ÉCOLE NORMALE SUPÉRIEURE PARIS-SACLAY

Founded in 1912, École normale supérieure Paris-Saclay (ENS Paris-Saclay) is a leading institution for interdisciplinary graduate education and research. It trains future university instructors and researchers, with an emphasis on applied sciences. A significant proportion of its graduates also pursue civil service careers or join major French state-owned corporations in the fields of research & education, engineering or management.

ENS Paris-Saclay recruits more than half of its students through highly selective national competitive examinations. Upon admission, they become probationary civil servants, usually called “normalien” and receive a monthly stipend. Other students are also admitted through an extremely rigorous selection process.

The disciplines taught at ENS Paris-Saclay's 12 departments of study and 13 research units cover three broad fields: fundamental sciences, engineering sciences and humanities and social sciences. ENS Paris-Saclay welcomes around 2000 students (including 300 PhD students) and 500 employees (300 academic staff and 200 support staff).

As a founding member of Université Paris-Saclay, ENS Paris-Saclay also has close ties with the other 13 prestigious members of this institution which totalizes 60,000 students and represents 13% of all French public research.

ENS Paris-Saclay has a strong international dimension, as reflected on the academic level by agreements with more than 100 partners abroad, and on the research level by extensive participation in European and international projects.

◆ RESEARCH

Fundamental sciences labs:
- Centre for Mathematics Studies and their Applications (CMLA)
- Specification and Verification Laboratory (LSV)
- Laboratory of Biophysics and Applied Pharmacology (LBPA)
- Laboratory Aimé Cotton (LAC)
- Quantum and Molecular Photonics Laboratory (LPQM)
- Supramolecular and Macromolecular Photochemistry (PPSM)

Engineering sciences labs:
- Systems and Applications of Information and Energy Technologies (SATIE)
- Laboratory of Mechanics and Technology (LMT)
- Automated Production Research Laboratory (LURPA)

Interdisciplinary research institutes:
- Institute for Political Social Sciences (ISP)
- D'Alembert Institute
- Farman Institute
- Maison des Sciences de l'Homme Paris-Saclay (MDSH)
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◆ STRENGTHS

High level of training and research, an extremely selective admission policy, close mentoring of students. More than 70% of graduates proceed to a PhD program. ENS Paris-Saclay's multidisciplinary academic program are characterized by close links between teaching and high-level research. Strong international partnerships.

◆ LOCATION

ENS Paris-Saclay is located in Cachan (94), in the South of the greater Paris area. In 2020, the school will move to the Paris-Saclay Campus (30km South-West of Paris).

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