



THE AMERICAN
UNIVERSITY
OF PARIS

Building for
the future:
AUP's campus
in the 7th



“To have lived as a Parisian, even for four all too short years, is an experience I treasure and have drawn upon time and time again in my life...”

A University In and Of the City

Founded nearly 50 years ago in the basement of the American Church in the heart of Paris, AUP has grown from an experiment in international higher education into a fully-accredited, American international university offering both bachelor’s and master’s degrees in the humanities and social sciences. AUP is a university in and of the city with a curriculum, community life, and campus plan to match. Students are attracted to AUP for its strong interdisciplinary academic programs and its global perspective, but the University’s prime location in one of the world’s most cosmopolitan of cities certainly plays a key role in any student’s decision to enroll at AUP.

AUP alumni, living in more than 130 countries around the globe, are ambassadors of this unique educational experience, one in which learning is inflected by intercultural dialogue and debate within the global city that is Paris.

The Combes Building

Acknowledging the importance of our University’s roots in Paris, the AUP Board of Trustees has made the decision to remain and consolidate our campus in the 7th arrondissement. The Combes Building is the University’s 3rd owned property in the neighborhood; the others are the Bosquet and Grenelle buildings.

Combes has been an integral part of the AUP campus since 1997 when the University first rented this 1,500 square meter building located on the rue du Colonel Combes, just one block off of the Seine. This early 20th century neo-classical *hotel particulier* has 8 majestic windows looking over a sunny courtyard and an elegant architectural frieze.

Recent shifts in the global economy and the Parisian real estate market have made it possible for AUP to purchase this important campus building at an extremely favorable price. Combes houses nearly 50% of AUP’s current classroom space, faculty offices for the three largest academic departments, the University Art Gallery, as well as administrative offices. The purchase of this graceful and functional building is a key step in consolidating AUP’s urban campus plan and will ensure the University’s perpetuity in the 7th arrondissement.

Investing in an AUP Education

The purchase of the Combes building, investments in renovating existing facilities, as well as the ultimate acquisition of other buildings in the 7th are an integral part of plans for AUP.

However, AUP’s core business is higher education. It is in the educational experience and academic programs that we as an institution want to make our most important investments. Every gift to the Fund for AUP’s Campus in the 7th allows us to allocate precious resources away from facilities and loan repayments and back to academics, teaching and the student experience.

Please consider making your gift today.

“My experience with being enmeshed in the fabric of Parisian life had a huge value and is one of the intangible and essential aspects of ACP/AUP life.”

Tax Deductible Donations

Donations can be made in US dollars or in euros. Every donation is tax deductible to the full extent of the US and French tax codes for donations to non-profit organizations. For information about tax deductions in other countries or for more detailed information, please contact the Office of University Advancement at: advancement@aup.edu or call us today at (33) (0)1.40.62.05.65.

Financial Overview

Cost of the of the Combes Building:	€ 11 million
Cost of building renovations	€ 0.5 million
Loan to finance the purchase:	€ 7 million
Contribution from AUP’s cash reserves:	€ 0.6 million
Total fundraising goal:	€ 3.9 million
Funds raised as of May 2009 (36% of goal):	€ 1.4 million
Funds to be raised for Phase 1 of the Campus plan: 2009–2010	€ 2.5 million



Combes Art Gallery



Façade of the Combes building



Classroom in the Combes building

Opportunities for Naming

To signal our appreciation for your generous support.

To serve as a reminder to others of the importance of philanthropic giving.

To ensure that every gift to AUP supports our mission for educating citizens of the world.

The Combes Building € 5 million

An elegant 19th century hotel particulier that along with the Bosquet and Grenelle buildings will serve for years to come as one of the key anchors of AUP's prime location in the 7th arrondissement.

The Combes Art Gallery € 750 thousand

One of the main congregating spots on campus, the Combes Gallery, founded in 2003 has hosted over 70 shows by international and local artists including art created by AUP students, staff, faculty and alumni.

Room C-11 € 500 thousand

AUP's largest classroom which along with the Grand Salon in Bosquet also serves as an important conference room.

Classrooms € 150 thousand

The Combes building houses nearly 50% of AUP's classroom space.

Engraved Brick € 1,500 or more

Show your support by having your name or the name of someone you cherish engraved on a brick in the elegant Combes courtyard.

The AUP Campus

- ① 31, avenue Bosquet
- ② 10 bis, rue Amélie
- ③ 9, rue de Monttessuy
- ④ 147, rue de Grenelle
- ⑤ 102, rue St. Dominique
- ⑥ 6, rue du Colonel Combes
- ⑦ 11, rue Pierre Villey
- ⑧ 118, rue St. Dominique

