

EIFFEL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS PHD 2025-2026

DEADLINE DECEMBER 12, 2024

The Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs launches in October 2024 the call for tenders EIFFEL session 2025-2026, a scholarship program for excellence for the best international students.

The EIFFEL scheme allows to finance :

A maximum mobility of 18 months within the framework of a co-tutelle or co-direction (1st registration).

Amount :

Eiffel scholarship holders receive a monthly allowance of €1800 in addition to the direct payment of several benefits : international transport, national transport, insurance, accommodation search, cultural activities etc.

Tuition fees are not covered by the Eiffel programme.

Start of the stay

The start of the stay must be between 1 September and 31 December of the year the scholarship is awarded.

The stay is financed by the scholarship only for the periods that take place in France, except in certain cases for internship or exchange periods (see the Eiffel scholarship regulations).

Priority areas of study :

- Science and technology :

Biology and health

Ecological transition

Mathematics and digital

Engineering sciences

- Humanities and social sciences :

History, French language and civilisation

Law Political Science

Economics and Management

APPLICATION PROCEDURE :

Step 1: Prior to any nomination, please check the eligibility requirements :

- To be a doctoral student in the framework of a **co-tutelle or co-direction** of a thesis with an international partner higher education institution. **The co-tutelle agreement or co-direction certificate must be signed by all parties when submitting the application.**

- Nationality: this program is reserved for candidates of foreign nationality. Binational candidates, one of whose nationalities is French, are not eligible.

- Candidates must be no older than 32 years of age at the time of the candidacy campaign; i.e., born after March 31 1992.

- Students already receiving a grant from the French government under another program at the time of application are not eligible, even if it is a social security grant.

- Applications rejected during a previous selection cannot be re-submitted, even in the event of a change of field of study or host institution.

Step 2: It is up to the candidate to contact a thesis supervisor at Unistra as soon as possible in order to check with him/her the coherence of the project.

Step 3: If the thesis supervisor considers the application eligible and if the eligibility conditions are met, the candidate contacts the International Department of the Doctoral College to obtain access to the online file :

ngrimmer@unistra.fr

Step 4 : List of documents to be attached to the online file:

Attach each item in a separate pdf (1 pdf per type of supporting document) following the instructions given for the file name and the maximum file size. Please take into account the quality and sharpness of the documents for study.

- **A PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT** containing the following information: surname, first name, date of birth and passport number.
- **CURRICULUM VITAE** of the candidate, written in French or English, on one or two pages specifying the candidate's performance.
- **DIPLOMAS AND RANKING:** copy of the last diplomas obtained with indication of the date, the speciality, the mentions and any other document attesting the excellence of the candidate
- **LANGUAGE CERTIFICATE OR DIPLOMA** (if applicable).
- The candidate's **PROFESSIONAL PROJECT**, written in French or in English, on one or two pages. This presentation may be supported by an opinion from people outside the institution, for example from a company.
- A presentation of the **THESIS PROJECT** and the progress of the research, written in French or English (1 and 5 pages). This document must precisely state the subject of the thesis, the state of progress of its writing, the plan adopted and the bibliography.
- The global **FINANCING PLAN** of the thesis.
- The **COTUTELLE AGREEMENT or the ATTESTATION OF CODIRECTION** signed by the French and foreign parties including the calendar of the alternation of the stays in case of splitting.
- **REASONED OPINIONS** (thesis supervisor, director of the research unit, director of the doctoral school OF UNIVERSITY OF STRASBOURG).
- **EXPERT OPINION** (professor/research director/researcher HDR) with arguments on the scientific quality of the thesis subject. The expert must be from outside the institution submitting the application, and from the same CNU section.
- **CURRICULUM VITAE** of aforementioned expert.

Step 5: A pre-selection is then made at the University of Strasbourg among the best students that the university wishes to welcome.

Step 6: The validation and submission of applications to Campus France is carried out exclusively by the International Department of the Doctoral College.

Step 7: The results are announced to the candidates and their thesis supervisors during the week of April 3, 2025.

Schedule: The application file must be completed online with all the enclosures by **Thursday, December 12, 2024 at the latest**. This date is different from the one indicated on the Campus France website to allow for the preparation of selected applications.

For any question, please contact :

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