New at PSL and trying to make your study spots bucket list? We constituted a list of libraries, coffeeshops and co-working places where you can study in a good atmosphere while discovering Paris! Don't forget to check https://explore.psl.eu/fr

**BIBLIOTHÈQUE DES LETTRES ET SCIENCES HUMAINES, ENS-PSL**
**45 RUE D’ULM, 75005**

With more than 677,000 documents, the Bibliothèque des Lettres et Sciences Humaines is open to all Ecole normale supérieure-PSL students and is located in the Ulm campus. My favourite study spot in it? The Salle Historique, (Salle 1), the oldest part of the library, a beautiful room with an impressive oak wood furniture.  
https://bib.ens.psl.eu/ulm-lsh-jourdan-shs/conditions-acces/ulm

**BIBLIOTHÈQUE SAINTE-BARBE**
**4 RUE VALETTE, 75005**

Open without registration to any student located in Paris and in the region Île-de-France, this 5th arrondissement library is one of the newest addition to the libraries landscape in Paris. Offering more than 150,000 documents and 100 free-access computers, it's a modern library that is usually less crowded than the neighboring Sainte Geneviève.  
https://www.bsb.univ-paris3.fr/venir/horaires-detaillees

**BIBLIOTHÈQUE SAINTE-GENEVIÈVE**
**10 PLACE DU PANTHÉON, 75005**

While walking around le Panthéon, you might have been wondering, why is there a monstrous line of young people waiting to enter a mysterious building? Well, the line is mostly constituted of students waiting to study (actually, take Instagrammable pictures) at one of the most beautiful libraries of Paris. You might be deterred by the line at first, but visiting this library should be in the bucket list of any Parisian student.  

**BIBLIOTHÈQUE MAZARINE**
**23 QUAI DE CONTI , 75006**

Overlooking the Pont des Arts, the beautiful Mazarine Library is the oldest public library in France. You can access it with a free 5 days laissez-passer or choose to purchase a 15 euros annual subscription.  
https://www.bibliotheque-mazarine.fr/fr/
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BIBLIOTHÈQUE DE L'INSTITUT DU MONDE ARABE
1 RUE DES FOSSÉS SAINT BERNARD, 75005
The Institut du Monde Arabe (IMA) is a Paris institution created in 1983 dedicated to the Arab world and regularly organizing conferences, exhibitions and concerts linked to the Middle-East. Open without registration, the library of IMA has 150 seated spots and a great offer of books on the MENA region.
https://www.imarabe.org/fr/activites/bibliothèque

BIBLIOTHÈQUE PATRIMONIALE DU COLLÈGE DE FRANCE
COLLÈGE DE FRANCE, 11 PLACE MARCELIN BERTHELOT, 75005
Open to all students, this less-known small library gives access to more than 80,000 documents and is particularly frequented by researchers and PhD students.
https://www.college-de-france.fr/site/pole-patrimonial/Bibliotheque-patrimoniale.htm

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BIBLIOTHÈQUE BUFFON (JARDIN DES PLANTES)
15 BIS RUE BUFFON, 75005
Located inside the Jardin des Plantes, this open-access municipal library is perfect for nature lovers as you can take a stroll in the beautiful historic gardens or visit the Jardin’s wallabies between two study sessions.
https://www.paris.fr/equipements/bibliothèque-buffon-1682

BOIS DE BOULOGNE
75016
Located just behind Dauphine - PSL, I advise you to go and relax at the lower lake between two courses. During the day you can also walk around this beautiful lake.
This English bookstore is my favourite place in Paris, not only it is filled with history, but it also has a great view on the Seine and on Notre-Dame. The book selection is fantastic and you will probably be inspired to study, lying in one of their countless velvet sofas, surrounded by thousands of books (and their cat) in an incredibly cosy atmosphere. You can also go to the café and enjoy their carrot cake or cookies.
https://shakespeareandcompany.com

Located on rue Mouffetard, by the Square Vermenouze, this really cute vegan tea room and café is perfect for an afternoon productivity rush powered by non-dairy treats such as their famous fleur de tofu (dou hua) dessert. The atmosphere is so soothing and the owners are so sweet that I more than once have forgotten myself studying there for hours.
https://www.grainesdujour.fr

This incredible coffeeshop and coworking place is located in the middle of the Quartier de la Sorbonne. For 20 euros, you can have access to the coworking spaces, unlimited coffee and homemade sweets for a day.
For more details: https://www.nuagecafe.fr

Located on Rue Mouffetard (which, you would have guessed, is my favorite street), Dose café is my favourite place to enjoy a London fog and a scone while procrastinating between two classes at ENS-PSL.
For more details:
https://www.dose.paris

Located on Place de Clichy, less than 15 minutes from Dauphine - PSL by metro, you can enjoy the flavours of Italy in a unique place.
You might be wondering, why putting a Starbucks on the list when Paris has so many original spots to study? Well, when you will have exhausted this list of recommendations, you will probably want to go back to the basics and enjoy an iced coffee while frantically typing your essay on your white Macbook. But don't worry, this Starbucks, located on Rue Monge, is right next to Rue Mouffetard, and you can still enjoy a really Parisian experience while in the temple of mass culture.

Open 24/7, this coworking space has multiple locations in Paris and offers different spots adapted to your needs. Depending on what you want, you can go for their silent area, their group-work friendly space of their zen area for fairly low prices (1.5 euros per hour). [https://www.la-permanence.com/work-spaces](https://www.la-permanence.com/work-spaces)

If you are studying an ENS-PSL, this is just a reminder to enjoy the countless green areas we are blessed to have in the Ulm campus, such as the iconic Cour aux Ernest or the more hidden Cour Pasteur. Make sure you get your dose of sunlight and warm weather in September before the gloomy Parisian clouds appear in the sky.

Have you ever seen those pictures of fancy picnic on the banks of the Seine? You know, those with an incredible amount of cheese, wine, baguettes and of course croissants and macarons on a red checkered picnic tablecloth? Well, who said you cannot replace all of these items by books and class notes?