

Internships at the RIKEN Center for Advanced Intelligence Project (AIP), Japan. for Students in France

RIKEN is one of Japan's largest public-funded institutions fundamental-research. The RIKEN **Center for Advanced Intelligence Project (AIP)** (<https://aip.riken.jp>), headed by Prof. Masashi Sugiyama (the University of Tokyo), was created in 2016 to propose and investigate new machine learning methodologies and algorithms, and apply them to societal problems.

The center houses a large number of teams with expertise in machine learning and related fields (mathematics, optimization, statistics, life science, image processing, natural language processing, etc). The center's headquarters and several teams are located in the central Tokyo area, but many other teams are scattered over Japan (Kyoto, Nagoya, Osaka, Sendai, Kyushu etc).

The AIP Center is looking for interns (Master or PhD student level) that will join its research effort. Internships of about 3 months in the summer season are the norm, but dates and length can be adjusted.

Interns will join one of the teams listed in the center's online description (<https://aip.riken.jp/labs-list>), and carry out academic research once there. Doctoral students that apply are encouraged to investigate research topics that may be of interest for both their home laboratory and their host team in AIP.

Eligibility

- Be enrolled in a French school or university, either as a Master 2 student or a doctoral student. Applications from Master 1 level students might be considered if the student has a very strong background and taste for academic research. Applicants that can demonstrate a keen prior interest in machine learning or a related field will be given priority.

Number of Openings

- Up to 10 graduate students in total (~5Master and ~5PhD)

Terms & Conditions of the Internship

- Air ticket between France and Japan is covered by RIKEN. Flight dates must match the dates of the internship: the student shall arrive the day before the official start of the internship and leave one or two days after its end.

- A daily allowance of 3,000 JPY per working day will be provided.
- A commuting allowance will be provided if public transportation is needed to reach the internship's site.
- A housing allowance of up to 3,500 JPY per day will be provided. RIKEN will help you find a reasonably priced hotel/apartment.
- The starting date of the internship shall be from **May 12, 2019**, or later.

Application Process

Interested candidates are encouraged to apply as early as possible. All applications received before **December 1st, 2019** will be given equal consideration.

Application received after that date will still be reviewed, however, we cannot guarantee that openings will still be available at that time.

To apply: send an email in **English** to aip-internship-fr@ml.riken.jp entitled "Application for RIKEN-AIP Internship" containing the 3 following files:

- Completed application form
- Curriculum vitae
- Cover letter + research statement (about one A4 page):
 - For **all** students, explain your motivations in joining this program.
 - For master students: add a paragraph on the list of courses undertaken while enrolled in your master course, and, when available, links (pdf files) to memoirs written to validate these courses.
 - For doctor students: add a brief description of current research and, if relevant, links to preprints or relevant memoirs.
- Consent form for handling personal information based on GDPR

Interviews through video calls will be arranged with potential hosts if your application is selected.

We plan to send acceptance notifications on or shortly after **January 15, 2020**.