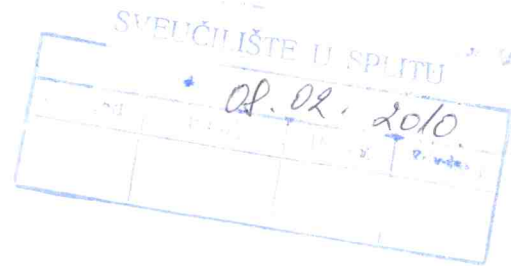




January 4th, 2010



Monique CANTO-SPERBER
Directrice

Re : The ENS International Scholars Program, 2010

Dear Madam or Sir,

For over two centuries, the *École normale supérieure* has recruited the finest French students across all disciplines in the Humanities and the Sciences. In 2002, in an effort to renew its mission, the E.N.S. created the International Scholars Program. For three years now, students have been welcomed from throughout the world to enrich the *École* with a new diversity. These students earn a Master's Degree as well as a degree from the *École normale supérieure* and in most cases continue their studies to complete a doctorate.

They have the opportunity to participate to the courses and seminars offered at the *École*, they are assigned a personal tutor, and are provided with an early research training within the institution's laboratories and international research teams. During their enrollment at the *École*, the international scholars receive a monthly stipend and have the benefit of a room in one of our residence halls. They are entitled to the same status as the *École*'s French students, including the possibility of applying to a three-year doctoral scholarship after their three years of study.

We host these students from throughout the world to build an international community in the service of study and knowledge within the walls of the E.N.S. We seek your cooperation in helping us to find those qualified students who will benefit from their study at E.N.S. and contribute to throw bridges between the world's universities. To this end, we are sending the enclosed poster and leaflet in the hope that it will be communicated to your colleagues and their undergraduate students who are potential candidates for our program. Further information is available on the internet: <http://www.ens.fr/international>, or by writing to : ens-international@ens.fr.

Applications will be received from January 12, 2010 to March 12, 2010. Students whose applications have been accepted will be invited to Paris (in July 2010) for written tests and interviews. The results will be released immediately following these assessments.

In the hope that our program will initiate a closer collaboration between our institutions, we thank you for your invaluable cooperation.

Sincerely,

Monique CANTO-SPERBER
Director of the *École Normale Supérieure*

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