

ENS Foundation Scholarships

2024 Impact

The Foundation's scholarships are fully funded by your donations. They help strengthen the École's inclusivity policy and support a more diverse range of students, including more women, at the École Normale Supérieure.

"The School is, wants to be, and must be diverse, attracting and welcoming all talents, bringing together and combining all professions and strengths. These ensure the greatest benefit of its missions in society." **Frédéric Worms, Director of the ENS-PSL**

Scholarships in computer science, AI, and mathematics

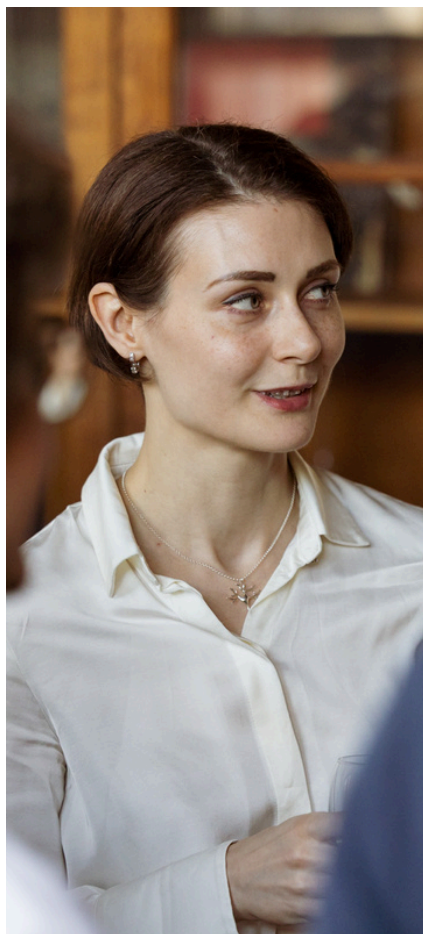
In the current context of intense international competition, your donations allocated to this scholarship program enable the School to attract the best talents, thus benefiting the entire cohort.

Your donations provide each recipient with:

- A scholarship of 1,000 euro/month during the three years of study at the ENS.

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Recipients of a scholarship in mathematics, computer science, and AI in the last two academic years.



Scholarships for Women in STEM

Your donations help fund scholarships of 1,000 euro per month for each female student admitted to the science track through the Normalien Etudiant Competition (CNE). This program aims to promote gender parity in the École's scientific departments.

35

Recipients since the launch of the program, including 14 new students for the 2024 academic year.

+50%

Female student applications for the Physics CNE in 2023 - 2024

1st

Gender-balanced cohort in the Physics Department

The Olympic Scholarships

“The Olympic Scholarship recipients are of an exceptional scientific level. Welcoming them is a tremendous opportunity for the Department of Mathematics.”

Ariane Mézard, professor of mathematics, ENS.

These scholarships support the diversification of the student body by recruiting International Mathematical Olympiad medalists, helping maintain the French and international competitiveness of the ENS. Your donations contribute to a scholarship of 1,000 euros per month, awarded to all Olympic scholarship recipients for three years of studies at the ENS.

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Scholarship recipients since the start of the program, including 3 for the 2024-2025 academic year.

“In light of increasing inflation, the additional scholarship allowed me to focus on my studies and research throughout my time at the ENS. Without it, I wouldn't have been able to accomplish many things, including winning the Cyber 9/12 Strategic Cybersecurity Challenge, a major international competition in this field.”

Computer science student (S, 2020) and recipient of a social scholarship

“The additional social scholarship allowed me to pursue my studies with greater peace of mind. Since my parents do not live in Paris, this scholarship was a welcome supplement to their financial contribution, and helped us avoid student debts.”

Inès, law student (L, 2019) and recipient of a social scholarship

The Social Scholarships

For the 2023 - 2024 academic year, your donations made it possible to provide all scholarship recipients with an additional 75% to their CROUS Scholarship.

158

Scholarship recipients at the ENS received an additional scholarship in 2023/2024.

25%

Of students admitted to the ENS are scholarship recipients.



Research and Innovation

2024 Impact


The École Normale Supérieure is globally renowned for its research, and stands at the forefront of innovation in climate, artificial intelligence, health, and global humanities – its four main research areas.

“Philanthropy, from both businesses and individuals, is essential to support the School's ambitions in research, education, and innovation. Thanks to the support of benefactors, the ENS contributes to finding solutions to the major challenges of our time.” Anne Christophe, Deputy Director of Sciences at the ENS-PSL.





12 RESEARCH CHAIRS

Thanks to the support of benefactors, 3 new chairs were launched in 2024:

 **Space Chair /** Approaching Space through the lens of the humanities and social sciences.

In 2024 : 2 management committees, 2 post-doctoral recruitments, 1 course at the ENS

 **ARDIAN Chair /** Understanding the mechanisms of carbon storage in the Earth's subsurface and soil

 **MACIF Chair /** Develop innovative solutions for pooling resources in response to climate change



QBIO : Europe's leading center for quantitative biology

In 2024 :

- Approximately **40 dedicated researchers**
- **1 silver medal** of CNRS (Aleksandra Walczak)
- **2 professors invited**
- **1 dedicated event**

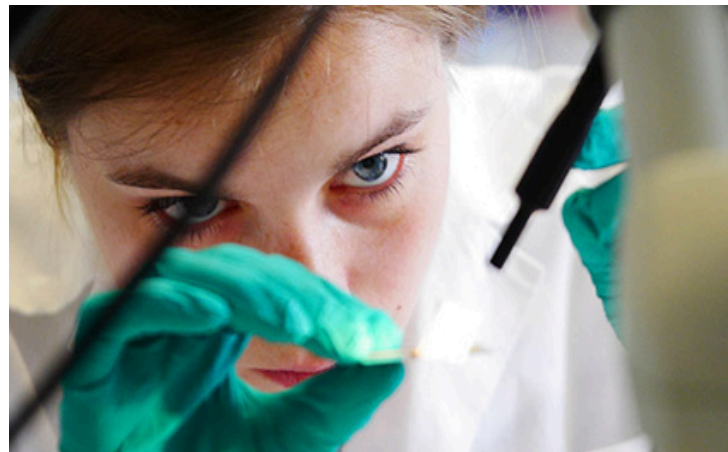
Massimo Vergassola
QBIO Laboratory Director



“Through an interdisciplinary approach, QBio will explore various research topics in the years to come. We are notably interested in predicting coevolutions between viruses and immunity, how the organization of cells impacts cellular identity, and how neural computation adapts to the lack of available energy.”

Training Program in MEDECINE - HUMANITIES

- **15 students** total, 5 of which were admitted for the 2024 academic year
- **2 research presentations** by graduates of the program
- **2 semester-based seminars:** “Do patients have an origin?” and “The threats facing humanity”



Heritage and Libraries

2024 Impact

The École Normale Supérieure consists of 4 campuses, 9 libraries, and 29 laboratories. Thanks to your donations, the École is able to take measures for the conservation, restoration, and enhancement of its movable and immovable heritage.

“Preserving the heritage of the École Normale Supérieure means contributing to the continued excellence and global influence of the School, both in France and around the world.” Frédéric Worms, Directeur of the ENS-PSL.

The renovation of historic “Giraffes”

The library’s emblematic ladders, also known as ‘giraffes’, are a fixture in the historic reading room of the *bibliothèque des Lettres*. They are used daily by readers.

Thanks to your donations, eleven giraffes have undergone complete restoration in 2024, in accordance with traditional craftsmanship practices.

Restoration of Old Books

Thanks to your donations, around **fifteen valuable books** dating from the **18th and 19th centuries** have been restored this year.

Valued Archives

The **Michel Serres** Archives project, initiated by the philosopher himself, aims to disseminate his theories and support research on, or inspired by, his work. The project focuses on taking inventory and digitizing archives, organizing conferences, and more.

Work has also been initiated on the preservation and promotion of the archives of female students, also known as *Sévriennes*.



“Designed by the finest craftsmen of the time and inaugurated by Victor Hugo in 1847, the historic library has remarkable heritage value. Your donations help renovate and highlight its iconic features, while also improving the reading and studying conditions for its visitors.”
Igor Groudiev, Director of Ulm-Jourdan Libraries

