



## **Alexandre MARCHANT**

Born in February the 1st 1982, in Roubaix (North, France). French.

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### **Research interests**

Drugs and drug abuse: uses and representations, public policies, medicalization.  
Social and cultural history of the second half of XXth century, in France.

### **Current position**

PhD candidate in contemporary history, since 2008, ENS Cachan, Institut des Sciences sociales du Politique (ISP). Thesis under the supervision of Professor Olivier Wieviorka, on the subject: "Drugs and drug users in France (1966-1993)".

### **Education and degrees**

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| 2008      | Diploma of ENS Cachan, specialisation in Social sciences.   |
| 2007-2008 | Master's Degree 2 in modern history ("modern worlds history XIXth-XXth centuries"), Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne.<br>Research topic, under the supervision of professor Olivier Wieviorka :<br>"Social and cultural history of drugs and drugs users in France (1945-1990): researches on uses and representations, Police and Justice, political and medical responses to drug abuse". |
| 2005-2007 | Agrégation d'histoire. Prepared in ENS de Paris, departement of History.  |
| 2004-2005 | Master's Degree 1 in modern history, Université Paris X Nanterre.<br>Research topic, under the supervision of professor Annette Becker :<br>"militant speeches about male homosexuality in France (1945-1982): from discretion to politisation").   |
| 2003-2004 | Double Licence of History and of Sociology, Université Paris X Nanterre.  |

- 2003                      Became “Normalien” student, after success at entry examination of ENS de Cachan.
- 2000-2003                Post-baccalauréat preparatory program (“classes préparatoires”), Khâgne “Social sciences and Literature”. Notre Dame de la Paix High School, Lille.
- 2000                      Baccalauréat of Literature. Saint Rémi High School, Roubaix.

**Languages :**

French (native), English, Dutch, German (notions).

“Humanities” : Latin and ancient Greek

**Teaching activities**

- 2008-2011                Teaching Assistant at sciences sociales departement, ENS de Cachan.  
Teaching topics : methodology, epistemology of social and cultural histories, working groups on archives, oral examinations and coaching for the preparation of Agrégation.
- 2008-2011                Teacher in “classes préparatoires”, Lycée Notre Dame de la Paix, Lille.  
Teaching topics : global political history of the XXth century, social and political history of France. Oral examinations in History.
- 2009-2011                Teacher in Lycée Saint Paul, Lille, module “Passerelle Prépa – IEP”.  
Teaching topic : global political history of the XXth Century, social and political history of France.

**Papers (seminars, workshops and conference)**

**Conferences:**

*“The roads to Kathmandu in the Francophone Literature of the 1970’s: the drug travel narrative as an apprenticeship novel”*, panel “Exploring Young Adult Literature, 108<sup>th</sup> conference of PAMLA (Pacific Ancien and Modern Language Association), Honolulu (Hawaii, United States), 13-14th November 2010.

*« Answering the “drug epidemics” at the beginning of the 1970s : experimenting new patterns, creating new practices, building standardization in matters of help care policies”*, Conference “Standardizing and marketing the drugs in the XXth century”, ESF RNP DRUGS, History of Medicine University La Charité, Berlin (Allemagne), 7-8th October 2010.

**Reseach seminars and doctoral worshops:**

*“Fighting” the drug epidemics in the 1970s : a new transnational approach to a common historical, social and political problem of the Western world”*, PhD student presentation, Flying University of Transnational Humanities (FUTH), Seoul (South Korea), 11-16th June 2010.

« *The drug scenes in France and in the Netherlands at the turning point of the 1960's and 1970's: a proposal of transnational history* », doctoral workshop “New topics in XXth Century social History”, Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium), 4-5th June 2010.

« *Drug war in modern France: the American influence (years 1960's-1980's) ?* », doctoral workshop “The XXth century in Europe: moves, transfers and renewals”, ENS de Cachan (France), 19-20th June 2009.

« *L'affaire de Montigny-lès-Cormeilles, février 1981: le Parti communiste français et la lutte contre la drogue* », séminaire Histoire de la manifestation (Olivier Wieviorka, Frédéric Attal), ENS de Cachan (France), 8th January 2009.

« *Daniel Guérin et le discours militant sur l'homosexualité masculine en France, des années 1950 aux années 1980* », séminaire Homosexualité et Politiques (Bruno Perreau, Françoise Gaspard), IEP Paris (France), 15th March 2007.

## **Publications**

### ***Books***

MARCHANT Alexandre, *Le discours militant sur l'homosexualité masculine en France (1952-1982) : de la discrétion à la politisation*, Sarrebruck, Editions Universitaires Européennes, 2010.

### ***Articles (Peer reviewed):***

“Daniel Guérin et le discours militant sur l'homosexualité masculine en France (années 1950-années 1980”, in *Revue d'Histoire moderne et contemporaine*, 2006 / 4, n°53, pp. 175-190.

### ***Collective books (pending):***

« The French Connection », article of the collective book *Alcohol and Drugs in North America: a historical Encyclopedia* (dir. Jon Miller and David Fahey), Akron (Ohio) and Miami (Florida) Universities, ABC Clio, to be published in 2011.

“The scandal of Montigny lès Cormeilles, February 1981”: my paper (see upper) will be published in a collective book devoted to the history of protests in the contemporary France, directed by Olivier Wieviorka and Frédéric Attal, to be published in 2011 or 2012.

### ***Book reviews:***

« Retailaud-Bajac Emmanuelle, *Les paradis perdus : drogues et usagers de drogues dans la France de l'entre-deux-guerres*, Rennes, Presses universitaires de Rennes, 2009 », in *Vingtième Siècle. Revue d'histoire*, n°107, 2010/3.

## **Grants and Awards**

May 2009: Prix d'action internationale of the ENS Cachan for a project of archives consultation at the *National Archives and Records Administration* and at the *Library of Congress*, in Washington D.C., United States (May 2010).

2009-2010: Exchange Grant of the *European Science Foundation* (ESF) for a stay in the Netherlands (Utrecht, Amsterdam and La Haye): consultation of Dutch archives and documentation about the Dutch health public policy in matters of drugs (Ministry of Health, Trimbos Institute for mental health and addiction), integration of a local working group of the Research Networking Program DRUGS (November-December 2009).

2008-2011: Dissertation Grant (“allocation de recherché”), French Ministry of Research.

### **Membership in international research network**

2009-2010: Member (Post-graduate student program) of the Research Networking Program “DRUGS: standard drugs and drug standards: a comparative historical study of pharmaceuticals in the 20<sup>th</sup> century”, coordinated by Volker Hess (La Charité, Berlin). Research project called “An international comparison between two models of public health policies in matters of drugs (France, the Netherlands, 1960’s-1980’s).

### **Other publication**

Publication of a book of poems:

MARCHANT Alexandre, *Limbes ou les désillusions*, Steenvoorde, éditions Houtland, 1999.