

CHARPAK LAB (PREVIOUSLY CHARPAK RESEARCH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM)

This program is designed for all students of economics, engineering and natural science background at the Bachelor's or Master's levels planning to pursue training at a French laboratory during their academic break (May to July).

BENEFITS:

- Student Visa and Campus France fee waiver
- Monthly stipend for maximum 3 months (May to July) provided by the Embassy of France in India

800 euros (students interning at host institutions/laboratories situated in Paris)

650 euros (students interning at host institutions/laboratories situated outside of Paris)

*Some institutions provide an allowance of 550 euros to interns in France interning for more than 8 weeks. However, the applicant needs to check with the host institution for the allowance.

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must:

- be an Indian national residing in India at the time of application
- not be more than 30 years old at the time of application
- be currently enrolled at an Indian institution of higher learning in a bachelors/masters program.
- be in possession of an admission/acceptance letter from a French laboratory where the research internship will be carried out.
- the duration of the internship must not be less than 2 months and must not exceed 3 months, i.e., during May-July.

*Please note that final semester project and laboratory research at a partner institute in France is **not** applicable.*

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Your application will be selected on the basis of your academic excellence, as well as the consistency and quality of your statement of purpose. Knowledge of French will be an asset but is not mandatory. There is no CGPA/percentage cut-off for the scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY?

STEP 1: Create an account.

Sign up and create an account on the French Scholarship online portal using your email address and password. Follow this link to get started: <http://scholarship.ifindia.in/scholarship/>

STEP 2: Complete the Scholarship application.

Read the scholarship application, fill each section carefully and attach required documents. The required documents include:

- Scanned copy of the first page of your passport (with photo and expiry date). If you will be getting your passport after the deadline, please attach passport application proof.
- Your full Curriculum Vitae (maximum 2 pages).
- Scanned copy of your admission/acceptance letter from the French higher education institution / laboratory. If you have not received it before the deadline, attach an email correspondence to show that you are in the process of getting the acceptance letter from them. Please note that you have to approach a laboratory on your own, as per your research interest before applying for the scholarship.
- Attested (by a gazette officer or the Head of the institute where you studied/are studying) scanned copies of mark sheets of Higher Secondary School (XII), Bachelor's and Master's degrees (including those of completed semesters of the ongoing degree)
- French language certificate (DELFDALF or from any recognized university or Xth marks card if French was your second language)
- NOC from your Indian institution – it should mention that you are a student there, and are selected for the internship and that your Indian institution has no objection to your internship. The name of French institution needs to be mentioned.
- XII Marksheet and degree
- University Marksheet and degree (Upload your Mark Sheets of your current program i.e your Semester Mark Sheets and for Students pursuing Master's, upload your Bachelor's Degree and Mark Sheets as well)
- Document of employment / internship record.
- Recommendation letter from the university (not mandatory)

*Note: All the above documents must be in word, pdf or jpeg format (rtf, odt, txt, msg documents, zip folders or scans of social media are **NOT** acceptable).*

Applications submitted without required documents, or incorrect documents, will be rejected.

Please note that your statement of purpose is a reflection of your own thoughts. It should explain why you chose the French institution to which you have applied or been admitted, as well as how would the internship program add value in your further studies or in launching your career. Explain why you would be a worthy candidate for the scholarship. Your response to each question for your statement of purpose should not exceed 250 words.

STEP 3: Submit.

Be sure to save or submit your application. If you are not able to complete the application, you may click save and return later to finish your application.

Awardees of the scholarship will be contacted via email; the results can also be seen at <http://www.inde.campusfrance.org/en/page/charpak>

QUESTIONS/ASSISTANCE

If you have questions regarding the Charpak scholarship program, please contact us by e-mail: scholarship.france@ifindia.in

Please note that no reason will be given for rejection of an application. The French Embassy is not obliged to respond to candidates whose applications are incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be taken into consideration.

TIMELINE

Application start date: Tuesday, 15th January 2019

Application end date: Monday, 04th March 2019

Results on website: Week of 1st April 2019