Student Wellbeing and Financial Aid
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The role of the Department of Student Life & Equal Opportunities (Direction vie étudiante et égalité des chances, DVEEC) at the University of Paris-Saclay is to offer support and assistance to help improve the living conditions of our students. The Student Life and Social Action Unit (Pôle vie pratique étudiante et action sociale) within the DVEEC provides a range of services and help students with their needs such as housing, transport, catering, jobs, welfare and financial aid.

The Student Life and Social Action Unit can provide you with your situation to ensure with specific support. In conjunction with the social service of the CROUS of Versailles, our team will guide you through the process and direct you towards the best schemes for you.

Try on "Toutes mes aides" to check all the different supports:

- Toutes mes aides
- #1jeune1solution

Contact us at:
- @aides.etudiant
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The Student Life and Social Action Unit
Department of Student Life & Equal Opportunities (Direction Vie Étudiante et Égalité des Chances, DVEEC)

Our team is at your disposal and ready to welcome you on site:

A note on the listed schemes:

The age limits vary depending on your situation, particularly if you are volunteering in the armed forces, on a civic service mission, if you are a student with a child or if you have a disability. All applications for these schemes and the information they contain are anonymous and completely confidential.

All this information is available on the University's Scholarships and Financial Support page:

Scholarships and financial aid

For any questions, you can contact the student life and social action unit within the student life directorate:

@aides.etudiant

Information on schemes not carried by the university is provided for information only and the University accepts no responsibility thereof.
Scholarships

Grant from the Fondation Giveka
This financial help of 5,000 euros is according to French and Swiss students who are facing financial difficulties due financial difficulties with starting or continuing higher education due to an accident or illness. Requirements: applicants must have French or Swiss nationality financial difficulties in starting or continuing studies due to an accident, disability or illness. Applications should be made to the CROUS social service.

Grant from the Fondation Entraide Hostater
The Foundation provides mutual aid to promising French or foreign students in their final year of study through a one-off grant. It can be combined with any other grant. Applications should be made to the CROUS social service.

Lassences
Assence grants are intended for young researchers preparing a doctoral thesis either in the human or social sciences. Candidates must have obtained a DEA (post-graduate diploma) or a Master 2 (second year of a master's degree) in addition having French nationality. They must also be enrolled in a post-graduate institution in France. Grants are awarded in accordance with the student's financial means and the results of their DEA or Master. The subject of their thesis must also be deemed relevant by the professors conducting the research.
CROUS Social scholarship - the Bourse sur critères sociaux (BCS)

Is a monthly grant to help those experiencing financial difficulties with their studies.

- **Requirements**: applicants must be enrolled in full-time education, a registered taxpayer in France for at least 2 years and under the age of 28.
- **Criteria**: family income, number of dependent children and distance from the place of study are taken into account.
- **Mandatory attendance at classes and examinations.**
- **When**: before your arrival at the university.

**Procedure**
submit your Student social file (DSE) from 15 January to 15 May at:

- [Mes services étudiant](#)
- [Calculator](#): [Calculate your rights](#)
- [Grants and housing: create your scholarship application (DSE)](#)

Specific annual financial aid - the Aide Annuelle (ASAA) - from the CROUS,
A personal aid for long-term financial difficulties paid over the academic year.

- **Requirements**: applicants must be able to prove autonomy or estrangement from family or be returning to education, a registered taxpayer in France and under the age of 35.
- **Criteria**: applicants must not perceive the CROUS Social scholarship and resources are taken into account.
- **Mandatory attendance at classes and examinations.

**Procedure**
you must complete your Student social file (DSE) before 31 December at:

- [Mes services étudiant](#)
- [Make an appointment with a social worker](#)
Select “CROUS de Versailles” then Theme: “Assistante sociale” and Location: the department of your campus

- [Specific aid](#)
One-time welfare payment - the Aide Ponctuelle (ASAP) from the CROUS

A personal welfare payment for temporary financial difficulties paid in one single time.

Requirements: applicants must be enrolled in full-time education and under the age of 35.
Criteria: your welfare and financial situation is taken into account.

Procedure
You will be offered the opportunity to apply for assistance depending on your situation and following an interview with the CROUS social service.

Make an appointment with a social worker
Select “CROUS de Versailles” then Theme: “Assistante sociale” and Location: the department of your campus

University Emergency Welfare Payment - the Aide Sociale Individuelle d’Urgence (ASIU) de l’université

A personal welfare payment from the university for unexpected financial difficulties affecting your studies.

Requirements: applicants must be enrolled in full-time education within the university and under the age of 35.
Criteria: your welfare, financial and educational situation is taken into account.

Procedure
you will be offered the opportunity to apply for assistance depending on your situation and following an interview with the CROUS social service.

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Information
Listening, Counselling and Medical Services

Health insurance from provider CPAM - Assurance Maladie de la CPAM (Caisse Primaire d’Assurance Maladie)

Health insurance provides partial cover for students regardless of their financial means, situation or health status.

The supplementary healthcare grant - the complémentaire santé solidaire (CSS) from the CPAM (Caisse Primaire d'Assurance Maladie)

Can help towards paying health costs for those with modest financial means. Regarding your situation it can be free or cost less than €1 per person per day. Entitlement to the supplementary healthcare grant depends on your situation and financial means.

Requirements: you must have health insurance cover and must not exceed the maximum income limit.

The University Health Service - the Service de Santé Universitaire (SSU)

Welcomes students of the University of Paris-Saclay free of charge. The aim of the service is to help students carry out their studies in the best physical, psychological and social conditions.

The service includes doctors, nurses, psychologists, a dietician, a smoking cessation specialist, a prevention officer and an executive assistant.

Student Disability Services - the Service Handicap et Études de la DVEEC

This department is for any student with a disability of any kind. The University's disability advisers will provide a tailored-made support and adaptation plan based on your chosen studies and your personal requirements.

Information for French students

Information for international students

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01 69 15 61 59

Information
National counselling services

3 steps:
• See a doctor (a local doctor, your own GP or one from SUMPPS, the University Preventive Medicine and Health Promotion Service)
• Choose a counsellor from among the 1,362 partners in France
• Receive a follow-up.

Apsytude
Association providing psychological support to students and promoting student well-being by offering concrete actions (group prevention workshops, psychological follow-up, conferences).

APASO
Association providing a warm welcome for those with personal, family, professional or social difficulties and offering guidance, support and encouragement. They have two locations for their students. The team is made up of psychologists, activity leaders, trainers, lawyers, and social workers.

Psychological support discussion groups
Free remote consultations funded via the CVEC (Student and Campus Life Contribution) at the CROUS of Versailles with Alliance C. Appointments are available via Doctolib.

Students of Ile-de-France Listening Service - Ecoute étudiants Ile-de-France
Part of the Fondation FondaMental project in partnership with the AFTCC (French Association of Behaviour and Cognitive Therapy) and Nightline.
• Self-assessment tools
• Prevention advice
• 3 free counselling sessions funded by the local authorities.
Friends on Campus Association - the Association des Amis du Campus

The aim of this association is to create links between students and local citizens to encourage friendships and to welcome students to the Orsay campus.

Nightline Saclay

A free night-time listening service open every day from 9pm to 2:30am. Available for you to talk freely about any subject and confide in the service's student volunteers.

Chat online or call

📞 01 85 40 20 10 (in French)
📞 01 85 40 20 00 (in English)

Talking and listening circles - Cercles de paroles et d’écoute

A free and confidential online service provided by the city of Sceaux.

Daily from 15 April 2021 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.
Financial Assistance

The state-guaranteed student loan - Prêt étudiant garanti par l'État

A student loan with no personal guarantee, no means testing and a maximum amount of €15,000 to finance your studies.

**Requirements:** applicants must be enrolled, must be French or European and between the ages of 18 and 28.

Civil Service Diversity Allowance - the Allocation pour la diversité dans la fonction publique

Support for candidates preparing to compete for civil service roles.

**Criteria:** achievements and financial means are taken into account.

Master Mobility Grant - the Aide à la Mobilité en Master

A grant of €1,000 when enrolling in a MA course in a different academic region than the one where you obtained your degree.

**Requirements:** applicants must be grant student of an income-based grant or specific annual allowance and enrolled in a MA course in another academic region.

**Procedure**
Submit your application at https://www.messervices.etudiant.gouv.fr/envole/ between 10 July and 30 April

International Travel Grant - the Aide à la Mobilité Internationale (AMI)

€400 per month to enable you to take a course abroad.

**Requirements:** applicants must be recipient of an income-based grant or a specific annual allowance and must reside abroad as part of their course (exchange programme or internship) for 2 to 9 months.
Merit-based grant - the Aide au Mérite

€900 for first-time students.

_requirements:
applicants must be recipient of an income-based grant or a specific annual allowance, with a minimum 70-80% pass rate at baccalaureate or A-level, and must be enrolled at a higher education establishment.

MN mandatory attendance at classes and examinations.

If you live in the Ile-de-France area, a €1,000 local authority grant is also available.

Procedure
No application necessary as it is included in your DSE (scholarship application).

Mobility grant from the Ile-de-France Regional Council - the Aide du Conseil régional d’Ile-de-France

An international mobility grant of €360 or €420.

Criteria: a family income of €19,190 or less. Financially independent applicants must have a gross income above €8,799.72 and be living separately from their parents.
Food aid

AGORAé at the University of Paris-Saclay and the UVSQ
(Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines)

An AGORAé is a subsidised, income-based grocery shop and student living quarters managed by students for students at French universities. They offer products at reduced prices, special offers and various events while developing a number of partnerships.

- **Requirements**: available to students of the university.
- **Criteria**: your daily income must be between €1.35 and €7.50.

**Procedure**
apply directly to the organisation at

- [AGORAé UVSQ](#)
- [AGORAé Paris-Saclay](#)

**Infos**:

- Become a beneficiary

Emmaus

The Association Emmaüs France supports people in difficult situations through its subsidised grocery shops selling food, toiletries and everyday items.

- Ulis branch
- Longjumeau branch

Le Secours Populaire

A French NPO providing relief across various branches, committees and federations throughout France. It distributes food and clothing and provides assistance with dealing with the authorities.

- **Requirements**: these vary according to location.
- **Criteria**: a daily income of less than €10.

**Contact**

- [Information](#)
Ma Ptite Echoppe in Antony (92)

Grocery store and cooperative living space open to all. It offers quality products at the best prices to many people as much as possible. It is also a place for socialising with regular workshops and discussion groups.

Phone: 09 87 71 10 61

Linkee

An association distributing food to students.
Computer and documentary aids

**Personal IT Equipment Grant - the Aide Matérielle et Informatique Individuelle (AMII)**

Financial help from the university to purchase a computer, tablet or WIFI network package

**Requirements**: applicants must be enrolled in full-time education within the university.

**Criteria**: the grant is paid once during the entire course and is means-tested.

**Procedure**
An online application must be completed; applications are considered throughout the academic year.

**Computer loans**
The university has computers available for loan to students for one academic year. They are distributed according to the availability.

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**University libraries**
The university libraries across the area offer a variety of computer and IT services for students.

- You can book a time to access these services online:

  ![University Library page - Book a slot](#)

- **On-site access to fixed computers, tablets and screens**:
  - All university libraries

  **Access to charging points for small mobile devices**:
  - Orsay university library.

  **Access to charging stations for laptops**:
  - Châtenay-Malabry,
  - SCEAUX university libraries,
  - Kremlin-Bicêtre university libraries.

  **Access to group work rooms**:
  - Orsay university library,
  - SCEAUX university libraries,
  - Kremlin-Bicêtre university libraries.

**Access to photocopiers**
In all university libraries, you can copy, print paying with your IZLY card and the scan is for free.

**Access to law/legal literature**:
Students enrolled in a law course can access legal literature online in the University Library or via the Dalloz and LexisNexis databases.
Equipment and Materials Grants

« Never in the red again! »

Free female sanitary product dispensers available on campuses.

Laveries

Self-service laundromat in Gif-sur-Yvette offering a price of €1 to students. Open 7 days a week from 7am to 10pm.

Laverie de Gif :
25 Mail Pierre Potier, Zac du Moulon, 91190 Gif sur Yvette (opposite the pharmacy)

Laverie d’Orsay :
11 rue Archange, 91400 Orsay

Contacts : 06 10 38 04 19

Emmaus

The Association Emmaüs France supports people in difficult situations through a number of devices. It sells furniture, clothes and household appliances at very low prices.

The Ile aux Ressources

The Ile aux Ressources is a recycling centre that collects and sells second-hand items in the centre of Sceaux. Designed to help students to kit out their homes at a lower cost, it is open to any citizen wishing to help their budget and the environment.

Address :
3 rue du Four, 92330 Sceaux.
Accommodation Grants

The DVEEC support

The DVEEC team will support you through the process and answer your questions. You can email us at

@contact

You have access to several tools on the university's accommodation page:


such as:

- the university's student accommodation guide where you will find lots of advice on finding housing, planning your budget, putting together your rental application and living in student accommodation;

- a map of available accommodation near our campuses, both private options and university residences;

- a list of the university's partners with special offers, as well as specific support in your search for accommodation;

- the main housing grants you can apply for according to your situation.

Student Housing Grant - the Aide au Logement Étudiant (APL, ALS ou ALF)

There are 3 kinds of accommodation assistance: APL, ALS or ALF, depending on your number of dependants and whether or not your accommodation is approved.

Requirements: you must be a tenant in appropriate accommodation as your main residence and you must not be related to the owner.

Criteria: income is capped

When: before you arrive at university

Procedure

Apply as soon as you move into your accommodation

 Simulator:

- Check what you are entitled to with the CAF

Apply via the CAF website

(CAF: Caisse d'Allocations Familiales, the French Family Allowance Office)
**Visale**

A free rental deposit scheme for private or social housing for those who do not have a guarantor. It helps cover unpaid rent.

- **Requirements**: applicants must be (pre)registered and the ages of 18 and 30.
- **Criteria**: the rent (including all charges) must be less than €801 or your monthly means must be greater than €1,600.
- **When**: before you arrive at university

**Procedure**

you must submit your application before signing your lease. You do not need to know your future address in order to start the process.

**Avance Loca Pass**

This is an interest-free loan to finance all or part of your security deposit to be paid to the property owner when the lease is signed.

- **Requirements**: applicants must be an apprentice or a state scholarship holder or a student who has been employed for at least 3 months during the last 6 months or a student on a paid internship of at least 3 months.
- **Criteria**: the aid is granted for the main residence and must not have been applied for previously.

**Procedure**

the application must be made 3 months prior to the rental agreement at the earliest and no later than 2 months after the lease.
Solidarity Fund for Housing - the Fonds de solidarité pour le logement (FSL)

A grant or loan for those having difficulty paying accommodation or housing costs (fees, initial rent payment, insurance, furniture, additional service/rental charges or debts).

**Requirements**: these vary as each local authority has an FSL with its own requirements.

**Criteria**: Income is taken into account and applicants must not have received the Avance Loca Pass (an interest-free security deposit loan) following a security deposit application.

**Procedure**
To apply, you must be in contact with a social worker via your local social action centre (centre communal d’action social or CCAS).

Housing installation grant for student - The aide à l’installation dans un logement pour les étudiant.e.s (AILE)

A municipal grant between €500 and €1,000 to help equip your accommodation in Paris and in the private sector.

**Requirements**: applicants must be recipient of an income-based grant or a specific annual allowance and a tenant in private accommodation in Paris for which the lease was signed between 1 June 2019 and 31 March 2021.
Transportation discounts

Imagine R Student Ticket

A special student price applied to the Navigo travel card. The card allows you to travel around the Ile-de-France area and benefit from a variety of offers.

Requirements: applicants must be enrolled in full-time education and under the age of 26 on 1st September.

When: before you arrive at university

Procedure
Purchase a monthly or annual card online.

Learner Driver Subsidy for apprentices - the Aide au permis de conduire pour les apprentis

€500 to help you pass your driving test.

Requirements: applicants must be a student on an apprenticeship and at least 18 years old.

Procedure
contact your CFA (centre de formation d'apprentis or Apprentice Training Centre) for an application.

Solidarité Transport

This allows you to purchase and travel with a Navigo Solidarité 75% pass (weekly or monthly), half-price t+ ticket booklets, and single tickets or half-price booklets valid on the RER and Transilien trains, and you can sign up to the Navigo Liberté+ scheme for permanent reduced fares.

Requirements: CSS (supplementary healthcare grant) recipients only
International Study Grants

**GATE (Guichet Unique des Talents Etrangers)**

The GATE is the single point of contact for international talent at the University of Paris-Saclay and offers a free, comprehensive service for all administration and relocation matters for international students. Various partners provide this service together, such as the Sub-Prefecture of Palaiseau, health insurance and the CAF (the French Family Allowance Office), among others. GATE is only open during certain times.

**Buddy Programme**

The University of Paris-Saclay’s support scheme for international students studying at one of the University’s institutions or completing an exchange programme for one or two semesters wishing to meet local students and get some practical support when they arrive.

**Call for expressions of interest "Support for foreign doctorate students in joint thesis supervision or international co-tutorship"**

Income-based grant supplement for international doctoral students in difficult situations. Covering living costs and bank, insurance and administrative expenses. Criteria: applicants must be registered as a joint supervisor or co-tutor and be recipient of a grant or funding scheme in their country of origin of less than €1,000 per month.

**Entraide Universitaire Française**

Financial assistance for refugee students aiming to join the working world through their studies. Applications are accepted from all countries of origin, regardless of the reason for exile. Requirements: applicants must hold a residence permit within the international protection framework (statutory refugee status, recipient of subsidiary protection, stateless person), and have a secondary school level of education and a desire to go onto higher education.

**Reassurance/Science Reception**

Welfare assistance providing occasional moral support, financial aid, or an event to create social links or promote well-being. It gives access to sessions with a professional life coach, up to 5 consultations per year per establishment. A student loan is also available (on negotiated terms) with a banking partner, and support with personal security.
Emergency Grants

Emergency number
If you are facing significant financial difficulties, you can contact the non-premium emergency number. Open Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm, an advisor will inform you about the various schemes and will be able to help you with your personal matters.

01 69 15 70 64

Suicide Écoute - Suicide Line
Created in 1994, Suicide Écoute is a helpline dedicated to help people contemplating suicide. These helplines are anonymous, non-political and non-denominational and are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

01 45 39 40 00

Emergency Numbers
- 112 European emergency number
- 114 Emergency number for deaf people, partially deaf people and hard of hearing people
- 15 Samu - Paramedics
- 17 Police service and emergency number
- 18 Firefighter units
- 3919 Violence against women information

I want to Help

The "Je Veux Aider" or "I want to Help" platform
Provided by the Civic Reserve, this public volunteering platform places individuals wishing to act in the public interest in contact with public and non-profit organisations that need volunteers. This platform contributes on building a more caring society and is open to anyone across the country over the age of 16 and living in France who wishes to volunteer on an occasional basis.
Online Welfare Simulator

The University of Paris-Saclay gives you access to the ‘Toutes mes aides’ online platform

Did you know that there most likely social assistance to which you could be entitled for?

app.toutesmesaides