

- Creation of François-Rabelais University in 1970
- A public, state-funded institution certified by the Ministry of Higher Education and Research
- A multidisciplinary university fully involved in the European Higher **Education Scheme**
- Over 22,000 students in 2009, including 15,500 taking the first 3-year degree (licence), 5,000 enrolled in a master's program and 1,700 doing a doctorate
- 11000 students in social sciences and humanities
- 2,700 international students (about 12% of total student population)
- 8,000 degrees issued per year
- 1,300 teaching staff
- More than 50 research laboratories



Main fields of research:

Urban sociology

- I Experiments in architecture and living style: Living differently
- Social customs of inhabitants of experimental architecture, social housing, cooperative housing, alternative housing

II - Urban renewal and reorganisation

- Ways of integrating in districts undergoing restructuring, renewal or reorganisation
- Regional management
- Economic heritage solidarity

III - Sustainable urban development

 Social aspects of sustainable urban development, fight against discrimination, social diversity International comparisons

Gender studies

I - Urban studies and gender

- Gender and urban public policies
- Gender and sustainable urban development

II - Modernity and gender

- Changes in social norms
- Gender and work



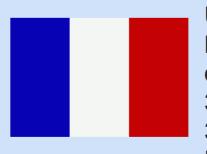
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