

*Press Release*

**Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019  
Centrale Nantes confirms its position as an international player in  
engineering and computer science**



**Centrale Nantes makes its entrance today into the prestigious Times Higher Education (THE) Engineering & Technology Ranking – ranked 4th amongst the best French universities and in the 176-200 worldwide grouping for this subject.**

This augurs well for the launch of the Nantes I-SITE "NexT" project, which aims to accelerate the unique dynamic of the Nantes area in research and higher education in order to develop a university site of international excellence in two fields: industry of the future and health of the future.

Out of the 903 establishments ranked worldwide for Engineering & Technology, this ranking places the school at the 60th position in Europe, the top 5 in France and number one outside the capital. Five major performance indicators are used in the THE rankings to evaluate institutions: teaching, research, citations, industry income and international outlook.

Centrale Nantes also enters the THE Computer Science ranking in the 251-300 grouping of the best universities worldwide and in 8th place in France.


*Arnaud Poitou, Director of Centrale Nantes: "Joining this ranking is a measure of the school's progress on the international stage and of the quality of the industrial partnerships in which we are involved. This is very welcome recognition for all our teams and their hard work. This result also shows that the founding members of NExT are on the right track to bring about the future university hub in Nantes."*

**About Centrale Nantes**

Founded in 1919, Centrale Nantes is a French engineering school and member of the Ecoles Centrale Group. Its undergraduate, Master and PhD programmes are based on the latest scientific and technological developments and the best management practices. 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 using full scale models and an incubator with 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. Centrale Nantes promotes its teaching and research capabilities at international level through around 100 partnerships with prestigious universities and schools worldwide.

Centrale Nantes welcomes 2,410 students, including 1,440 undergraduate students, 170 Executive Education and ITII degree apprenticeship students, 270 PhD students, 430 Masters students, and 100 Bachelor/Foundation Master students on its 40-acre campus.

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