Master's degree in Agriculture, food processing, environment. Sandwich course - Company sponsored

Duration : 2 years
Purpose : studies
Level : Master (French "diplome d'Ingénieur")
Quota : 20-25 per year
Application deadline : Several admission periods according to the timing of companies requests ***- first deadline : 28th February 2013 -*** – Apply here : http://olage.groupe-esa.com/
Benefits summary : free tuition fees, monthly allowance (675 € or more) for living expenses for all duration of the program, including 6 months of intensive French training if necessary

Summary
Groupe ESA offers 20-25 admissions per year in a Master's degree fully sponsored by international companies leaders in the fields of Food Industry, Agriculture, Agribusiness, Environment.

Description
French International Companies wishing to establish themselves or develop existing activities in a foreign country, sponsor students from this country wishing to study a 2-year Master's degree at ESA, and recruit them for a managing position in their home country.
Tuition costs are entirely covered. In addition, the student is granted with a monthly allowance for living expenses, amounting to 675 € or more, depending on the sponsoring company.
The course is taught mostly in French. For beginners who are accepted in the programme, a 6 month or more intensive course, prior to the Master course, is also given on the campus, free of charge.
This programme is based on sandwich courses whereby the students alternate their time between ESA and internships in the sponsoring company. This provides invaluable professional experience while adapting to both the French way of life and the company's corporate culture. Successful completion of the two-year programme qualifies the student for a "diplome d'Ingénieur' the most prestigious degree in France. The graduate is immediately operational and ready to take on a position of responsibility on site in his/her home country.

Eligibility
Admission criteria :
- Have earned, or be in the process of completing, an MSc in Agronomy, Food technology, biology, biotechnology, Animal Productions.
- Be under 26
- A good level in English
- Selection made by both ESA and the sponsoring companies, based on the application file and at least 2 interviews.
- For this sandwich course Master's degree, GROUPE ESA recruits students who have graduated with a very good GPA, who are highly motivated by a career in industry, who are hungry for concrete experience of the work world and who are open to learning new languages and new cultures.

Duration
24 months to 30 months, (when French course is necessary).

Benefits :
- Tuition fees fully covered
- Free of charge crash courses in French when necessary
- Monthly grant amounting to 675 € or more during 24 to 30 months, for living expenses.
- Medical insurance for free

Administrative support for :
Visa procedure, housing, residence permit, opening a bank account.

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