COLLECTIVE FOR
PHD STUDENTS’ RIGHTS

The continuous and steady deterioration of the PhD students’ situation(s) requires a collective response. Distressed by repeated attacks of the government, the actual health crisis management and EHESS’ internal decisions, we are calling for a radical shift in doctoral politics. The EHESS doctoral council, along with the board of directors, can impose itself as a strategic authority for improving work conditions within our institution. Our presence is decisive for defining the conditions for entering and finishing successfully our PhD programs.

ENTERING THE PhD PROGRAM
Publicize and systematize the centers, formations and School requirements. In order to achieve this, we are aiming at:

1. Creating a FAQ about the PhD programs and the PhD preparatory year.
2. Organizing ‘Welcome Day’ events that will allow different generations of PhD students to meet.

PURSUING PhD STUDIES
The doctoral degree is a university program whose terms must meet equality requirements. To that end, we prescribe the following measures:

1. Non-EU PhD students, fellow PhD students and every student in a precarious situation must be exempt from university fees.
2. The offer of PhD programs must be expanded.
3. Methodology workshops and teaching positions information must be generalized to all PhD students.

The doctoral environment may be violent. Therefore, it is imperative to:

1. Carry out a real anti-discrimination policy.
2. Reduce inequalities related to the PhD students’ statutes (contractual and non-contractual).
3. Recompose and harmonize the policy framing the monitoring committee process.
4. Establish a doctoral mediation unit.

AFTER THE PhD PROGRAM
The promotion of doctors is essential. Professional and academic integration must be supported by:

1. The facilitation of the publication of our works by EHESS editions and the vulgarization of the research (podcast, research blogs, etc.).
2. The creation of a postdoctoral forum and an accompaniment system in order to support the entry in the professional sector.

FREIST MATTER OF URGENCY
FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR PhD STUDENTS IN THE FACE OF STRUCTURAL PRECARITY
And this whenever a government action impedes the freedom of movement, access to the research field and resources.

SECOND MATTER OF URGENCY
ACCESS TO DIGITAL AND PHYSICAL RESOURCES
Thus, overcoming the dysfunctions of GED and the restrictions of some platforms.
We demand an effective agreement with Parisian universities (Sciences Po, ENS, BIS, …) in order to gain access to libraries.

THIRD MATTER OF URGENCY
CREATION OF A PhD ARENA
A place of sociability between the School’s PhD students in order to ensure collegiality, by nurturing the dissemination of scientific and administrative information.