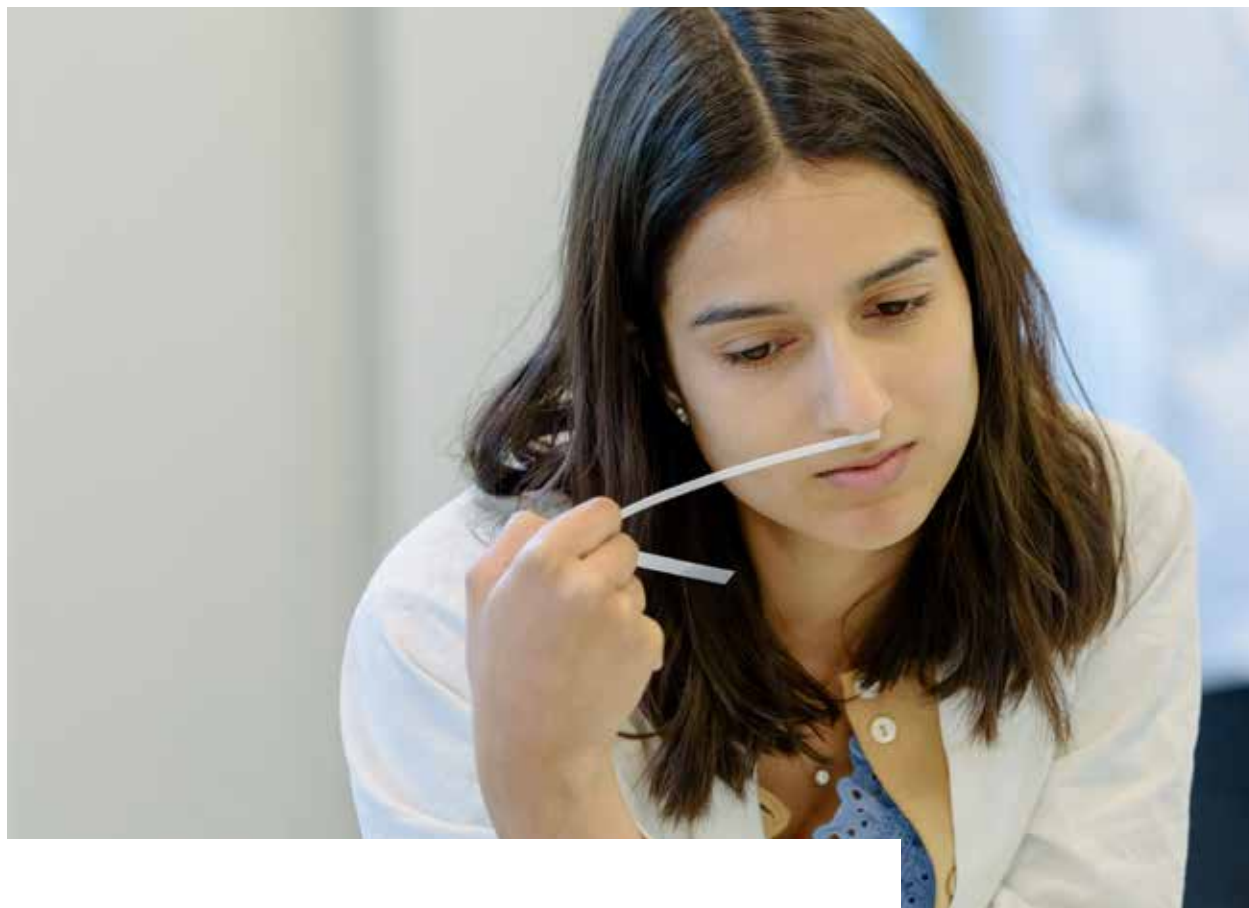


# ISIPCA

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## MSc in Scent Design & Creation

### FORMULATION & APPLICATIONS

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A postgraduate program taught in English

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# Reach your full potential at ISIPCA



ISIPCA is the world leading Graduate School of the Greater Paris Chamber of Commerce and Industry dedicated to Fragrances, Cosmetics and Flavors, located in Versailles and Grasse. It was created in 1970 by Jean-Jacques Guerlain, a descendant of the founder of the iconic Guerlain House.

The quality of the ISIPCA undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate programs is highly recognized by academics, professional bodies and companies.

***The MSc in Scent Design & Creation was created in partnership with IFF to offer the first and only accredited program of its kind. This partnership combines IFF's 130-year creative legacy with the proven academic excellence that has forged ISIPCA.***

ISIPCA is very proud of having trained so many of the world's most successful and influential perfumers, including many at IFF. There is a beautiful symmetry to bringing IFF's talent onto our campus and offering their unique and practical expertise in this new program. Their fresh perspective and proven success will be a valued addition to our offerings

IFF Divisional CEO Scent, Nicolas Mirzayantz adds that "This partnership with ISIPCA is a wonderful opportunity to participate in the training of future perfumers and scent designers. This partnership breaks new ground in our industry, building on IFF's legacy of pioneering firsts. We look forward to expanding and diversifying our fragrance talent pipeline to meet the increasing demand of consumers for new and exciting scent experiences. This is an incredible time for our industry and we are thrilled to partner with ISIPCA to meet the opportunities of the future"

Dr Lydie GUMERY  
Academic Director, ISIPCA

## **The MSc in Scent Design and Creation – a program unlike any other**

**This comprehensive full-time 3-year program immerses students in the foundations and pioneering advances of the world of scent and prepares students for rewarding careers in a range of roles in the dynamic fragrance industry.**

This specialized curriculum is built upon the fundamentals of fine fragrance creation, with foundational instruction in the world of consumer fragrance.

Taught by a vibrant and passionate faculty of industry experts, students gain a deep understanding of the fragrance culture and industry as they learn how to make perfume. Coursework includes intensive and extensive study of raw materials, formulation, history and genealogy of perfume, and marketing — plus consumer insights, personal development and creative workshops.

The program is further enriched with marketing safaris, pedagogical visits to Grasse to experience the mimosa and orange blossom harvests and master classes in olfaction at IFF's Laboratoire Monique Remy, renowned for its pure, natural extracts, and commitment to environmental management and sustainability. IFF Insight sessions provide students behind the scenes views where they meet and interact with perfumers, scent design managers, sales and marketing experts from around the globe, who share their personal perspectives, inspirations and passion. Internships at IFF's global creative centers provide opportunities to transform classroom learning into on-the-job experience.

Graduates of this program will be well prepared for a range of careers including fine or consumer fragrance perfumers, evaluators (scent design managers), technologists, marketing or sales professionals, and many related roles. Recent graduates have found jobs as apprentice perfumers, scent design managers, laboratory technicians.

# Program



## DURATION

3 years



## PLACE

ISIPCA Campus Versailles



## STATUS

September 27, 2022 to  
November 30, 2025



## TRAINING MODALITIES

Full time



## RYTHM

Full-time : Teaching is provided face-to-face and remotely. The program is taught in English.

### Professional periods :

- 1st year : 2-Month worldwide Internship focuses on retail (between June 2023 to september 2023)
- 2nd year : 4-Months worldwide Internship focuses on technical (between January 2024 to April 2024)
- 3rd year : 5 to 6-Months worldwide Internship or a work placement focuses on technical (between Mai 2025 to November 2025)



## FEES

Registration fees: 200€

Tuition fees: 30 750€ for  
3 years  
10 250€ per year

## CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Students study over 800 raw materials, followed by formulation of accords during the first two years. In the third year, students are introduced to the consumer fragrance categories of hair care, body care and fabric care. This multi-faceted curriculum provides strong technical olfactive foundation and presents the industry specific knowledge required for a successful career in the world of scent in the global marketplace. The international diversity of this program cultivates interpersonal skills and fosters cross-culture collaboration and relationships – providing the competitive edge to be successful in today's global village.

- Acquire expertise in natural and synthetic raw material olfaction and fragrance composition
- Master the fine and consumer fragrance formulation process
- Demonstrate in-depth and extensive knowledge of global fragrance markets, industry innovation and trends
- Understand safety regulation and technical best practices
- Apply classroom learning while developing professional skill-set during IFF internship with mentor and coach

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

Graduates will have gained these competencies:

- Create fine and consumer fragrance formulae
- Coordinate/manage fragrance creation, formulation and production
- Best practices in perfume laboratories
- Presentation Skills (written and oral)
- Manage projects and work in teams
- Understand and manage customer relationships

## EVALUATION METHODS DURING TRAINING

- Exam
- Oral presentation
- Practical work
- Group project presentation
- Oral internship presentation

## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

The MSc Scent Design and Creation student has the heart of an artist, is inherently curious, and is driven by a fire within to push boundaries. They share the dream to make fragrances and be part of this exciting industry:

- Bachelor level or minimum 2-3 year degree in a scientific field, such as: Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Biochemistry, Biology, Biological Sciences, Botany, Pharmacy & Pharmacology, Mathematics
- A strong desire to work within the Fragrance industry
- The program is taught in English and proficiency is required. English proficiency test scores are required for non-native speakers:  
IELTS: 6.5 or TOEFL iBT: 85 or TOEIC: 850
- For country-specific requirement documents please refer to: [www.isipca.fr](http://www.isipca.fr)

## FUNDING

The registration fees are non-refundable and must be paid online when submitting your application. 30% to be paid upon acceptance

*\*French & European Certification:*

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## Admission Process

- Selection of Application file
- Online Individual motivation Interview
- Candidates who qualify after interview will be invited to an IFF Creative Center for an Olfactive Intelligence Test®, creative presentation, and interview with selection panel
- Campaign start and end dates: November 2021 to June 2022

For the dates of the recruitment sessions, please visit our website [www.isipca.fr](http://www.isipca.fr)

Accessibility for people with physical disabilities : yes

## Enrollment Pack

- Pre-arrival Welcome Book
- Address Book 'Where to get information in your country?'
- Off-Campus Housing Guide

## Welcome Pack

- ISIPCA Buddy Program
- Induction Week
- Collective and/or Individual Support: academic guidance, internship seeking, alumni ambassador

## Contacts

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## A 180-Credit Postgraduate Program

Once you have validated your 180-credit Postgraduate Program, you will earn your MSc in Scent Design and Creation, specialized in fragrance formulation. ISIPCA will also provide you with a 60-credit Diploma Supplement.

The MSc in Scent Design and Creation will open doors for you to pursue your career dreams in the fragrance industry. Follow your dreams and apply!





## Program courses

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| <b>Year 1: Focus on Raw Material &amp; Perfumery Knowledge</b>   | <b>Total Hours: 490</b>   | <b>ECTS: 60</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Raw Material Evaluation I – each student receives a kit of 400 synthetics &amp; naturals samples / Laboratory work</li> <li>· Scent Evaluation in Fine Fragrances, Body Care &amp; Home Care</li> <li>· Perfumery Language &amp; Genealogy – each student receives approx. 175 perfume samples</li> <li>· Laboratory &amp; Perfums Organization - The Perfumers Laboratory</li> <li>· General Chemistry - Raw Material Stability</li> <li>· The Fundamentals of Marketing &amp; the International Fragrance Market</li> <li>· International Regulatory Environment</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Consumer Insight &amp; Sensory Analysis</li> <li>· Perfume History &amp; Stories</li> <li>· Osmothèque</li> <li>· Introduction to IFF &amp; the Fine Fragrance Industry</li> <li>· French Language &amp; Culture</li> <li>· Soft Skills Workshop I: personal &amp; professional self-awareness development</li> <li>· Creative Burst Workshops</li> <li>· IFF Insight Sessions</li> <li>· Pedagogical Trip to Grasse/LMR: Mimosa and olfactive training</li> <li>· <b>Internship I: Consumer facing</b></li> </ul> |                 |
| <b>Year 2: Focus on Raw Material &amp; Fine Fragrance Formulation</b>  | <b>Total Hours: 490</b>   | <b>ECTS: 60</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Raw Material Evaluation II – each student receives a kit of 400 new synthetics &amp; naturals samples / Laboratory work</li> <li>· Fine Fragrance Chemistry</li> <li>· Naturals Raw Materials - Extraction Techniques</li> <li>· Basic Perfumery Formulation – each student receives a kit of 799 basic accords samples</li> <li>· Fine Fragrance Formulation – Schemas</li> <li>· Final Perfumery Project: Fine fragrance brief free creation</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· International Regulatory Environment II</li> <li>· Introduction to Flavor Aromas</li> <li>· Soft Skills Workshop II: business &amp; communication skills</li> <li>· French Language &amp; Culture II</li> <li>· IFF Insight Sessions</li> <li>· Sensorial Design Workshop</li> <li>· Pedagogical Trip to Grasse/LMR: Orange Blossom and olfactive training</li> <li>· <b>Internship II: At an IFF Creative Center</b></li> </ul>   |                 |
| <b>Year 3: Focus on Consumer Fragrance Formulation</b>   | <b>Total Hours: 490</b>   | <b>ECTS: 60</b> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Consumer Fragrance Fundamental Evaluation</li> <li>· Chemistry of Functional Perfumery</li> <li>· Consumer Fragrances Formulation I: Hair Care / Laboratory work</li> <li>· Consumer Fragrances Formulation II: Body Care / Laboratory work</li> <li>· Consumer Fragrances Formulation III: Fabric Care /Laboratory work</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Final Perfumery Project: Functional fragrance brief free creation</li> <li>· Introduction to Cosmetics</li> <li>· Soft Skills Workshop III</li> <li>· The Art of Storytelling</li> <li>· IFF Insight Sessions</li> <li>· Pedagogical Trip to Grasse/LMR</li> <li>· <b>Internship III: External internship</b></li> </ul>   |                 |

## INTERNSHIPS

There are 3 required internships during this program. The 1<sup>st</sup> year focuses on understanding the fragrance market and consumer needs through a retail customer facing internship. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year internship is offered at an IFF Creative Center where each student has an IFF mentor and applies classroom learnings to acquire and build upon on-the-job experience. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final internship requirement is a professional experience that will strengthen industry skills, broaden exposure to potential career paths and provide a valuable networking experience.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Throughout your MSc in Scent Design and Creation, in addition to the technical knowledge of developing fragrance products, you will also develop a range of other skills including creative and design thinking, research, complex problem solving, teamwork, project management, communication, and practical lab skills.

All these relevant skills meet recruiters' requirements around the world.

### Fragrance Creation

- Fine or Consumer Fragrance Perfumer
- Technical Perfumer
- Line Extension Perfumer

### Fragrance Evaluation

- Fine or Consumer Fragrance Evaluator
- Scent Design Manager

### Fragrance Marketing

- Marketing Manager or Analyst

### Fragrance Safety Regulation & Quality Control

- Quality Control Supervisor or Technologist
- Quality Engineer or Manager

### Fragrance Product Formulation & Development

- Fragrance Formulator
- Fragrance Chemist



## PEDAGOGICAL METHODS

1st year:

Oct 15 - Nov 15: 1-month remotely courses

Nov 15 - May: Online and face-to-face courses, Olfaction lectures, Fragrances practical works in the laboratory, team work and oral presentations

2nd year:

Oct - Dec: first period of online and face-to-face, olfaction and fragrances courses and practical works

May - July 4: second period of online and face-to-face, olfaction and fragrances courses and practical works, internship oral presentation

3rd year:

Oct - April 15: Online and face-to-face, olfaction and fragrances courses and practical works, internship oral presentation

## PEDAGOGICAL ENVIRONMENT

- Specific Laboratoires dedicated to formulation of fragrances, sensory analysis and analytical chemistry
- Resource center specializing in perfumery, cosmetics and flavors, databases on ingredients
- Computer room, Blackboard for online courses, specialized MOOCs.



## Key Figures

**14** training programs from 1-year diplomas to Master's degrees

**100%** exam success rate

**79%** of graduates find a job within 7 months (promotion 2020)  
*Mediametrie Studies*

**95%** of graduates find a job within 12 months (promotion 2020)

**100** professional instructors

**+ 400** companies who trust us including l'Oréal, Chanel, Yves Rocher, Givaudan, IFF, Sephora, Firmenich etc.

**13** major academic partnerships: ESSEC, EBI, ESCOM, AgroParistech, Université de Versailles St-Quentin, Université de Padoue (Italie), Université de Cergy-Pontoise, Université Côte d'Azur (UCA), ASFO, le GIP, IUT d'Orléans, Singapore Polytechnic and Shanghai Institute of Technology

- Summer schools

## Why study at ISIPCA

ISIPCA was created in 1970 by Jean-Jacques Guerlain, a descendant of Pierre François-Pascal Guerlain, the founder of the iconic Guerlain House.

ISIPCA is the world leading graduate school dedicated to Perfume, Cosmetics and Food Flavours, affiliated to the «Les Écoles des Métiers du Luxe» education group initiated by Paris Ile-de-France Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Its training programs are dedicated to all related scientific and commercial professions.

The quality of the ISIPCA undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate programs is highly recognized by academics, professional bodies and companies, around the world. It offers an innovative pedagogy including a platform and training services on Blackboard, free MOOCs, etc.

ISIPCA is endowed with a renowned research and development center in physicochemical analysis and sensory analysis

Its Library offers first-rate resources: 2,000 books and 8,000 periodical articles and sectoral market studies and more than 20 subscriptions to general press and specialized journals.

### ACCESS FOR DISABLED PEOPLE

As part of its Equity and Inclusion policy, and in accordance with the provisions of Law No. 2005-102 of 11 February 2005 for equal rights and opportunities, participation and citizenship of people with disabilities, ISIPCA undertakes to respect the standards of physical and digital accessibility for people with disabilities. It also provides educational adaptations if necessary.  
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### ABOUT IFF

**IFF is a leading innovator of scent, taste, and nutrition.**

**At IFF we're using Uncommon Sense to create what the world needs. As a collective of unconventional thinkers and creators, we put science and artistry to work to create unique and unexpected scents, tastes, experiences and ingredients for the products our world craves. Learn more at [iff.com](http://iff.com), Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.**

We're not satisfied with just satisfying the senses.

We're using Uncommon Sense to create what the world needs.

We are a collective of unconventional thinkers and creators, putting science and artistry to work to create unique and unexpected scents, tastes, experiences and ingredients for the products our world craves.

# The sense of excellence



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February 5, 2022

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