



Call for applications: EUR ArChal Master training and certification (1st year)

The Graduate School of Research *Archaeological Challenges* – EUR ArChal is launching an application call for Master training certification for the academic year 2025-2026. A maximum of 15 students will be selected.

Presenting the EUR ArChal in a few words

EUR ArChal is **led by the University 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* (France).

It 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 provides 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*.

On the one hand the training and research program focuses on **cutting-edge archaeological methods**.

On the other hand, it deals with the following **four major challenges**:

- 1) Environment and climate change
- 2) Power and inequalities
- 3) Conflicts, mobilities and migrations
- 4) Technologies and innovation

For more information on the EUR ArChal and its challenges, see our website:

<http://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en>

EUR training and certification

Students already enrolled at the partner institutions will receive **additional training** to complement their first year Master's degree: courses, workshops, hands on courses and a season school.

This training will be scheduled as follows: 2 weeks of intensive training, the first one in January (Methods and Challenge 2 – Power and inequalities) and the second in May 2026 (Methods and Challenge 4 – Technologies and innovation), a season school during the last trimester 2026 and a short-term internship.

Mobility grants will enable students to take part in internships, the season school or training courses offered by partner institutions in France and abroad.

Once the Master 1 training has been validated, the students will be able to continue for the second year of their Master's degree (academic year 2026-2027), during which Challenges 1 and 3 will be explored over two weeks of training and a season school.





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To obtain their certification, students must complete a tutored project over two years. These projects, carried out in groups of three to five, are in line with the EUR's themes and aim to develop, disseminate and promote scientific results in a spirit of *science for and with society*.

A specific EUR ArChal university diploma (DU) will be awarded by the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, specifically a **skills certification** that will be added to the Master diploma awarded by each partner university.

Who can apply?

- This teaching program concerns **students already enrolled to their first year of Master's degree** in archaeology at the university of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne or the following partner universities: *FreieUniversität Berlin* (Germany), *Universidad Complutense Madrid* (Spain), *Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna* (Italy), *Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales – INALCO* (France).
Students from these institutions following a Master's degree in cultural heritage, restoration-conservation or art history are also eligible.
- **Students enrolled to the second year of Master's degree are not eligible.**
- A good level of English is required, as well as a listening comprehension of French, for foreign students.
- No age or nationality requirements.

How to apply?

The application file shall include the following documents:

1. A ***curriculum vitae*** (maximum 2 pages).
2. A **covering letter**. Candidates are invited to emphasise their contribution to the development of the EUR and their interest in 1 or more of the four challenges defined by the EUR - <https://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en>.
3. The **academic transcript of the 3rd year university Degree** (Licence/Bachelor).
4. The **application form** completed and signed.

Submission and evaluation of the applications

1. **Submission of applications:** all the documents must be combined into a single PDF file and must be sent (via a file transfer service) to Elise.Morero@univ-paris1.fr no later than **Monday 13th October 2025, 23:59 (Paris time)**. An acknowledgment will be sent indicating the admissibility of the application.
2. **Applications will be examined** by an evaluation committee composed of faculty members and researchers of partner universities and institutions. The results will be communicated to the applicants in early November.



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