

# Documentologie

## Lecturer

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## Course mnemonic

STIC-B410

## ECTS credits

5 credits

## Language(s) of instruction

French

## Course period

First term

## Campus

Solbosch

## Course content

The course covers, on the basis of an "ex cathedra" presentation, numerous recent examples, of student interaction and guided exercises, the design (1), management (2) and operation (3) of a documentation system for automation. This includes the study of documentary languages (a), the "documentary recording chain" including indexing methods (b) and information retrieval (c). An introduction to evaluating and improving data and documents quality will also be presented.

The approach is multi-disciplinary and addresses both users and designers of such systems.

A good mastery of "documentary languages" covers disciplines as varied as linguistics, logic, computer science, information quality analysis, epistemology and archiving, to name but a few examples.

The use of such systems is increasing and raises many strategic scientific, legal and financial issues within companies, institutions and research: law, medicine, transport, human sciences, applied sciences, etc.

The subject matter raises several challenges such as taking into account the meaning evolution of concepts and interpretations over time across cultures depending on the field being addressed, or an open-mindedness that allows a multidisciplinary field to be approached at the confluence of several subjects. The terminology of each of them will be explained during the course.

The course includes the evocation of key areas of research in this field.

## Objectives (and/or specific learning outcomes)

At the end of this teaching unit, the student will master the conceptual and methodological knowledge for the creation and the management of

a documentary system in a multidisciplinary context.

## Pre-requisites and co-requisites

### Courses having this one as pre-requisit

STIC-B501 | Projet : stage en entreprise | 10 crédits and STIC-B510 | Qualité de l'information et des documents numériques | 5 crédits

## Teaching method and learning activities

Lectures complemented with discussions with the students, supervised exercises and reading of scientific papers; course taught in French

## Contribution to the teaching profile

### COMPREHENDING NEW KNOWLEDGE

- Applying methods and techniques acquired during the BA or a previous MA to another field of study by demonstrating intellectual openness
- Acquiring the methodological and practical knowledge necessary to design and manage an information system

### DEEPENING SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE

- Understanding and mastering specialized concepts in the field of Information Science

### BEHAVING PROFESSIONALLY

- Displaying analytical and synthetical thinking, contextualization skills, rigor and consistency
- Demonstrating critical thinking and autonomy

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## Course notes

Syllabus and Université virtuelle

## Other information

### Place(s) of teaching

Solbosch

### Contact(s)

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## Evaluation method(s)

written examination and Personal work

### written examination

Open question with short answer

### Evaluation method(s) (additional information)

The theoretical and practical parts of the course are assessed via a written exam lasting approximately three hours including open questions and exercises. A personal and original comment on the basis of a research article to be produced by each student may also be the subject of an evaluation to be submitted before the exam (theoretical part).

### Determination of the mark (including the weighting of partial marks)

Distribution of the learning activities in the grading system : theoretical part (50%) - practical part (50%)

### Main language(s) of evaluation

French

## Programmes

### Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Letters, Translation and Communication

MA-STIC | **Master in Information and Communication Science and technology** | finalité Professional/unit 1

### Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences

MA-HHIST | **Master in History** | finalité Archiving/unit 2,  
MA-HMUSI | **Master in History of Art and Archaeology : Musicology** | finalité Research/unit 1, finalité Research/unit 2, finalité Teaching/unit 1 and finalité Teaching/unit 2, MA-PETHI | **Master in Ethics** | finalité Professional/unit 2 and MA60-HMUSI | **Master in History of Art and Archaeology : Musicology (60 credits)** | unit U