# Application Form

# PSL PhD TRACK GRANTS

PSL wishes to provide special support for high-potential students entering into the field of research and taking on the scientific challenges of tomorrow. Through its PhD Track Grants, PSL and its Graduate Programs will fund outstanding students for the entire duration of their graduate studies, from their Master’s to the completion of their PhD. With the PhD Track Grants, PSL is committed to promoting excellence and equal opportunities for students.

Applicants for the PhD Track Grants must apply for and enroll in one of the participating Master’s programs listed below. Upon completion of this Master’s degree, students in the track will continue to pursue their PhD at PSL.

PhD Track Grants for the current year (2021) are available to those entering eligible Master’s specializations, beginning in September 2021.

Eligible Master’s Specializations for the PSL PhD Track Grants:

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| **Graduate Programs** | **Master’s Programs** | **Master’s Specializations** | **Level of Entrance for the PhD Track** |
| Chemistry | Chemistry | Chemistry and Life Sciences  Chemistry and Innovation | 1st year of Master’s |
| Physics | Physics | ICFP - International Centre for Fundamental Physics | 1st year of Master’s |
| Earth Science and Biodiversity | Earth and Planetary Science, Environment  Life Sciences | Earth System Science  IMaLiS - Interdisciplinary Master in Life Sciences | 1st year of Master’s |
| Life Sciences | Life Sciences  BioMedical Engineering | IMaLiS - Interdisciplinary Master in Life Sciences  BME Paris - BioMedical Engineering | 1st year of Master’s |
| Mathematics and Applications | Mathematics and Applications | Applied and Theoretical Mathematics | 2nd year of Master’s |

***Applications for the current academic year starting in September 2021 will open January 5th, 2021 and close February 7th, 2021.***

***Applications must be submitted via the form below, submitted by email:***

***phdtracks@psl.eu***

**All documents must be submitted in English (official translation is not required).**

**Please note that only complete applications submitted by the deadline will be considered by the jury.**

**All your documents must be sent in one consolidated Pdf file.**

**Please note that applicants have to submit two separate applications: one for the PhD Track Grants, and one for the associated Master's degree.**

* **Personal Information**

First Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Last Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Date of Birth: ………………………………………………………………………..

Email address: ………………………………………………………………………

Phone number: ………………………………………………………………………

Current university of registration: …………………………………………………

Current Master degree: ……………………………………………………………

* **Title of the master's degree and specialization you are applying for** (applicants have to submit two separate applications: one for the PhD Track Grants, and one for the associated Master's degree).

Choice n°1 :

Master’s degree: ……………………………………………….

Specialization: ………………………………………………………….

Choice n°2 :

Master’s degree: ………………………………………………

Specialization: …………………………………………………………

* **Statement of purpose**

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| ***Strict one page limit.***  *The statement is meant to give us an idea of who you are and what you want from your graduate education. Tell us about your interest in the field and your career goals. Explain how your interests align with PSL’s PhD Track Grants. Use this statement to clarify any unusual elements in your CV or transcripts.*  Arial Font, 11, about 500 words or 3000 characters |

* **Research statement**

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| ***One to two pages limit.***  *The research statement should show us where your interests lie in the field of research and specifically within your subfield. Include any serious research projects which you have engaged in, and what you predict for the future of your research if you join our PhD program.*  Arial Font, 11, about 1000 words or 6000 characters |
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* **Contacts of at least two academic references**

*Include contact information of two referees who know you well enough to support your application. We recommend that you consult with potential referees before submitting their names, in order to ensure their contact information is current and that they agree to write positive and informative letters in support of your application.*

Referee n°1:

First Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Last Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Institution of attachment: ………………………………………………………….

Email address: ………………………………………………………………………

Referee n°2:

First Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Last Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Institution of attachment: ………………………………………………………….

Email address: ………………………………………………………………………

Referee n°3:

First Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Last Name: ………………………………………………………………………….

Institution of attachment: ………………………………………………………….

Email address: ………………………………………………………………………

**This application form must be sent with the following documents:**

* Academic CV
* Academic transcripts from each college/university attended
* Official certificate of English language proficiency with score certificate (not mandatory but recommanded)

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