Welcome to France!
“Why Choose France To Study And Conduct Research?”

Welcome to France! Are you ready to embark on a life-changing journey?

**Academic Excellence**
With a centuries-old tradition of higher education and research, France ranks 3rd overall! 1st in Mathematics, 3rd in Ecology & Oceanography*

The 5 best Masters in Finance worldwide are French! **

**Affordability**
International students enjoy the same benefits as French students (healthcare, accommodation allowance, discounts to access culture). Subsidies from the French government enables low tuition fees in public universities.

**Degrees Taught In English**
A wide and diverse array of 1600+ programmes taught entirely in English, ranging from Bachelor Degrees to MBA.

**Practicality**
Gaining work experience, through internships, is part of all degrees. As a major, global economic player, France puts a strong emphasis on employability. Work permit after your degree is facilitated.

**Research & Innovation**
With over 10,000 patents in 2020, France ranks among the most innovative countries in the world. France will invest over 230 billion $HKD in research by 2030.

* Shanghai Rankings by thematic 2021 / ** FT Rankings 2021
Aim
Co-funded by the French Consulate and The Légion d’Honneur Club - Hong Kong Chapter, linguistic scholarships encourage students to go to France and experience French language and culture.

What is it?
A 4-week intensive language course in France between June and September.

Who can apply?
• Students taking French courses for at least 2 semesters at a university in Hong Kong or Macau, and demonstrate an interest in improving their French language skills.
• Be at least 18 years old at the time of application.
• Have attained at least a DELF A2 level of French language competence.
• Have enrolled for an intensive summer course of French language in a University language centre in France, accredited by the Foreign Language Quality label “FLE”.

When to apply?
From March to May each year.

How to apply?
Students should approach their French teachers at their university who will proceed with the selection process.

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/24qc5p
Bachelor’s Degree

Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence Scheme (HKSES)

Aim
Launched in 2014, it supports outstanding local students to pursue studies at world renowned universities outside Hong Kong.

Awardees will receive
• A non-means-tested scholarship to cover their tuition fees, subject to a ceiling of HK$300,000 per annum.
• A means-tested bursary will be granted to students who may need additional support to pursue their studies, subject to a ceiling of HK$200,000 per student per annum, and to cover living and other study-related expenses.

Who can apply?
• Students who have right of abode, right to land, or have entered Hong Kong on One-way Permits;
• Students who have resided in Hong Kong continuously for three complete years immediately prior to the commencement of the academic programme outside Hong Kong.

When to apply?
From November to January each year.

*570 students awarded since 2014 *as in 2021
France is eligible for this scheme

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/uS6RsB
Master’s Degree

The Alexandre Yersin Excellence Scholarship

Aim
Launched by the French Consulate in 2000, it supports top local students willing to pursue a Master’s degree in France.

What is it?
A Master’s degree scholarship. All disciplines welcome – from science, mathematics and engineering to sustainable development, business, finance, social sciences, art and culture.

The scholarship covers
• Tuition fees up to € 5,000 (~ HK$45,000)
• Monthly living allowance of € 660 (~ HK$5,000 to $6,000)
• Social welfare, public liability and repatriation insurance
• Support to accommodation costs

Who can apply?
• Hong Kong or Macau permanent resident, not holding French nationality or a dual citizenship including French.
• An individual planning to get a national Master degree, or equivalent, in France.

Over 120 students awarded in 20 years

“Thanks to Alexandre Yersin Scholarship, I have the chance to continue my master’s degree at Ecole de l’image GOBELINS in Paris. France has a lot of art museums, film festivals, and artist meetups that attracted me to study there. I can be inspired by the culture and the people around me every day. Despite the pandemic this year, I am grateful for having chances to talk to different studios and work with my classmates on the new film remotely.”

Sally Tsoi
Master Student in Character Animation and Animated Filmmaking at Les Gobelins, Ecole de l’Image

When to apply?
From January to April each year.

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/6719HP
Eiffel Excellence Scholarships
Master and Doctoral Level

**Aim**
These scholarships aim to train future decision-makers in the private and public spheres.

**What is it?**
- Between 12 to 36 months of funding for a Master’s level degree or research at the Doctoral level.
- Subjects: Law; Economics and Management; Engineering and Sciences; Political Sciences.

**The scholarship covers**
- Monthly allowance between €1,180 to €1,700 (~ HK$10,000 to $15,000).
- Round trip international air travel and train travel if needed.
- Train travel within France to first study location, and from last study location.
- Health insurance coverage & supplemental health insurance.

**Who can apply?**
- Applicants up to 25 years old at a Master level, or up to 30 years old at the PhD level.
- Not holding French nationality or a dual citizenship including French.

**When to apply?**
- Launched annually by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- The funded study period must begin between September 1 and December 31 of the year in which the scholarship is awarded.

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/SM2IkL
PhD and Post-doctoral Level

Make Our Planet Great Again (MOPGA)
Visiting Fellowship Program for Young Researchers

Aim
Initiated by the President of the French Republic, it supports research projects on sustainable development and the "One Health Approach".

What is it?
- A monthly allowance of 2,500€ (~ HK$23,000).
- A moving allowance of 500€ (~ HK$4,600).
- Support for social security coverage and health insurance.

Who can apply?
- Possess a doctoral degree for less than five years and not have resided in France the previous year.
- All nationalities are eligible except the French one.

When to apply?
Usually in January-February.

Hong Kong has been eligible in 2020 & 2021

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/COZdMU
Aim

Started in 2021 by the French Consulate and the Pasteur Foundation Asia, it enables young researchers to pursue research projects in biomedical sciences at Institut Pasteur in Paris.

What is it?

- A grant for a 2 to 3-months research internship at Institut Pasteur Paris between July and November.
- The fellowship covers: round-trip air ticket between Hong Kong/Macau and France; housing; monthly living allowance.

Who can apply?

- Postgraduate student or postdoctoral fellow at universities in Hong Kong or Macau.

When to apply?

Usually in January-February.

How to apply?

Choose an internship location amongst 40 of the most renowned laboratories in the world, and fill in the application form on HKU-Pasteur Research Pole website.

“My study focuses on impacts of perinatal exposures on early-life programming of gut microbiota and its health consequences. A human organoid technology available at the Institut Pasteur was essential to validate my findings. Transferring this technology back to HKU-Pasteur Research Pole can bridge a gap of technology between research environments. France is the country of Louis Pasteur, the founder of microbiology and immunology, so visiting the Institut in Paris is one of my dreams. I would like to take the opportunity to learn there and reshape part of my thinking and working style towards a successful career.”

Peng Ye
PhD student at HKU-Pasteur Research Pole, Tun Lab (antimicrobial resistance research)

1st edition in 2021 with 4 Awardees

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/8PSukg
Research Projects

PROCORE - France/Hong Kong Joint Research Scheme

Who can apply?
• Hong Kong applicants at universities & laboratories associated UGC funded institutions and meet the RGC application requirements.
• French applicants must be affiliated to laboratories associated with higher educational institutions.
• An applicant may apply as a Principal Investigator and also as a participating member of another project in the same exercise.

How to apply?
Applications should be submitted in parallel by Hong Kong (in the universities) and French applicants (to Campus France).
Separate applications should be submitted for travel and workshop grants.

Aim
Supported by the Research Grants Council and the French Consulate, it promotes research collaboration between Hong Kong and France: all disciplines, including social sciences, are eligible.

What is it?
A 1 to 2-year travel grants for researchers, as well as grants to sponsor a high-level conference.

The scholarship covers
• The funding cannot exceed ~ HK$1.02 million per year for projects, and ~ HK$150,000 for conference/workshop, and HK$45,000 for the grant per amount per project per year for those involving travel of research postgraduate student(s) and HK$31,250 per year for those not involving students’ travels.

The funding is allocated on an annual basis, for one or two consecutive years.

When to apply?
From March to July each year.

How to apply?
• Applications should be submitted in parallel by Hong Kong (in the universities) and French applicants (to Campus France).
• Separate applications should be submitted for travel and workshop grants.

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/ySQPzm
The French National Research Agency/RGC Joint Research Scheme

Aim
Launched in 2012 to strengthen scientific cooperation between French and Hong Kong, it is highly regarded by the academic community and enables the scaling up the most promising bilateral research projects. All disciplines are eligible.

What is it?
• Support research projects with duration of 36 or 48 months.
• The funding limit for Hong Kong applicants is HK$3 million per project.

Who can apply?
Only applications that fully meet the requirements of both the RGC and the ANR are accepted.

https://bit.ly/3gSYz5j

*15 collaborative projects conducted in various scientific fields since 2012 as in 2021

When to apply?
From January to April each year.

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/Hioo20
Summer Schools

French Sciences Programs

The Campus France catalogue of Short Programmes and Summer Schools highlights more than 300 cultural and language stay, and more than 200 short programmes in France.

More information: https://ecolesdete.campusfrance.org/

**Aim**
It promotes French technological know-how and excellence in scientific training, and can be a pathway to future studies in France.

**What is it?**
3 to 4 weeks stays during the summer revolve around specific themes, and partner with internationally recognized and accredited French language centres:

- “About sustainable development” for Montpellier and Accent Français;
- “Marine Science and Technology” for Brest and Ciel Bretagne;
- “Microtechnology and biomedical engineering” with CLA Besançon
- “Energy and Transport” with French in Normandy in Rouen.

*Allows the validation of ECTS credits.

**Who can apply?**
English-speaking students studying science and technology, and who are complete beginners in French.

**When to apply?**
Application deadlines are typically one month prior to the start of the programme.

**How to apply?**
Online on the website of the partner FLE centres.

For more information
https://eqrcode.co/a/40UsC5