

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**The American University of Paris Launches Alumni Association**

Uniting over 23,000 alumni worldwide to foster community and professional growth

PARIS, FRANCE – May 15, 2025 – [The American University of Paris](#) (AUP) is proud to announce the launch of [The American University of Paris Alumni Association](#) on Thursday, May 15, 2025. This initiative will create a dynamic and enduring community for AUP graduates and former students worldwide.

The Association will serve as the central organization for all University alumni since its founding in 1962. With a network of more than 23,000 alumni in 145 countries, it represents a truly global community. Membership is extended to all alumni, is free for life, and includes an array of benefits, such as networking and lifelong learning opportunities, volunteer initiatives, and enhanced activities on and off campus.

Building on the legacy of the President's Alumni Advisory Council (PAAC), the AUP Alumni Association is the result of the hard work of a transitional board comprised of 22 alumni working in partnership with the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, University leadership, and the Board of Trustees. The Association will be governed by an elected board of distinguished alumni following a robust call for nominations later this year.

"We are delighted to launch the AUP Alumni Association, a vibrant forum where graduates from all generations and disciplines can reconnect and collaborate," says Sonya Stephens, President of The American University of Paris. "Our alumni are essential ambassadors for AUP and each other, embodying our commitment to lifelong learning, cross-cultural understanding, and global citizenship."

The Association will focus on:

- Building a network that connects alumni from all years, disciplines, and programs of study, fostering community among alumni.
- Organizing events, programs, gatherings, and initiatives that keep alumni involved in the life of the University.
- Offering networking, mentorship, and events to support members' personal and professional growth.
- Encouraging and promoting financial support of AUP, and its faculty and students.

Courtney Stombock, VP for Development and Alumni Relations, adds, "This is an exciting moment for The American University of Paris. The Alumni Association will strengthen the ties within our global community, providing invaluable opportunities for connection and growth for our alumni and for the university."

About The American University of Paris

AUP is an independent, accredited international university located in the center of Paris, France. AUP's global liberal arts education offers students the flexibility to pursue their own personal learning journey, including the choice of 28 bachelor's and 7 master's programs. AUP launches vibrant, confident individuals with the curiosity to explore, the passion to engage, and the capability to lead. They graduate with the critical thinking, cross-cultural communication, and problem-solving skills needed to lead meaningful international careers.

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