



Call for applications

PHD GRANTS

Deadline for applications:
April 15, 2024

Hi! PARIS is pleased to announce and present our **Call for applications to PhD grants**.

Hi! PARIS is the interdisciplinary Center on Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence for Science, Business and Society, created by the Institut Polytechnique de Paris (IP Paris) and HEC Paris, and recently joined by Inria Paris. Hi! PARIS aims to foster research in various fundamental aspects of AI and data analytics, as well as the business and social applications of these methods.

This year again, Hi! PARIS will offer up to twelve **3-year grants for PhD scholarships**. Please **do note that these cover up to half of a scholarship**, and that **they need to be complemented** by the graduate school of the participating institutions. In addition to the half grants, **full grants and complementary grants may exceptionally be offered**, on a case-by-case basis (See page 2 for submission information).

To be eligible to the Hi! PARIS PhD grant, the dissertation project must respect the following criteria:

- AI (methods or applications) should be **central to the project**.
- The project must be **scientifically innovative and ambitious**.
- The dissertation will be hosted by one of the research laboratories of **HEC Paris, IP Paris or Inria Saclay** (Inria Center of IP Paris), **and at least one of the supervisors must be a member of their research laboratories**.

There is no restriction based on topic or on discipline. Applicants may contact Hi! PARIS (contact@hi-paris.fr) should they want to have more information, or to get in touch with Hi! PARIS corporate donors to identify research topics of common interests and to discuss potential data availability.

Co-supervision by researchers from HEC Paris and IP Paris is encouraged.

For your information, the application should include the following documents, either in French or in English:

- A CV of the candidate, along with relevant documents (transcripts from master program should be provided at minimum)
- A cover letter
- A detailed description of the project (4-5 pages)
- The name and status (academic rank, "Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches" or not) of the main thesis supervisor and, if relevant, of the co-supervisor
- 2 letters of recommendation taking the following form `Recommandation_CandidateName_ProfName.pdf`
- Details about co-funding arrangements (when relevant)

Funded PhD students are expected to contribute to the scientific life of the Center (participation to activities, events).

Depending on the type of funding requested, the application submission is as follow:

1- HALF and FULL PHD GRANTS

Applications for new PhD scholarships (half and full) should be sent via <https://www.adum.fr/> by April 15, 2024. These applications will be processed by the doctoral school, following its submission rules, calendar and evaluation process.

2- COMPLEMENTARY PHD GRANTS

Complementary PhD grants are allocated to students receiving a scholarship that does not ensure an equivalent level of salary at their host institution. Hi! PARIS therefore offers to supplement the student's scholarship. Applications are processed on a case-by-case basis.

Applicants must justify the amounts requested and the income gap. **To this end, in addition to the above-mentioned documents, a financial argument and a cost request must be sent.**

Application for complementary PhD grants should be sent by the Thesis supervisor by e-mail to project@hi-paris.fr by April 15, 2024. The subject of the email should mention the object "Hi! PARIS PhD Complementary Grant".

These specific applications are evaluated by a panel issued from the Hi! PARIS Academic Operating Committee (composed of researchers, academic representatives from the institutions involved in the Center). The funding decision is validated by the Hi! PARIS Academic Operating Committee under the responsibility of the Hi! PARIS Executive Director.

The results will be announced to the applicants at last on June 3, 2024.

For any request, feel free to contact the Center by e-mail (contact@hi-paris.fr).