

## Press Release

### **14 Eiffel Excellence Scholarship recipients to join Centrale Nantes at the start of the 2022 academic year. A record number, indicative of the institution's growing international excellence.**

**Nantes, 4 april 2022. Among the international students commencing a double degree on the engineering programme in September 2022, will be 14 recipients of the EIFFEL Excellence Scholarship, including 7 Brazilians, 5 Mexicans, 1 Colombian and 1 Lebanese. Their applications, which were submitted by the school, impressed the panel of experts with regard to their academic excellence and the strong international reputation of Centrale Nantes. Centrale Nantes had 10 Eiffel applications selected last year, and 13 in 2020**

#### **A scholarship awarded only to the best international students**

The Eiffel scholarship programme was designed by the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs to help French higher education institutions attract the best international students for master's and PhD programmes.

Only international students can apply for this programme of excellence, with the following selection criteria:

- The excellence of the applicant, as evidenced by his/her academic record to date
- The institution's international policy: its international reputation and the quality of support services for incoming international students
- The Ministry's cooperation and partnership policy, and in particular, the priority afforded to certain countries for this programme.

#### **Centrale Nantes, an institution with ever-growing international recognition**

After being awarded the 3-star Bienvenue en France (Welcome to France) label in 2021 - in recognition of the quality of the welcome extended to international students - Centrale Nantes has further demonstrated its ability to attract the best international applicants and the quality of its partnerships with top-ranking international higher education institutions.

This high number of Eiffel scholarships reflects the very rigorous and high-quality selection process carried out each year by Centrale Nantes' faculty, in conjunction with our international academic partners as part of joint and double-degree agreements.

International students represent 43% of Centrale Nantes' student body and each year bring together some 80 different nationalities, on exchanges or following double-degrees across our Engineering and Master's Programmes and at MS/MSc or PhD level.

They all benefit from day-to-day support with regard to administrative procedures, immigration, housing and the health system, in their search for internships and jobs and for their integration into campus life.



#### About Centrale Nantes

Founded in 1919, Centrale Nantes is a French engineering school and member of the Ecoles Centrale Group. The school boasts excellent rankings: top ten for academic excellence (Le Figaro, L'Etudiant), and top 250 worldwide for engineering (Times Higher Education). Its undergraduate, Master and PhD programmes are based on the latest scientific and technological developments and the best management practices. With strong international outreach, 43% of its student body are international students, representing more than 87 nationalities. Partnership agreements are in place with 178 universities in 48 countries and two-thirds of students follow a double degree programme abroad. At Centrale Nantes, research and training are organised into three key areas for growth and innovation: manufacturing, energy transition and healthcare. With research platforms ranging from digital simulation to prototyping with full-scale models, and a joint incubator - with Audencia and ensa Nantes - which has 20 years of experience in supporting start-up projects, the school has two major tools for innovation and creation, working hand-in-hand with industry. Through a proactive approach of collaborative research between laboratories and industry, Centrale Nantes has 15 industrial chairs and joint laboratories with leading players in industry. For more information: [www.ec-nantes.fr](http://www.ec-nantes.fr). Media library: <https://phototheque.ec-nantes.fr/> / @CentraleNantes  
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