Welcome to HEC Paris!
An academic institution with an international vocation

The Exchange Program brochure was written with the intention to give as many useful information as possible on our offer towards international visiting students. Studying abroad is a challenge, studying at HEC is an exciting experience! I hope you will benefit from our wide curriculum, discover a new culture and new ways of life. Your exchange period will allow you to build lifelong friendships all over the world.

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Information and support

Real time communication on:

► academic follow-up: learning agreements, transcripts, course catalogs
► academic issues: credit transfer, conversion, daily life issues
► Administrative queries as well as social security and insurances.

All of the above, before students arrival, during their stay and after departure from campus.

Students services and legal stay assistance

Collecting all compulsory documents for administrative procedures:

Depending on the nationality and the length of stay, non EU students need a valid visa or a residence permit before travelling, usually a Visa D (student visa).

Keep in mind that a monthly minimum is required for residence permit.

The International Office provides help with completing Visa validation procedure and a liaison with Legal stays Dept service on campus.

Orientation session

Administrative information. Presentation from various HEC services (career and corporate center, visa and immigration issues, French language and elective courses, library data access, sports activities, international students organization welcome presentation).

The International Office is managing all exchange partnerships with business schools and universities around the world, and provides information, advice, assistance and expertise to partners and international students.

The International Office supports students organization HEC IS in offering on-campus activities or outputs for international students during their stay, and the welcome week.

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MASTER IN MANAGEMENT GRANDE ECOLE

The Master in Management Grande Ecole recruits both local and international students by means of a rigorous admissions process. The curriculum is divided into a generalist phase and a specialization phase. The first phase concentrates on business fundamentals, while the second one focuses on acquiring an expertise (chosen according to the professional goals of the student). The nature of the specialization determines the Master’s degree that the student will finally receive: Management, Business Law, Public Affairs, Sustainability and Social Innovation, Media, Arts and Creation, Cognitive Science, Journalism.

The unique structure of the curriculum enables students to acquire both an excellent grounding in general management and expertise in a specific field. We firmly believe this combination is the key success factor in training future leaders and making a lasting impact on the careers of our students. Many specializations are offered not only on campus but also through a wide range of international Double Degrees, including the CEMS joint Degree, and partnerships with MIT, Tsinghua, FGV and Freie University of Berlin. The program also offers numerous international opportunities through exchanges across all continents. 2320 students

SPECIALIZED MASTERS & MSc PROGRAMS

Specialized Masters are one-year Master’s programs taught in French. They are designed for students who already hold a Master’s degree in another field and wish to specialize in a specific field of management. Four full-time programs are available to French speaking students: Droit et Management International, Entrepreneurs, Management de Grands Projets (in partnership with ISAE), Médias, Art et Création.

MSc programs are one-year Master’s degrees taught in English. They are designed for students who hold a Bachelor degree in any field from the best international universities, and who wish to acquire an expertise in a specific field of management. Five fulltime programs are available: International Finance, Managerial and Financial Economics, Sustainability and Social Innovation, Marketing, Strategic Management.

460 students

SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School programs are geared toward university-level students or recent graduates with a business orientation, entrepreneurial mindset and passion for discovery. Four weeks intensive courses and eight summer themes.

300 participants

MBA, EXECUTIVE MBAs & PhD PROGRAMS

Custom designed for managers between the ages of 25 and 35 with previous work experience, the MBA program addresses both functional and cross-functional skills through a fundamental and a customized thread to cover all areas of management in depth.
Highly selective, the program selects 240 students for each cohort, from 50 different countries, with diverse backgrounds and experiences. The multicultural setting brings about a collaborative work environment with an emphasis on developing participants’ personal engagement skills, encouraging the development of their managerial practices and leadership skills during the program.

480 students

The Executive MBA is uniquely designed to offer senior managers and executives from all around the world the opportunity to take classes in 14 locations worldwide (Paris, Milan, San Francisco and Doha are just some of the international destinations available), and to select from different specializations: Luxury, Energy, Aerospace & Aviation, Differentiation and Innovation through Services, Entrepreneurship & Innovation, Innovation and Social Business, Entrepreneurship - Project Accelerator, Leading Digital Transformation.

520 students

TRIUM Global Executive MBA is a unique degree jointly awarded by three world-renowned universities: HEC Paris, London School of Economics & Political Science, New York University Stern School of Business. TRIUM Global Executive MBA functions as a think-tank, incubator and boardroom that prepares executives to address and benefit from the global economic, social and political forces shaping the world. The unique, international curriculum challenges entrepreneurial-minded, senior-level executives to think and act within a dynamic socioeconomic and geopolitical context, where the next decade’s opportunities are emerging from today’s challenges.

130 students

The Executive Masters are degree-awarding programs in management. The part-time, modular format, is aimed at managers with at least five years’ professional experience and allows participants to balance their personal and professional activities while pursuing their education. Participants can choose from Executive Masters: Consulting and Coaching for Change (in partnership with Saïd Business School, University of Oxford), Executive MSc in Finance, Strategic Business Unit Management (in Doha), Fashion and Brand Management and six programs taught in French: Management d’une Unité Stratégique, Management Stratégique de l’Information et des Technologies (in partnership with MINES ParisTech), Gestion Financière, Direction Marketing et Stratégie Commerciale.

400 students

PhD PROGRAM

► HEC is the only French business school, accredited by the French Ministry of Education, to grant, alone, the Ph.D. in management. The degree is awarded in recognition of postgraduate management studies designed to prepare for a university or business school career. 80 per-cent of the HEC Ph.D. graduates work in the international academic scene.

► A Program With Global Reach and Local Ties

► The HEC Paris Ph.D. Program builds on a longstanding tradition of excellence. We are renowned for our rigorous selection process, the high caliber and ambition of our students and our small sized program. We admit outstanding candidates from all over the world. Current Ph.D. students joined us from 25 different countries. Doctors are recurrently recruited in the leading business schools worldwide.

► A Diversity of Backgrounds

► Over 70 students bring to HEC Paris a diversity of experiences and backgrounds. Coming from all continents, of 22 nationalities, they represent a perfect balance of gender (40% women), occupational background and disciplinary training.

70 students
FACULTY AND RESEARCH

The faculty is at the heart of the creation and diffusion of knowledge at HEC.

With 64% of professors coming from abroad, the faculty is at the forefront of the world-renowned research carried out in all the different management disciplines.

Through their quality and diversity, their work reflects the open-mindedness and intellectual demands of HEC.

This faculty is further reinforced by the affiliated professors who provide students and participants with key academic, professional and pedagogical skills.

Each year, around 49 visiting professors come to teach and lead research alongside the HEC professors.

As for research, HEC Paris benefits from a direct collaboration with the CNRS. GREGHEC, a research unit, comprises 5 permanent CNRS researchers and the majority of HEC professors. The institution is also very well known within the French scientific community, as well as having access to national research funds.

445 research articles published in the last 5 years

The development of academic research has paved the way for several partnerships with some of the most renowned scientific institutions in France. A consortium agreement has been signed with Polytechnique and the ENSAE within Labex Ecocitec (The Economy and Science of decisions: Regulating the economy in order to serve society). HEC is a member of the Equipex CASD (Centre for Secure Remote Data Access) Consortium which unites the ENSAE, Polytechnique, the ENS Cachan and the INSEE.

Finally, as a founding member, HEC plays an active role in the implementation of the University of Paris-Saclay which comprises 19 elite institutions of French academia.

Centers of expertise

HEC Paris is home to research centers and expertise open to students and professionals: Alternative Management Observatory; Center of Geopolitics; Entrepreneurship Center; HEC Europe Institute; Finance Club; Laboratory of Management of New Research Center on Innovation (INNO); Research Center on Individuals and Organizations (RIO); Society and Organizations (SnO)…

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

For more than 30 years, entrepreneurship has been one of the main components of global strategy at HEC, confirming the institution as an authority on the subject in France, Europe and the rest of the world. HEC Paris also offers educational programs in entrepreneurship (such as HEC entrepreneurs, Challenge +…), and encourages the creation of business through accompanying activities, incubation, funding of creation projects, and the recovery and expansion of business in their early stages.

The HEC Incubator, created in 2007 by two HEC students, hosts around 30 innovative service projects each year, as well as social projects and recovery. 100 businesses created per year.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS

The “Partnership in International Management” (PIM, 1973) facilitates student exchanges between over 60 of its top member schools and universities worldwide.

The “CEMS Global Alliance in Management Education” (CEMS, 1988) is a strategic alliance of leading academic institutions, corporate partners and social partners across the world. Every year, it delivers its flagship one-year degree CEMS Master in International Management to over 1,000 students from the CEMS member schools.

Furthermore, in 2014 HEC Paris joined the Global Network in Advanced Management network (GNAM), an international academic training partnership initiated by Yale School of Management in 2012 that is focused on innovation management and versatility.

DOUBLE AND JOINT DEGREES

North-America:

Georgetown University-Mc Court School of Public Policy;
Georgetown University-Law Center;
MIT Sloan School of Management;
New York University-Stern;
Tufts University-Fletcher;
Yale University;
Wisconsin School of Business.
Latin America:
FGV-Escola de Administração de Empresas de São Paulo;
ITESM Tec de Monterrey;
Pontifical Catholic University of Chile;
Universidad Torcuato Di Tella.

Asia:
Chinese University of Hong Kong;
IIM Ahmedabad;
Keio Business School;
National University of Singapore;
Tsinghua University;
Zhejiang School of Management.

Europe:
ESADE;
Freie Universität Berlin;
London School of Economics;
Moscow State Institute of International Relations;
NHH Bergen;
St Petersburg State University;
Technische Universität München;
Università Bocconi;
University of Saint-Gallen.

GLOBAL INITIATIVES

HEC Paris in Qatar offers a portfolio of development programs for executives, including the Executive MBA and the Specialized Executive Master in Strategic Business Unit Management.

HEC Paris was the first European institution to join Education City in 2010, following the signing of an agreement with the Qatar Foundation for the establishment of a center for Executive Education and Research based in Doha.

HEC Paris also has ventures in Africa and in China.

HEC Paris has opened offices in Tokyo, London, New York and Berlin. These offices are active in the development of the school’s image around the world, the recruitment of international students and the strengthening of relations with businesses and academic partners.

HEC PARIS AND THE WORLD OF BUSINESS

HEC Paris, in collaboration with HEC Alumni and the HEC Foundation, maintains long-standing relations within the business world. These privileged partnerships take several forms: annual talent fairs for recruitment of students; corporate partnerships with the HEC Foundation; membership of a thematic center and the creation of a teaching or research chair.

HEC ALUMNI

The HEC Paris Alumni network is among the largest in Europe with more than 52,000 Alumni based in 132 countries. It was founded in 1883 to develop a powerful and dynamic lifelong connection to the HEC Paris community and is now presided over by Emmanuel Chain (H.85).

The alumni network promotes global awareness of the HEC Paris brand and supports HEC Paris’ future development. Its first mission is to facilitate exchange and experience-sharing among its members within a dynamic and fraternal network which counts over 450 entities (48 professional groups, 78 overseas groups and 25 clubs). HEC Alumni also organizes over 1,000 events each year across the globe, and provides one-on-one career coaching with a thousand experimented mentors.

1 000 events every year

ACCREDITATIONS

In 2000 HEC Paris became the first French Business School to obtain the prestigious triple-crown accreditation from AMBA (Association of MBAs), EQUIS (by the European Foundation for Management Development, EFMD) and AACSB (The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business).

Since then, HEC Paris’ continued status as a triple-accredited institution has confirmed our high quality standards and ensured our academic standing amongst top worldwide institutions.
HEC has bolstered its international presence by forging strategic academic partnerships with leading institutions worldwide

**Canada:** Schulich School of Business (Toronto) - Queen’s School of Business, Kingston (Ontario)  
University of Western Ontario - Western Business School (IVEY), London (Ontario)  
McGill University, Montréal - University of British Columbia, Vancouver (British Columbia)

**United States:** Boston University - School of Law - MIT - Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Georgetown - Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy - Tufts University - New York University, Leonard N. Stern School of Business - Parsons The New School of Design - University of Virginia, McIntire School of Commerce - John Hopkins University - University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School - University of California at Los Angeles - University of Texas at Austin - McCombs Business School - University of Michigan, Ross Business School, Ann Arbor, Michigan - Babson College, Wellesley (Massachusetts) - Indiana University - Kelley School of Business, Bloomington (Indiana) - University of Southern California - Marshall Business School, Los Angeles (California)  
Duke University - Cornell University - UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, (North Carolina)

**Argentina:** Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Buenos Aires  
**Brazil:** Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro - Fundação Getulio Vargas, Sao Paulo and Rio  
**Chile:** Pontificia Universidade Catolica de Chile, Santiago and Rio - Universidad Adolfo Ibañez  
**Mexico:** Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico (ITAM)

**Peru:** ESAN Graduate School of Business  
**South Africa:** University of Witwatersrand Wits Business School  
**Israel:** Tel Aviv University - Technion – Israel Institute of Technology  
**Kuwait:** Kuwait University - College of Business Administration  
**Austria:** Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien (WU)  
**Belgium:** Université Catholique de Louvain  
**Czech Republic:** Prague University of Economics (VSE)  
**Denmark:** Copenhagen Business School  
**Egypt:** AUC School of Business - The American University in Cairo  
**Finland:** Aalto University School of Economics
Germany: Freie Universität Berlin – University of Mannheim School of Business Administration
Technische Universität München – Universität Zu Köln

Hungary: University College Dublin Smurfit School of Business – Trinity College of Dublin

Ireland: Corvinus University of Budapest

Italy: Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi – Libera Università Internazionale degli Studi Sociali (LUISS)

Norway: Norges Handelshøyskole (NHH)

Netherlands: RSM Erasmus Universiteit

Poland: Warsaw School of Economics

Russia: MGIMO, Moscow – GSOM St Petersburg – School of Management

Spain: Universidad Carlos III de Madrid – ESADE, Barcelone

Sweden: Stockholm School of Economics

Switzerland: Universität St-Gallen

Turkey: Koç University

United Kingdom: London School of Economics – University of Edinburgh – University College London – University of Warwick – Imperial College London

Australia: The University of Melbourne – The University of Sydney

China: Fudan University, School of Management – The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Faculty of Business Administration – Hong Kong University of Sciences Technology (HKUST) – Tsinghua University, School of Economics and Management, Beijing – SISU Shanghai International Studies University, Shanghai – Peking University

India: Ashoka University, Haryana – Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA) – Bangalore (IIMB) – Calcutta (IIMC)

Japan: GraSPP Graduate School of Public Policy, Tokyo – The University of Tokyo – Faculty/Graduate School of Economics – Keio University, Tokyo – Hitotsubashi University – Graduate School of Commerce, Tokyo

New Zealand: Auckland University of Technology

Philippines: Asian Institute of Management Washington Sycip Graduate School of Business, Makati

Singapore: National University of Singapore – Singapore Management University

South Korea: Seoul National University – College of Business Administration, Seoul

Taiwan: National Taiwan University (NTU), Taipei
Cross cultural Approach
For many years, HEC has pioneered a truly cross-cultural and international approach to management education with students, faculty, corporate partners and alumni around the globe. International students form an important part of the student body representing 35% of HEC Students (more than 2,100) across all programs. HEC’s faculty is highly dedicated to academic research and has gained a well-established expertise in all areas of management. This ensures that the training is based on the latest developments in this field. HEC Paris offers exchange students the opportunity to acquire core knowledge and skills in an international context, with a variety of disciplines of study:

- Fiscal policy & Law
- Finance & Economics
- Strategy & Management
- Marketing
- Accounting & Management Control
- Operations Management Information Technology
- Decision Science & Information System
- Management & Human Resources
- French Language and Culture.

French language
Speaking French is not a prerequisite to join HEC Exchange Program. Electives and French civilization courses are offered to international students. At the end of the term, students have the opportunity to take the Test d’évaluation de français (TEF), to get an official proof of their level in French. The registration to the test session is free and optional if participation to the French language class during the Exchange. The test result is not included in the final transcript.

Geographical Background
The Exchange Program enables students to experience a long period of studying abroad, according to bilateral agreement with more than 80 partner universities and business schools in 37 countries on all 5 continents. Each year the Exchange program welcomes around 350 students.

Coming to HEC as an exchange student?
Please apply through the International Office of your home university. You must first be selected there and nominated for the exchange.

Close links to the international Business World through companies participating in courses, conferences, business games and recruitment sessions.

International network & exposure
“HEC exchange program is a “once-in-a-lifetime” opportunity, and my time here has been unforgettable. Leaving my comfort zone to study abroad at HEC has proven to be a fantastic decision. My semester in France has been a tremendous source of personal growth – intellectually and socially. HEC offers a variety of courses taught by world-class professors. From sports marketing to digital strategy, my experience in the classroom surely lived up to the institution’s reputation. HEC joins together ambitious students from all over the world – each with their own interests, passions, and strengths. Problem solving alongside them has truly been a unique learning experience. The group projects turned into friendships, which turned into lifelong relationships. Exploring Paris and Europe with the HEC community was incredible, and I will always cherish the memories.”

Jeremy Ric Serafin
University of Southern California Exchange Student
2015

“For my year abroad, I was looking for a highly ranked university that offered specialized strategy classes and that was close to Paris. HEC offered me those things and more. From convenient on-campus accommodation to the amount of support from staff, HEC has been very welcoming. Moving abroad without my family for the first time was quite daunting; but thanks to the International Society I felt at ease. Participating in both professional and social events on campus gave me opportunities to meet people from around the world, network and ultimately make lots of new friends. If you are looking for a university that gives you the chance to explore academically and a great base to visit Europe, I would definitely recommend HEC.

You can find my contribution on the HEC EXPERIENCE blog.”

Ami Banerjee
Warwick Business School Annual Exchange 2016 - 2017

“Completing a one-year exchange at HEC Paris changed so many fundamental aspects about me. It’s difficult to describe the impact of such a vast, overwhelming experience without sounding cliché but it really did change my life. For me, what will always remain most memorable are the like-minded students that I was surrounded by every day. So many of the people that I met had this infectious motivation to always strive to do better. They inspired me to stop thinking ‘I’m going to do this, achieve this and finish this one day, maybe a few years in the future’ and actually start acting on it in the present.”

Adriana Music
University of Sydney Annual Exchange 2016 - 2017
Academic Environment & Resources

28 Amphitheaters
1 Classroom and one amphitheater equipped with video-conference system,
1 Trading room (in collaboration with Reuters)

1 Classrooms seating 18/24 people
7 Classrooms seating 40/50 people
1 Open-access computer room, networked pcs throughout the campus, Wi-Fi

1 Printing center
1 Spacious 1000 m² reception/exhibition area
1 Place of worship
Library resources

- 14 computers with an Office suite, and SPSS, Stata et SAS/Stat licenses
- 4 Macbooks are available in the main room
- 1 Bloomberg terminal is available in the «Stock Markets» space of the main room

Printers, copiers, scanners
Two multi-function devices (or MFD) are available in the main room and connected to the campus network (both wired and wireless). An easy-to-use book scanner allows you to scan some book pages or articles and to save them on a flash drive or email them.

Touchscreen tablets / eReaders
The HEC library offers the loan of:
- 14 iPads
- 4 iPads Mini
- 3 Microsoft Surface
- 2 Kindle Fire
- 1 Kobo Arc
- 2 Kindle Paperwhite
- 2 Kobo Touch
All those devices are pre-loaded with ebooks and apps.

Working Areas

The library provides enough seating for 250 people distributed in several spaces:
- the main room
- the Creative Workshop room
- the Entrepreneurship & Career room
- the Lab
- the Visio Conferencing room
- 3 teamwork rooms

Several spaces dedicated to group works
- The «Lab»: a large space dedicated to creativity and co-creation equipped with 4 projection screens, writable walls, and an interactive whiteboard
- Working rooms: fitted for 4 up to 25 persons, either equipped with: video projector, SmartKapp, whiteboard or writable walls, a projection screen and/or a camera

Book Shop

1 book shop are located in the Executive Education building.
It will meet all your readings needs in English and French.
Students can also buy stationary supplies (binding service).

Center for Resources & English Activities

The CREA is in charge of all campus activities and programs involving the English-speaking world, and provide the students with tools to improve their foreign language skills (workstations, grammar, vocabulary, listening comprehension, DVDs).
Cost of living (2019-2020)
- Accommodation: 550€
  - Refundable deposit: 450€*
  - Non-refundable processing fee: 220€*
- Meals: Approximately 15 /day, lunch and dinner at the student restaurant, (R.U.)
- Mandatory travel insurance: inclusive of repatriation, personal liability and health + medical expenses.
- Housing insurance: Can be obtained when opening a bank account on campus during the banks forum.
- Fee for Resident’s permit (if required): 60 €, (OFII), renewal: 49 €
- International Student society membership (optional): from 40 € /semester.
- Sports fee (optional): 30 € /semester.
*Required at time of reservations

Banking
ATM machine is located behind the campus reception building, just after the gate.
Banks will be present on campus during the welcome week, offering services to students (account openings, housing insurance).

IT Services
7 open-access computer rooms: computer terminals are available on campus for internet browsing and E-mail access, as well as printers (student will need student card). 1,200 networked PCs throughout the campus, equipped with wireless internet access (Wi-Fi).
The IT Services provides personal assistance in case of problem with connections (the power standard is 50Hz).

Health Care & Coverage
A medical service is available on campus to all students.
Your compulsory health insurance will cover the cost of most treatments according to health problems students regularly have.
Personal liability insurance is compulsory for all exchange students (European and non-European).
On-Campus Accommodation (subject to availability and not guaranteed)

Our campus welcomes 4,400 students from all over the world every year in full-time programs. On-campus accommodation opportunities are given to all international students. A list of various off-campus accommodation options is also available upon request.

Students are offered the possibility to live on Campus by renting a room, in one of the 16 student’s halls, which are divided into 1,530 furnished rooms and flats.

Off-Campus Accommodation Students

Various off-campus alternatives offered:

- http://hec.studapart.com/fr/hec/
- ECLA Massy

Access with HEC personal credentials

https://paris.bluestripeliving.com/
Transportation
- Trains to Paris from Jouy-en-Josas (approx 45 minutes).
- Public bus service several times a day from campus to the Jouy-en-Josas train station.
- Carpooling and carsharing are available on campus since 2010.

Paris and its suburb are well served by interconnected public transport:
- an efficient bus network inside Paris,
- le Métro, the underground network,
- le RER, Réseau Express Régional, a fast train network linking the Paris métro and the suburb.
For further information:
http://www.hec.edu/HEC-Paris/Campus-Access

Shuttle service
For both fall and spring intakes, the International Office provides airport shuttle service to HEC campus, with SAVAC buses, mainly from Roissy CDG Airport and occasionally from Orly Airport. In addition to the public bus service, a shuttle service for students and employees has been implemented between the campus, Massy station and Paris Pont de Sèvres metro station, shuttles running including on night and week-ends.
Students organizations

All organizations are described on the students web-site: http://www.campushec.com/
- humanitarian, cultural, events-related and career-related associations. Social and professional clubs are dedicated to topics such as finance, marketing, business ethics...

HEC IS will ensure you have a great time on campus, immersed in the French culture, but also among a real melting pot of people from all over the world.

With the support of the International Office, they have edited two guides «Tips for your survival at HEC» and «Tips for your survival in Paris». In the second one, HEC IS team gives you tips and advices as to what venues you should attend and monuments you should visit in the world’s most beautiful city.

The BDE (the main Student Union) is one of the main organizers of social and leisure events.

The International Student Society is a student-run association whose purpose is to bring French and international students together through events such as the welcome week, «Discover France» week-ends and various on-campus activities or Paris outputs.

HEC International Society on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/hecinternationalsociety
http://www.hecis.fr/
A wide range of sports are available, taking advantage of the campus’ outstanding installations and the school’s physical education staff.

A 12,000 m² outdoor facilities include a rugby pitch, two soccer fields, four tennis courts, an athletics field and a golf practice range.

Off-site sports include, rowing, riding, skiing, sailing, golf, swimming,…

A 1,600 m² gymnasium is available for multi indoor sports, dance, ping-pong, a 200 m² fully equipped and a connected fitness center, a dojo room, karate, aerobics and yoga.

Each sport corresponds to a section of the HEC Sports Organization. Second-year students run the association in collaboration with the Sports Office and staff.

19 sports organizations offer to choose among Aikido, Rowing, Basketball, Riding, Climbing, Fencing, Football, Golf, Handball, Judo, Sailing, Rugby, Swimming, Ski, Tennis, Volleyball, Running,…

They organize a series of events and activities throughout the year. Sport fees: from 301/semester.

HEC teams compete with other universities in all sports disciplines, as well as in the Business School Coupe de France competition in team sports, and in the Triangular Polytechnique-Centrale-HEC tournament.

- In addition, HEC MBA students organize the MBA Tournament, which gathers more than 1,000 participants on campus, many of whom come from foreign MBA programs.

The sports year generally concludes with Jump HEC, an international obstacle-jumping course contest which draws leading French riders competing on an exceptional site.
Extracurricular Activities

Examples of Events for International Students

In addition to the activities offered to all students on and off-campus, the International Office and the student organization HEC IS plans several events for international and exchange students throughout the year.

► Welcome week
► “Gear yourself up” at IKEA
► Paris guided tour
► Theater evening in Paris
► Parc Asterix
► Week-end in Strasbourg
► Night visit to the Louvre
► Disneyland Paris
► Weekends in French towns: Rouen, Honfleur, Reims, Houlgate, Cancale, St-Malo, Mont St-Michel, Lyon, Blois.
► Castle visits in the Loire valley
► Goodbye week.

France is the largest country in Western Europe. The country’s impressive modern transport infrastructure, notably the high-speed train links, has created many possibilities for visiting French regions: Normandy, Brittany, Loire Valley, South West, Rivera....
### Destination Paris

| **19** | theatres and café-theatres |
| **150** | concert halls |
| **3** | opera halls |
| **1,800** | national monuments |
| **13** | museums |
| **467** | parks and gardens |
| **12,000** | cafés and restaurants |
| **10** | three-star restaurants in the michelin guide |
| **1** | congress centres in paris & ille de france |
| **1** | universities |
| **600,000** | students |

### Paris at the heart of Europe

Situated at the heart of Europe, Paris is a transport hub with 3 airports: Roissy Charles de Gaulle, Orly and Le Bourget 178 cities with low cost connections to Paris.

7 rail stations: several high-speed trains connecting the French capital to London, Amsterdam, Brussels, Cologne, Frankfurft, Stuttgart, Zurich, Baste, Bern, Lausanne, Geneva, Turin, and night trains for Italy or Spain...


### The City of Lights

Paris is not only the financial and political centre of France. With a 6,500-year history, it is also a city of art and culture.

### A dream City

With its image of the most romantic city in the World, Paris is in the enviable position of being the world’s most visited city with over 33 million visitors per year.

In a study titled «the European megalopolis» in May 2009, Paris was in first place thanks to its «picture postcard image» (91%), its most emblematic monument, the Eiffel Tower (96.2%), the Champs-Elysées, «a legendary meeting place» (59%) and its incomparable «cultural site», the Louvre (60.3%).

The city’s «romantic appeal» places it second (79.5%), after Barcelona, the «capital of fun» (87.1%).

Montmartre placed third for its atmosphere, after Soho in London and Barcelona’s Gothic district. Thanks to Fashion Week, Paris is 10th in the «events» category.

### A Business Destination

Its history, renown, heritage and tourism offer make Paris the capital of business tourism and the destination of choice for organisers of any kind of event, be it a trade show, congress, seminar or business meeting.

Ile-de-France is the number one region in Europe in various areas: in terms of the number of Fortune 500 companies it is home to, education, and R&D. The Paris Stock Exchange is the second biggest in Europe after London.
## Frequently Asked Questions

**Jean Christophe DOGUET - Exchange Program Manager**

All students

High quality business education is taught by Professors with PhDs coming from top Universities. International companies' professionals give lectures from all sectors. Course offer covers all management core courses as well as related topics such as Economics, Law and International-European relations. Small size classes (39 - 54 seats).

### “I have been nominated by my home University. What is the next step?”

All students

As soon as we will receive your nomination, yours truly, whom will also be your main contact before, during and after your stay at HEC, will send you: Link to HEC’s on-line Registration Application ISEA, Log in & password via email. You will then be asked to: Register yourself. Upload 3 items: Resume (CV), Transcript (latest), passport type and size picture. Once you have completed this procedure, you will receive access to our: International student intranet page. This page will be your reference to prepare your venue at HEC Paris.

Your local University’s Coordinator, whom is the person who nominated you, will receive 2 copies of your Acceptance letter via DHL (non E.U) or regular mail (others).

You will be contacted via email by yours truly, inviting you to download the latest Course Catalogue and the Course Schedule sheet located on HEC’s International Student Intranet page. FYI: Fall semester: Catalog delivered around end of May. Spring semester: Catalog delivered from mid-November of previous year.

### “When will I receive confirmation of my enrolment at HEC?”

All students

You will be contacted by email. You will receive your definite HEC User ID, allowing you to join the on-line course selection period. For a few weeks, you will be able to: Start building up your course list with your local University Coordinator’s help. Select your courses on-line. Once the selection period ends, only your HEC Coordinator will be able to modify your list.

### “How can I select my courses?”

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### “How many ECTS do I have to validate during my exchange?”

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Minimum 24 for 1 semester is required by HEC. Even though your University only considers a certain amount of transferrable ECTS, you still have to comply with HEC Minimum ECTS requirement. Otherwise, HEC will NOT validate your exchange. Maximum 30 (Maximum can be extended according to availability and schedule) FYI: Yearly students are requested to take at least 55 ECTS.

### “Can I add or/and drop a class at any time during the semester?”

Exchange Only!

Courses maybe added and / or dropped before class starts and right after the first lecture but no later. If you decide not to attend a course anymore, you must inform me straight after the end of the first lecture, by visiting my office, or by sending me an email.

### “Can I leave before semester is over?”

Exchange Only!

The last week of each semester is dedicated to Final exams. In the event that you have taken all tests before official semester ends, you may leave the Campus. Remember to give notice to the Residence Office, in writing (email), at least 1 month prior to departure.
When will I receive my official transcript from HEC? "All students

Transcripts edition can start as soon as all grades have been received from Professors. Two copies of your transcripts will be sent to your University’s Coordinator, approximately 2 months after you depart from HEC.

Is it compulsory to register to the French language course? " All students

Unless required by your home University, no. Nevertheless, HEC strongly encourage foreign students in learning the language from the country they have chosen as exchange destination, this, for any country visited.

Does HEC provide visa and immigration issues support? " All students

Yes, student affairs office representative, can be contacted formalities@hec.fr

Do I have to open a Bank account even if I only stay in France for one academic semester? " All students

It is preferable to have a French bank account, in order to avoid transfer problems, fees due to foreign currency exchange and delays in security deposit (housing) refund.

How can I open a French bank account for the duration of my stay? " All students

During the first week of each semester, a selection of banks is coming on Campus to offer. Banking services such as current account openings, housing insurance (compulsory).

How many exchange students are hosted in your institution? " All students

I am happy to welcome an average of 350 students (Exchange, CEMS Guests and Double Degree).

Does HEC offer on-campus accommodation? " All students

HEC provides on-campus accommodation and will provide a list of off-campus alternatives in the event that on campus accommodation wouldn’t be offered during your semester. Places will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

If I am selected, how do I apply for housing on campus? " All students

Reservations will be made via our intranet portal upon invitation sent to students via email. Booking periods

How much does it cost to live on campus in HEC Residences? "

Rates vary from 550
Refundable deposit: 450
Non-refundable processing fee: 220
FYI: On-campus accommodation is not guaranteed

Is the orientation session compulsory? " All students

Yes, this is the opportunity to have a first contact face to face with your coordinator and the International Office. This is generally called "The International Office Welcome Meeting". Various presentations will take place regarding your stay, rules, regulations and policies, courses, various events, sports, visa info etc... It is, now noted Pass/ Fail and visible on official transcripts
A place where leaders speak