**The EHESS Exiled Students Program**

**What is EHESS?**

The **École des hautes études en sciences sociales** (EHESS), or School of Advanced Studies in Social Sciences, is an institution of inter­national import, with over 700 teachers and research­ers, 450 engineers and technicians, 3,000 enrolled students, about half of whom come from countries outside France. It is not a university. It is much smaller.

EHESS trains students in all disciplines of the **human and social sciences**: history, anthropology, sociology, economics, geog­raphy, linguistics, psychology, political sci­ence, philosophy and mathematics.

EHESS takes a **unique hands-on approach to research training**: students directly experience professional research by work­ing alongside scholars who provide insight into the research process. Seminars form the primary locus of research and train­ing.

The **headquarters** of EHESS are cur­rently located at 190-198 avenue de France, 75013 Paris (metro: quai de la Gare, line 6). The majority of its seminars are held at 96 and 105 boulevard Raspail, 75006 Paris (metro: Saint Placide (line 4), Notre-Dame-des-Champs (line 12).

**What diplomas does EHESS award?**

EHESS awards three diplomas:

* The **diplôme de l’EHESS** allows candidates without prior university experience to pursue research training in consultation with a research supervisor. It offers students the possibility of giving scholarly form to a personal pro­ject and may also lead to study at the mas­ter’s and doctoral level. The diplôme is not a recognized national diploma but gives access to full student status. Students need a certain level of maturity as they won’t be inserted in a formal course but will build their program with their tutor.
* The **master’s** program requires two years of study involving an interdisciplinary combination of courses and individual research, and prepares students for docto­ral studies. Students need a BA level or a diplôme to get the inscription.
* **Doctoral studies** are conceived as a process of apprenticeship into the world of professional research in the human and social sciences. EHESS also encourages the undertaking of joint PhDs with other non-French institutions of higher education. Students must have shown their aptitude to research during the MA.

**What does EHESS offer to exiled students?**

EHESS has a long tradition in welcoming international students, including refugees, some of whom have become renowned EHESS teachers and researchers.

In order to facilitate the integration of exiled students, EHESS has set up a program which includes

* Exemption from **tuition fees**
* Flexible deadlines and simplified procedures for **inscription** during the current academic year
* Intensive **language courses** by professional teachers, adapted to the students’ linguistic level
* Continuous **mentoring** by a supervising teacher and a senior student “sponsor”

**Who can apply to the program?**

The EHESS program is open to all foreigners who have been obliged to abandon their project of university studies in their home countries due to persecution, discrimination, armed conflicts or catastrophe, regardless of nationality or administrative status.

The EHESS program does not necessarily require previous university diplomas, but a level of scientific maturity adapted to postgraduate studies, according to the appreciation of the prospective EHESS supervisor.

The EHESS program is open to students from all disciplines with a long-term perspective of research in the human and social sciences.

**What do you need to apply?**

* A **letter of support** by an EHESS teacher who accepts to be your supervisor
* A **letter of motivation** (which you can write with the assistance of your scientific supervisor)
* A **Curriculum Vitae**
* If available: Copies of your **birth certificate** and previous **diplomas**

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