

## **Doctoral Program in Computer and Communication Sciences**

Purpose

EPFL offers an internationally highly ranked program for doctoral studies in Computer and Communication Sciences. The duration of the program is typically 4 years, and admission is on a competitive basis. The research areas covered by this program lie within computer science and communication systems, as well as at the intersection of these fields with electrical engineering, mathematics, and the life sciences.

The doctoral program is in English and its start is in September. During their first year, PhD students take courses, participate in research projects, and pass a qualifying exam in their chosen research area. By the end of the first year, students are required to find a PhD advisor. A thesis defense takes place at the end of the program. PhD students are expected to participate in the teaching activities of the school as teaching assistants.

**Financial support** PhD students are hired as EPFL employees at highly competitive conditions.

About EPFL EPFL is located in Lausanne, on Lake Geneva and close to the Swiss Alps.

The School of Computer and Communication Sciences is one of six schools that constitute

the EPFL. It is also the leading house of the National Center of Competence in Research on Mobile Information and Communication Systems (http://www.mics.org).

Application

At the time of registration to the doctoral program, an applicant must have a 4-year Bachelor's or a Master's degree with a strong background in computer science, communication systems, electrical engineering, mathematics, physics, or a related field.

Applications are submitted electronically through a web interface. Candidates are invited to submit their application prior to January 15 for early admission, and at the latest by April 30.

More detailed information is available at http://phd.epfl.ch/edic