-Lise Tzagouria, it notably comprises the important collection of the James Darmesteter library of the Institute of Iranian Studies, formerly at Sorbonne Nouvelle university. The library also has a small collection of Arabic, Persian and Turkish manuscripts. See <https://www.bulac.fr>.
- The Bibliothèque nationale de France (BnF), founded in 1994, is the French national library. Thousands of Persian and Turkish manuscripts are kept in its Department of Manuscripts, and a good number have been digitised and are freely available on Gallica. See <https://www.bnf.fr>, <https://gallica.bnf.fr>.
- Journals: *Abstracta iranica* (<https://journals.openedition.org/abstractairanica>), *Cahiers d'Asie centrale* (<https://journals.openedition.org/asiacentrale>), *European Journal of Turkish Studies* (<https://journals.openedition.org/ejts>), *Studia Iranica* (https://poj.peeters-leuven.be/content.php?url=journal&journal_code=SI), *Turcica* (https://poj.peeters-leuven.be/content.php?url=journal&journal_code=TURC).