

The Jean d'Alembert fellowship program
Université Paris-Saclay
2021-2023

Through its Jean d'Alembert fellowship program Université Paris-Saclay wants to allow highly qualified foreign scientists to stay for long periods (from 6 to 12 months) in one of the laboratories within its perimeter. Scientists from all disciplines and all countries are eligible. The content of the work project and the period of the stay must be decided with the Paris-Saclay host team **before** the application. Two different programs are offered:

- **junior** researcher fellowships for candidates who have obtained their PhD less than ten years before the date of the application,
- **senior** researcher fellowships for candidates who have obtained their PhD at least ten years before the date of the application .

In both cases, the 6 to 12 months stay can be divided into several periods, the total duration between the start of the first period and the end of the last one being no more than 18 months. The last period must finish by the end of December 2023.

An all cases the employment contract between a laureate and Université Paris-Saclay should be signed before December 31, 2021.

Fellowship's features

The fellowship will include:

- An additional monthly salary of € 2,800 net, which will be paid by Université Paris-Saclay during the presence in the lab (employment contract)
- Accompanying fees (10k€) as a contribution to the operating costs necessary for the scientific project

Eligibility criteria

1. Doctoral degree or equivalent (obtained for less than 10 years at the time of the application for junior researchers).
2. Researchers employed at a foreign university or research institution for the full duration of the project (tenure track is accepted, not long term post-doctoral position).
3. Applicants who have been residing in France for more than six months at the time of application are not eligible,
4. French citizens can apply to the program, provided their usual place of residence and work has been abroad for at least five years at the time of application.

Supporting document required

1. A full CV including a list of publications.
2. Letters of recommendation, preferably from outside the Paris-Saclay perimeter.
3. A research project and possibly a training or seminars program, developed jointly with the host team.
4. A letter of commitment from the head of the host laboratory in France.

For the needs of the selection step, it is preferable to clearly mention which UPSaclay graduate school(s) is (are) involved in the project (to be seen with the host laboratory).

Selection criteria

Fellows will be selected only on the basis of the quality of the applicant and proposed project:

- Quality of the applicant's scientific track record (professional background, impact and originality of the scientific contributions).
- Quality of the proposed project (importance in its field, relevance of the proposed approach, feasibility, available resources beside those of the d'Alembert fellowship, expected impact for the host laboratory and more broadly for Université Paris-Saclay (scientific, training, innovation and transfer to industry)).

Obligations of the laureates

Beyond their involvement in the host laboratory, laureates are expected during and at the end of their stay in France:

- To contribute to the collective dynamic of Université Paris-Saclay, in particular through one or more interventions within the Graduate Schools.
- To produce a final five-page report on their achievements during their stay.

Deadline for application and application process

Applications must be filed at the latest on May 31, 2021, before midnight French time, on the web site:

<https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/fr/recherche/appele-projet/jean-dalembert>

The final selection will be made on June 25, 2021, and the results will be communicated to the applicants in the following days. The laureates must express their acceptance of the scholarship within 21 days of notification of the result.

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