



# KAUST

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology

An international graduate-level research university located on the shores of the Red Sea. **Ranked 1st in the Middle East** and 6th in the world of the Global Top Ten Young Universities (New Nature Index, 2019).

KAUST provides an excellent learning environment, attracting top international faculty and students from across the globe, all focused on finding solutions to problems in areas related to water, food, energy, and the environment.

Admission to KAUST is merit based and the language of instruction is English.

## Bordeaux INP and KAUST

**Bordeaux INP & KAUST** have established an agreement that offers a unique learning experience in an international environment to ENSCBP - Bordeaux INP students pursuing their master's degree in:

**MoS Applied Formulation of Polymers and Colloids**

- ▶ **MoS Inorganic Materials Design and Processing**
- ▶ **MoS Nano and Microtechnology**
- ▶ **Ingenieur Degree with a specialty in Chemistry and Physical Engineering**

The Short Term Track allows students to come to KAUST for a three (3) to six (6) month research internship, under the KAUST [Visiting Student Research Program \(VSRP\)](#).

As a VSRP intern, students will be supervised by KAUST faculty on a defined research project, conducting for-credit research in state-of-the-art laboratories.

The Long Term Track offers students the opportunity to come to KAUST in their 2nd year of study in M.S. to attend courses and receive credits for graduation after passing the qualification exam. Students entering this long-term track should then enroll for the KAUST Ph.D. program.

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## KAUST by the numbers

**1,100** Students

**65%** International students

**35%** Women enrolled

**158** Faculty

**810** Research staff and Post-Docs

**7,300** KAUST community residents

**1,909** KAUST Alumni

**65%** of Alumni are employed

**24%** of Alumni are in academia

### KAUST Support

International Office

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### Bordeaux INP Support and Administrator

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# VSRP

## Visiting Student Research Program

**A unique program that offers students the chance to conduct innovative research at KAUST.**

With research opportunities that span the breadth of the scientific and engineering fields, driven students with insatiable curiosity and strong academic performance, can gain unparalleled opportunities to pursue their research questions under the guidance and support of KAUST faculty mentors.

- ▶ Three to six month internships
- ▶ Applications accepted year-round
- ▶ Over 100 VSRP internships offered every academic year
- ▶ Over 200 Faculty projects available for research internships

## Exchange periods

### For the Short Term Track:

- ENSCBP-Bordeaux INP will nominate students, and KAUST will accept up to five (5) students per year.
- Three (3) to six (6) month research placement at KAUST.
- Must meet KAUST VSRP eligibility requirements.
- Students will obtain academic credit for courses taken at KAUST, but responsibility for transfer of credits rests with Bordeaux INP.

### For the Long Term Track:

- By entering this track, Bordeaux INP students commit to pursuing a KAUST Ph.D. program.
- ENSCBP-Bordeaux INP will nominate students by February annually, and KAUST will accept up to three (3) students per academic year.
- Students will be entering their 2nd year of study in M.S. and must meet KAUST admissions requirements for the program.
- Students should identify two KAUST faculty advisor interests.
- **KAUST Degree program options:** Chemical Science, Chemical Engineering, Material Science and Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering
- After completing their first year in KAUST, the student's transcript will be shared with ENSCBP-Bordeaux INP, which will determine whether to graduate the student.

## VSRP Benefits



**USD 1000**  
Monthly Stipend



**Private** Bedroom/  
Bathroom



**Visa and Airfare**  
Fees



**Health**  
Insurance



**Social and Cultural**  
Activities



Access to **Core**  
**laboratories and**  
**major research and**  
**community facilities**

## Application Requirements

Please allow four to six (6) weeks for your application review

- ✓ Official university transcripts in English
- ✓ Statement of purpose
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- ✓ Letter of recommendation
- ✓ Passport with six (6) months validity

## Eligibility

- ✓ GPA 3.5/4 or 14/20 (ECTS B)
- ✓ Strong verbal and written English skills. Recommended levels, minimum TOEFL score of 79 on the IBT or 6.0 on the IELTS

### For the Short Term Track:

- ✓ 3rd Year Baccalaureate or Masters Students

### For the Long Term Track:

- ✓ Masters Students in their 2nd year