You have the opportunity to be among the very first students to enjoy our brand new building, designed by internationally renowned architect Renzo Piano.

His architecture reflects our establishment’s project: to bring together the scientific disciplines and bring students into contact with science. You will be taught within the teaching and research ("TAR" or DER in French) departments, which provide early and immersive contact with the world of research by making extensive use of laboratories along your study path. Our teams will provide the majority of you with support in achieving your doctorate.

Within the Université Paris-Saclay, the School fits into a unique scientific ecosystem that alone represents 13% of all French research. Science and knowledge no longer have any borders: the presence of many foreign students on our campus is therefore also an opportunity.

During 2020, a new challenge emerged in the context of the health crisis: that of preserving the health of those who study within our walls. We trust that you will protect those around you by following the distancing measures and applying the instructions you will be given at the start of the academic year.

École Normale students and international students, I wish you all a great start to the year!

Pierre-Paul Zalio
President of the ENS Paris-Saclay
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<td>AS</td>
<td>Association Sportive (<em>Sports Association</em>)</td>
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<td>ASP</td>
<td>Année Spécifique de Parcours (<em>Specific year or formation</em>)</td>
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<td>BDA</td>
<td>Bureau des Arts (<em>Arts Office</em>)</td>
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<td>Bureau des Élèves (<em>Student Office</em>)</td>
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<td>Bureau des Loisirs (<em>Hobbies Office</em>)</td>
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<td>CAF</td>
<td>Caisse d’Allocation Familiale (<em>Government benefits agency</em>)</td>
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<td>CPAM</td>
<td>Caisse Primaire d’Assurance Maladie (<em>Primary Health Insurance Fund</em>)</td>
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<td>Centre Régional des Œuvres Universitaires et Scolaires (<em>Regional Academic and University Facilities Centre</em>)</td>
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<td>CVEC</td>
<td>Contribution de vie étudiante et de campus (<em>Student Life and Campus Contribution</em>)</td>
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<td>Direction des Affaires Immobilières (<em>Real Estate Division</em>)</td>
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<td>Direction des Ressources Humaines (<em>Human Resources Department</em>)</td>
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<td>Direction de la Scolarité et de la Vie Étudiante (<em>Registry and Student Affairs Division</em>)</td>
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<td>Fédération Française du Sport Universitaire (<em>Sport Federation</em>)</td>
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<td>GUPS</td>
<td>Guichet Unique Paris-Saclay (<em>University housing</em>)</td>
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<td>MGEN</td>
<td>Mutuelle Générale de l’Éducation Nationale (<em>Additional healthcare cover</em>)</td>
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<td>MRES</td>
<td>Graduate school des métiers de la recherche et de l’enseignement supérieur (<em>Graduate school for research and higher education</em>)</td>
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<td>OFII</td>
<td>Office Français de l’Immigration et de l’Intégration (<em>French Immigration and Integration Bureau</em>)</td>
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<td>SRI</td>
<td>Service des Relations Internationales (<em>International Affairs Office</em>)</td>
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<td>WEI</td>
<td>Week-End d’Intégration (<em>Integration weekend</em>)</td>
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Coming to study at ENS Paris-Saclay

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Expanding your horizons

144 international agreements covering 38 countries

70% of 2019 graduates spent at least two months abroad during their studies at ENS Paris-Saclay

88 École Normale Supérieure graduates accepted onto the ARPE program (which provides help in finding a first job) for the 2019-2020 year
Coming to study at ENS Paris-Saclay

In 2019, there were

199 international students

and

114 international PhD students

on campus

In 2020, the School obtained

2 Quality Labels:

Bienvenue en France
★★ which certifies that the resources put in place to welcome international students meet the highest quality criteria (including access to information, welcome packages, course options, accommodation, campus life, etc.)

Erasmus+ agency best practice
which certifies us at the highest level of European projects in terms of implementation, results produced and the effects observed.

Science Accueil is the partner chosen by ENS Paris-Saclay to provide you with support when moving and getting settled: administrative procedures (residence permits, opening a bank account, choice of health cover, etc.), learning French in a friendly and innovative atmosphere, suggestions for cultural events and activities (theatre, museum, cinema, exhibitions, etc.) to fit a budget.

To benefit from their services, just fill out the contact form on their website:


CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SERVICES (SRI)

For any general questions
ri@ens-paris-saclay.fr

Incoming arrangements
ri-incoming@ens-paris-saclay.fr

Outgoing arrangements
ri-outgoing@ens-paris-saclay.fr

Localisation
south-east building ☐, 1st floor – offices 1B74 · 1E74
Preparing for your stay

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### Budget

Plan a special budget for the start of the 2020 academic year. It will be substantially higher than for the rest of the academic year:

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<td>Registration fees</td>
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<td>CVEC (Contribution to campus and student life)</td>
<td>92€</td>
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<td>Security deposit for your accommodation and first rental payment</td>
<td>± 500€</td>
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<td>Subscription to a health insurance provider (mutuelle)</td>
<td>± 30€</td>
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<td>(OFII, French Immigration and Integration Office) stamp</td>
<td>60€ ou 250€</td>
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<td>Living essentials (sheets, duvets, towels, kitchen utensils, etc.)</td>
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<td>Misc. expenses (sport, internet, transport, books, etc.)</td>
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### Essential travel items

Your passport (or national identity card)

Your birth certificate (original and sworn translation into French)

If you have a health problem

If you are undergoing medical treatment

If you are an EU national

If you are from Quebec

Statement of financial resources or proof of obtaining a scholarship

Your certificate of acceptance at ENS Paris-Saclay

Your certificate of accommodation

Your important qualifications and records

Miscellaneous objects

Electrical adapters, bilingual dictionary, computer, etc.

⚠️ In order to receive access to grants and funding (in particular from the CAF), to receive a salary or pay rent, you must have a bank account open in France. Remember to scan your important documents and send them to your email inbox!
Welcome provisions from Université Paris-Saclay

Dedicated space for international students
This space contains information on getting set up, international sponsorship, practical aspects of life (housing, health and well-being, telephone and internet, transport and travel, cost of living, eating well, etc.) and other aspects of French culture.

🌐 universite-paris-saclay.fr/en/campus-life/international-welcome-desk

Buddy Program
This is a free international sponsorship program created by the Université Paris-Saclay and extended to ENS Paris-Saclay; it connects a French or international student already in France with a recently admitted foreign student.

Its objective is to provide them with support for administrative procedures, and to facilitate integration into their new study environment. Registration opens July 2020.

🌐 universite-paris-saclay.fr/en/international-mentoring-programme-buddy-programme

At ENS Paris-Saclay
Your matriculation meetings:
• Matriculation for first-time arrivals September 8
• Meet-up for international students September 10, 12:00-14:00
• Welcome day for first-time students Preamble September 17
• Matriculation workshops: 90-minute sessions starting at noon, twice a week in small groups of 6 to 8 students)

Reception Desk for Foreign Talent (GATE, Guichet d’Accueil des Talents Étrangers)
The GATE is a physical space to welcome students, scientists and international employees from the Saclay network and help them with their administrative procedures. It draws upon the support of several institutions to help facilitate daily life:
• Palaiseau sub-prefecture (residence permit)
• Science Accueil
• Université Paris-Saclay
• CPAM (health insurance)
• Campus France
• RATP (transport)
• Employment centre
• Regional affiliates of the French national student services agency (CROUS Centre régional des oeuvres universitaires et scolaires (accommodation)
• CAF (accommodation assistance)
🌐 gate.paris-saclay.fr/en
🌐 contact@gateparissaclay.fr
✓ Address
Campus d’Orsay,
building 311 -
Le Moulin, rue du Château,
91400 ORSAY VILLE
✓ Opening Hours
August 24 to end of December 2020: Monday to Friday, 9:00 - 13:00 / 14:00 - 16:00 (by appointment)
**Visa and residence permit**

**Before your departure**

If you are from an EEA member state, you do not need a visa to come and study in France.

If you are not from an EEA member state, you must follow the appropriate procedure:

- If you will be taking the ENS competitive entry exam, you have the option of applying to the French consulate in your place of residence for a student examination visa.
- If you are admitted to our School, go to the French consulate in your place of residence with the letter of admission sent to you. It will enable you to obtain a long-stay visa, equivalent to a residence permit (VLS-TS).
- If you are of one of the following nationalities: Algerian, Beninese, Brazilian, Burkinese, Cameroonian, Chilean, Chinese, Colombian, Comorian, Congolese, Egyptian, American, Gabonese, Guinean, Indian, Indonesian, Iranian, Ivorian, Japanese, Lebanese, Malagasy, Malian, Moroccan, Mauritian, Mauritanian, Mexican, Peruvian, Russian, Senegalese, South Korean, Taiwanese, Tunisian, Turkish or Vietnamese, you fall under the Studies in France (Études en France) procedure.
- Université Paris-Saclay has set up an online application allowing each student to obtain individually-tailored information and a step-by-step schedule for all the steps they will need to take prior to their stay in France.

⚠️ If you have obtained funding for your stay in France, you will need to attach the financing certificate to your visa application. ENS Paris-Saclay may provide a certificate for the programs it manages.

You can also find all the information regarding your visa application on the official website for French visas.


If you are a PhD student, you must present a hosting agreement to the Consulate closest to you. For any hosting agreement application, you must provide:

- a passport copy
- a copy of a master's or PhD degree
- a certificate of funding or proof of available funds (min. €1000/month)
- if applicable: a copy of a contract or promise of employment

**As of August 1 2020, you will need to contact our partner, Science Accueil, for all procedures relating to residence permits and their renewal.**

> contact@science-accueil.org

**After your arrival**

International student(s) with a VLS-TS will have to validate their visa within 3 months.

> administration-etrangers-en-france.interieur.gouv.fr/particuliers/
Useful information

Applications
Below are some useful apps to have on your smartphone while you’re in France:

**RATP**
Get the times for the next RER, metro, bus, night bus (noctilien), tram and airport lines, find out the best route to your destination and view the RATP network maps.

**What’sApp**
If you don’t have a French internet connection yet, connect to a WiFi network and let your family and friends know that you’ve arrived in France and at ENS.

**Uber**
If you need a taxi to go out or get home... or you’re lost.

**Izly**
Pay for your meal at CROUS or your sandwich at the cafeteria.

**Google Maps**
Are you lost in Paris, in Cachan or elsewhere? Use Google Maps to find your way or explore.

**Doctolib**
Find the nearest doctor and make an appointment directly on the app.

**Allociné**
If you want to see the cinema closest to you, the movies and the possible bookings.
QUELQUES REPÈRES

SCHOOL PLAN

Bâtiment Nord

Bâtiment Sud-Est

Bâtiment Sud-Ouest

Bâtiment Ouest

Jardin

Passeerelle

Jardin

Scène de recherche

Grand amphithéâtre

Bâtiment Est

Bâtiment Sud-Ouest

Entrée principale

Route 128

Rue Yvette Cauchois

Rue René Thom

Entrée Parking

Avenue des sciences

SCHOOL PLAN
## QUELQUES REPÈRES

### BÂTIMENT EST

- **1ER ÉTAGE**
  - Club and associations

- **RDC**
  - Kokarde
  - Pôle médical

### BÂTIMENT SUD-EST

- **RDC**
  - Bibliothèque

- **1ER ÉTAGE**
  - Service concours
  - DSVE
  - SRI
  - Formation Continue

- **3ÈME ÉTAGE**
  - DRH

### BÂTIMENT SUD-OUEST

- **RDC**
  - Kantine (Restaurant CROUS)
  - Kfé (Cafétéria)