

Cotutelle/Dual Degree PhD Programme

Jointly established in 2015 between Sorbonne University
and
Nanyang Technological University



Background/Start up Funding

Sorbonne University
3 PhD Scholarships (2015-)



Paul Indelicato
Vice President

Nanyang Technological University
4 PhD Scholarships (2016-)



Freddy Boey
Provost

PhD Project, Supervision, Formalities

- The PhD project should be defined **jointly** between faculties from SU and NTU
- Each PhD student should be supervised **jointly** by faculties from SU and NTU
- **For each student** the universities will sign a specific "*Convention de cotutelle internationale de thèse*" (international joint PhD convention)

Eligibility, Recruitment and Admission

- PhD programme open to “local” and international students **“Premium students”**
- Each university admit students according to their own eligibility criteria
- Technical (GRE) & Language (TOEFL/IELTS) tests are waived for “local” students
- International students need to report Technical (GRE) & Language tests. Language tests can be waived for students that can show that their medium of instruction during their BSc was English

Eligibility, Recruitment and Admission

- Aim for excellent PhD candidates that are willing to spend at least one year abroad
“Premium students”
- Admission at NTU in August or January
- Admission at SU in October
- The Steering and Joint Admission committees endorse the admission of candidates eligible for PhD

The procedure – faculty perspective

“brief guide”

- **Find an excellent PhD candidate** and make sure that he/she meets the eligibility criteria for admission
- Make sure that the student **submit his/her PhD application** to the respective admission offices
- **Convince** the Head of the Doctoral School (SU) or the Associate Chair Graduate Education (NTU) that your student meets the eligibility criteria and that he/she is suitable for the PhD programme

The procedure cont.

- Ask the Head of the Doctoral School (SU) or the Associate chair of Graduate Education (NTU) to provide a **Letter of Eligibility**

- **Letter of Eligibility**

A letter of acceptance from the doctoral school
- Example

To whom it may concern,

By this letter, I certify that Vincent Mançois has been recruited by UPMC to prepare a PhD co-supervised by Pascal Viot (Laboratoire de Physique Théorique de la Matière Condensée, UPMC) and David Wilkowski (NTU) on *Nonequilibrium long range phase transition in cold atoms: Theory and experiment*.

Vincent Mançois meets the criteria required for PhD student enrollment in UPMC.



Jean-Marc Berroir

The procedure cont.

- The administrator of the respective school send out the **PhD application** (CV, transcripts etc) along with the **Eligibility Letter** to the Steering and JAC committee members for endorsement
- **Complete** “joint International PhD convention” form
- Each student needs to **register** at the partner university prior to the attachment period.
 - **Note!** It should be done several months before the intended period of attachment to avoid VISA issues
- The receiving university is expected to help with registration, immigration, accommodation issues...

Steering & Joint Admission Committees

Steering Committee (SC)

Souhir Boujday, Advisor NTU relations

Muriel Umbhauer, Doctoral School

Bo Liedberg, IGS/Materials-CoE

Roderick Bates, Chemistry-CoS

Joint Admission Committee (JAC)

Christian Bonhomme, Materials-SU

Anna Proust, Chemistry-SU

Pinaki Sengupta, Physics-CoS

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