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**Master in Climate change and Humanity**

**Course name:** Climate Change and Food Security

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**Objectives**

The main objective of this course is to investigate the multi dimensions and complexities of the issue of food insecurity in a climate change context in general and in West Africa in particular. The course aims at fostering a shared understanding of the major drivers of food insecurity and specifically the role of climate variability and changes. The course also introduces some of the technical and institutional options to address the problem in West Africa. The course ends with some examples of initiatives undertaken in West Africa to achieve food security in a climate change context and lastly explores potential research areas relevant for West Africa in the domain.

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**Teaching methods**
Power point presentations
Questions and Answers sessions with students,
Oral test at the end of each chapter

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