

# Campaign PhD 2025

## Call for applications - Three PhD scholarships in archaeology

The Graduate School of Research EUR *ArChal* offers three PhD scholarships, of three years duration, starting from the beginning of the 2025-2026 academic year.

The scholarship holders will enroll for their PhD at the archaeology doctoral school of the University of Paris1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (ED 112, <https://ed-archeologie.panthéonsorbonne.fr/> (<https://ed-archeologie.panthéonsorbonne.fr/>)). Joint supervision with another *ArChal* partner (see below) is highly recommended and will be set up during the first year of the PhD.

### **The EUR *ArChal* in a few words**

**EUR *ArChal* is led by the University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and partnered by seven academic institutions in France and in Europe:** *Freie Universität Berlin* (Germany), *Universidad Complutense Madrid* (Spain), *Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna* (Italy), *Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales – INALCO*, *Institut National de Recherches Archéologiques Préventives – INRAP*, *Musée d'Archéologie Nationale*, *Domaine National Saint-Germain en Laye – MAN* (France).

The EUR aims to develop original teaching and research projects on archaeological methods and on research topics related to global challenges. Based on the diachronic analysis of strategies adopted in the past for addressing global challenges, the EUR *ArChal* will provide an entirely new knowledge framework on these questions. Its broad ambition is to build on our understanding of the past to develop *sustainable strategies for facing future challenges*.

The teaching and research program focuses on **cutting-edge archaeological methods, while dealing with the following four major challenges:**

1. Environment and climate change
2. Power and inequalities
3. Conflicts, mobility and migrations
4. Technologies and innovation

For more information on the EUR *ArChal* and its challenges, see the website: <https://eur-archal.pantheonsorbonne.fr/en/themes-and-challenges> (<https://eur-archal.pantheonsorbonne.fr/en/themes-and-challenges>).

## **Who can apply?**

Holders of a Master degree (French Master 2) in archeology from the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne or one of its partner universities: *Freie Universität Berlin* (Germany), *Universidad Complutense Madrid* (Spain), *Alma Mater Studiorum -Università di Bologna* (Italy), *Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales - INALCO* (France). Holders of a Master degree from these institutions in cultural heritage, restoration-conservation or art history are also eligible.

No age or nationality requirements.

## **Fellowship payment**

Gross monthly pay is **€2 200** and from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2026 **€2 300** as fixed by the following decree: <https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/loda/id/JORFTEXT0000330764>

## **How to apply**

The application dossier will include the following documents:

1. A *curriculum vitae* (maximum 2 pages).
2. A **covering letter**: Applicants are invited to show **the contribution of their PhD project to the development of the EUR**.
3. A **PhD thesis project** (maximum 15 000 characters, spaces included) in French or in English. This project must be clearly related to one of the EUR's four challenges.
4. A **summary of the Master's thesis** (maximum 10 000 characters, spaces included).
5. A **letter of support from the future PhD supervisor** accredited by the ED112 (<https://ed-archeologie.panthonsorbonne.fr/enseignants-accredites-led-112> (<https://ed-archeologie.panthonsorbonne.fr/enseignants-accredites-led-112>)). In the case of a co-supervision the letter of support of the co-supervisor must also be provided.
6. A **transcription of the Master degree** and, if available, the Master thesis defense report.
7. The **application form** available to be downloaded on the website of the EUR, completed, and signed.

## **Submission and applications evaluation**

1. **The submission of applications**: Send all the documents **combined into a single PDF file** (via a file transfer service) to [Elise.Morero@univ-paris1.fr](mailto:Elise.Morero@univ-paris1.fr) (<mailto:Elise.Morero@univ-paris1.fr>). **no later than Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025, 23:59**. An acknowledgment of receipt will be sent, indicating the admissibility of the application.
2. The selected candidates will receive on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025** a convening letter to attend the interview together with information on how the auditions will be conducted.

3. **Interviews by the evaluation committee will be held by videoconference on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2025.** The evaluation committee is composed by faculty members and researchers among the EUR partners and the director of the ED 112 doctoral School. The composition of the selection committee will be posted on the EUR website. The evaluation Committee will draft the final merit ranking list of the applicants; this list will finally be examined by the board of the ED 112.