

CALL 2026

INCOMING INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME FOR JOINING THE SPACE ACADEMY OF ÎLE-DE-FRANCE

Overview

The Space Academy of Île-de-France relies on the academic and industrial ecosystem located in Paris area, via university research laboratories and companies that are historic leaders in Space science and technology.

The objective of the Academy, created in 2023, is to consolidate and to improve the offer and quality of training at undergraduate, graduate, and PhDs levels in the space domain, to meet professional needs in the field.

To achieve this, the Space Academy of Île-de-France promotes international mobility and offers grants for studying in master's degrees and for research internships at bachelor and master's levels.

Curriculum and research training programs conducted by the partners of the Space Academy (see Appendix 1) cover most areas of current interest in the field, including a wide range of theoretical, experimental, instrumental, and observational studies.

This ambition covers three topics of major strategic and economic interest for the Île-de-France Space Academy: (i) the management of space platforms and their debris, (ii) the development of the payload and the associated scientific exploitation of data collected from space, and/or (iii) the design of launchers, including reusable launchers and remote control.

Master's level grants

The Space Academy provides incoming mobility grants for individually designed study and research projects at Master's level. The topic of the academic and/or research project **should be directly linked with the space domain**, as described by the 3 main topics of the Space Academy listed above and related topics. These incoming mobility scholarships are reserved for international exchanges of students from any country that would like to come to France to join the Space Academy. They are provided in the following two cases:

- ♦ Master students spending one academic year or one academic semester in a master program of the Space Academy (see examples in Appendix 2) will receive a monthly living stipend of up to 1200 € maximum. The amount of the stipend is fixed based on the official rules of each Space Academy partner. For 2-year cursus, one application per year is required. In the cases of existing

exchange programmes with one university of the academy, tuition fees could also be exonerated depending on specific conventions.

- ★ Master students carrying out research projects in labs of the Space Academy partners will receive a monthly living stipend of up to 1200 € maximum. The scholarship provided by the Space Academy may be revised by the institution of enrolment, so that the total internship income (including other grants) does not exceed the mentioned amount or specific rules of the corresponding Space Academy partner. Moreover, no tuition fee is needed. The topic of the research project should be directly related to space missions and space remote sensing research fields and related aspects. The project could (although not necessarily) be linked with space campuses of the Space Academy (see Appendix 3).

Eligibility conditions and miscellaneous information

A specific attention should be paid to the following points about the eligibility of a given application:

1. Only students that are currently at the 1st and 2nd year of Master's degree (4th and 5th years at university) are eligible for an incoming mobility grant. **The PhD students are NOT eligible to the mobility call of the space academy.**
2. The incoming mobility grants provided by the Space Academy of Ile-de-France **ARE NOT APPLICATIONS FOR ANY MASTER OR BACHELOR PROGRAM**. Application for a given master or bachelor program is a separate and independent step that should be done (or started) by the applicant before the space academy mobility grant application. The applicant to the space academy mobility grant should contact and ask for the support of the head of one of the Master programs (Appendix 2). Any application that does not explicitly specify the name of the Master program will NOT be eligible.
3. In the case of an application to an internship mobility grant within one of the laboratories of the space academy partner (Appendix 1), **the applicant should contact and ask for the support of the envisioned supervisor of his internship**. In addition, **an application for which the internship has started before it has been evaluated by the space academy is NOT eligible**.
4. Since the incoming mobility grants ONLY concern stays that are **EXCLUSIVELY LINKED WITH THE SPACE DOMAIN** (such as the observation of Earth or the Universe from satellite, the development of satellite and space technologies including sensors, platforms, launchers, etc), an applicant showing an academic background and a project that are NOT (or too far) related to the space domains will NOT be eligible.
5. **ONLY A SINGLE PDF FILE** named explicitly following the format indicated below including your last name should be sent to mobility@academiespatiale.fr. Therefore, any application that is sent using several files for your documents, CV and application form will NOT be examined.
6. The **academic transcript of the applicant should be provided** in the application.

7. The mobility grants offered by the space academy only include a monthly stipend. **The travel and flight tickets expenses are NOT covered.**

Applications

- ★ Master's level candidates should submit a statement of grant purpose defining activities to take place during one academic year or one semester (see the attached incoming international mobility Form).
- ★ Candidates should apply for academic and research projects before one of the following **deadlines: 30 October 2025, 30 January 2026 or 31 May 2026**. Responses from the Academy are provided about 4 weeks after the deadline following the submission of the application.
- ★ Firstly, your application will be evaluated by the Space Academy's International Mobility Committee. If the committee accepts it, it should be highlighted that **the final approval of the mobility grant is subject to acceptance by the head of your Master's program, the relevant department of your host institution at the Space Academy and for internships, also by the host research laboratory.**

Candidates should fill and save as a SINGLE PDF FILE including all requested documents: the Incoming International Mobility Form, CV and all annex documents as **SPACE-IDF-IntMobility-Incoming2026-Form_StudentName.pdf** (a single file, note that separate files are not accepted) and send it to :

→ mobility@academiespatiale.fr

APPENDIX

- Click on each item to see the corresponding webpage -

Appendix 1: Public partners of the Île-de-France Space Academy

- ✦ [Institut Polytechnique de Paris \(IPP\)](#)
- ✦ [Sorbonne Université \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [Université Paris Cité \(UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [Université Paris-Est Créteil \(UPEC\)](#)
- ✦ [Université Paris-Saclay \(UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [Université Paris Sciences & Lettres \(PSL\)](#)
- ✦ [Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines \(UVSQ\)](#)

Appendix 2: Examples of Master programs and other trainings (not exhaustive)

- ✦ [M1/M2 Fundamentals of remote sensing \(UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 in Space: Earth Observation, Astrophysics and Satellite Technology \(UPC/PSL/UPEC/UM\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 International: Satellite Systems and Applications \(UPEC/CPUT\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Météorologie, Océanographie, Climat, Ingénierie pour les Observations Spatiales \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Paris Physics Master \(SU/UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Sciences et Génie de l'Environnement \(UPEC/UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Sciences de la Terre et des planètes, Environnement \(UPC/IPG\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Sciences de la Terre et des planètes, Environnement \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Sciences de la Terre et des planètes, Environnement \(UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Sciences de l'Univers et Technologies Spatiales \(PSL\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Space Business Strategy \(Supélec/UPS/UVSQ\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Télédétection et Géomatique Appliquées à l'Environnement \(UPC/Paris 1\)](#)
- ✦ [M1/M2 Planétologie et Exploration Spatiale \(PSL/SU/UPS/UVSQ\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Aéronautique et Spatial : Mécanique, Automatique, Énergétique \(UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Astronomie, Astrophysique, Ingénierie Spatiale \(PSL/SU/UPC/UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Droit des Activités Spatiales et des Télécommunications \(UPS/UT\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Enjeux du Spatial et Nouvelles Applications New Space \(UPS/UVSQ\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Fundamentals of Remote Sensing/Ingénierie pour les Observations Spatiales \(UPC/SU\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Ingénierie des Systèmes Aéronautiques et Spatiaux \(UPS\)](#)

- ✦ [M2 International Research Track \(PSL\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Nouveaux Enjeux et Métiers du Spatial New Space \(UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Noyaux, Particules, Astroparticules and Cosmologie \(UPC, UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Outils et Systèmes de l'Astronomie et de l'Espace \(PSL/SU/UPC/UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Sciences de l'Univers et Technologies Spatiales \(PSL\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Systèmes Électroniques et Systèmes Informatiques \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Images, vision par ordinateur, informatique graphique \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [M2 Algorithmes, Intelligence Artificielle, Interactions et Décision \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [DU Physiologie et Ergonomie Aérospatiale \(UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [DU Capacité de Médecine Aérospatiale \(UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [École d'Ingénieur Denis Diderot \(UPC\)](#)
- ✦ [École d'ingénieurs de Sorbonne Université \(IPP/SU\)](#)
- ✦ [Ecole d'ingénieur Institut des Sciences et Techniques des Yvelines \(UVSQ\)](#)
- ✦ [Ecole d'ingénieur Polytech Paris Saclay \(UPS\)](#)

Appendix 3: Space campus of the Île-de-France Space Academy

- ✦ [CENSUS Centre for Nanosatellites in Sciences of the UniverSe \(PSL\)](#)
- ✦ [CPS3 Centre Paris-Saclay des Sciences Spatiales \(UPS\)](#)
- ✦ [CSEP Centre Spatial de l'École polytechnique \(IPP\)](#)
- ✦ [CSU Campus Spatial UPEC \(UPEC\)](#)
- ✦ [CurieSat Centre spatial universitaire de Sorbonne Université \(SU\)](#)
- ✦ [OVSQ Observatoire de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines \(UVSQ\)](#)
- ✦ [PSUPC Pôle Spatial Université Paris Cité \(UPC\)](#)