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GIVING REPORT 2016

A photograph of a graduate in a black cap and gown, smiling and clapping. She is surrounded by other graduates in a dimly lit hall with ornate architecture. The text "YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT MAKES THE DIFFERENCE" is overlaid on the image.

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AUP ASCENDING

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IN SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY

Thanks to the generosity of the AUP community of donors—among whose ranks we count alumni, parents, trustees, friends, and foundation—we attained new levels of giving in 2015-2016. More than three million euros in cash were donated towards our mission-driven projects: to enrich our academic programs, to promote the diversity of our student body and to create a contemporary, student-centered base in the 7th arrondissement. Beyond that, we are grateful to have received to date over 11 million euros in pledges and commitments to AUP's first capital campaign, AUP Ascending.

2015-2016 Fundraising Income from Donors and Trusts

MAJOR GIFTS / CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	NO. OF GIFTS	INCOME (EUR)
Campus Fund	32	1 803 175
Centers	2	308 645
Endowment	1	5 364
Total	35	2 117 184
REGULAR GIVING / ANNUAL FUND	NO. OF GIFTS	INCOME (EUR)
Scholarships	54	40 839
Coup de Pouce	26	6 517
Total	80	47 356
RESTRICTED GIFTS & GRANTS	NO. OF GIFTS	INCOME (EUR)
Academic Affairs	2	533 415
Pripare	1	51 319
Graduate Student Travel Grants	1	22 030
The Annales Project	1	15 000
The Center for Writers & Translators	2	10 092
De Tocqueville Journal	1	9 425
The Cahier Series	1	5 000
The Pike Project	1	4 713
The Pat Thompson Scholarship Fund	1	93
Total	11	651 087
UNRESTRICTED GIFTS	NO. OF GIFTS	INCOME (EUR)
Unrestricted gifts	66	259 300
GRAND TOTAL	192	<u>3 074 927</u>



Student reading area in Grenelle

STUDENT-CENTERED & CONSOLIDATED CAMPUS

After putting the final touches on the Student Life Center in the Combes Building last year, this fall, we opened the doors to the new Teaching & Mentoring Center in the Grenelle Building. This utterly transformed and colorful space will facilitate student-faculty interaction, encourage interdepartmental and interdisciplinary exchange, and provide welcoming spaces to promote learning and mentoring.



Student lounge in Combes

We are now in the final phase of our campus plan: the purchase of a beautiful new building at Quai d'Orsay and its transformation into a modern

student learning center adjacent to our Student Life Center in Combes. It will enable us to create a consolidated and intimate campus with eight new floors devoted to research, writing, teaching and learning.



Consolidated Combes & Quai d'Orsay building

AUP will at last have a permanent home on the Seine where cultures can convene and minds can meet. The support of the AUP community has been crucial to the success of this ambitious plan. For more information about AUP's Campus Development Plan, [see the article in the Fall AUP Magazine](#).

37 PEOPLE HAVE PLEDGED OVER 11 MILLION
EUROS TO AUP'S CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

Prof. Elena Berg & student Shannon Monahan in the lab

CENTERS FOR TEACHING & RESEARCH

The creation of three new 21st-century centers for teaching & research can also be attributed to the generosity of our donors.

The Joy and Edward Frieman Environmental Science Center, which was inaugurated this year, facilitates advanced scientific research and student-teacher collaboration on important climate change projects. Faculty and students are using the Center's state-of-the-art climate chambers to study how shifts in temperature and light affect seed beetles, in order to understand the impact of climate phenomena on this population. The center was established thanks to the vision of the late Edward Frieman, a dedicated board member, and his wife Joy.

The George and Irina Schaeffer Center for the Study of Genocide, Human Rights and Conflict Prevention, established last spring through a generous multi-year gift from AUP parents George and Irina Schaeffer, was inaugurated this October with a conference; 'Legal Legacies Of Genocide: From Nuremberg to the International Criminal Courts'. The conference brought together prominent scholars, lawyers and jurists to discuss the evolving relationship between the law and genocide. Faculty members have already led a study trip to Krakow and Auschwitz with twenty-one

students from courses in Psychology; "Memory, Testimony and the Shoah," and Global Communications; "The Museum as Medium." In addition, 7 students were awarded Schaeffer Student Fellowships to participate in collaborative faculty-student research on understanding the causes and consequences of mass violence, on conflict prevention and resolution, and on the roots of hatred and discrimination.



Prof. Brian Schiff & students at museum in Auschwitz

This fall, with the help of an A.W. Mellon Foundation grant, we are launching AUP's Civic Media Lab, a collaborative, interdisciplinary platform for generating and managing innovative civic engagement courses and projects. For more information about AUP's 21st-century centers for teaching & research [see the article in the Fall AUP Magazine.](#)

SUPPORTING THE STUDENT COMMUNITY

We are determined to keep every facet of an AUP education viable for students from all financial backgrounds and circumstances. Thus, our Annual Appeal supports scholarships and the historic Coup de Pouce Fund. As a result of Coup de Pouce, last year AUP enabled 398 undergraduates to go on 29 faculty-led study trips, an integral part of the AUP academic experience. One hundred twenty four of them received 37,450 euros in study trip grants, most of which were financed by the University's operational budget. We hope that in the future, they will be fully funded by donations to Coup de Pouce from the AUP community.

Six scholarships in the name of alumnus and former trustee Marc Groothaert (Class of 1968) were awarded last year to students from Georgia, the Ukraine and the US. In addition, the charitable foundation named for the mother of graduate alumna Karen Slosberg (Class of 2013) awarded five travel grants to graduate students who focus on social justice, human rights, and international development.

Generous contributions from alumni, parents, board members and friends of AUP have already allowed us to achieve an encouraging level of progress, leading us to believe that our far-reaching ambitions for AUP Ascending are achievable with the support of our worldwide community. We continue to work tirelessly to sustain and build upon AUP's reputation as a world-class institution of international learning, academic excellence, and interdisciplinary inquiry. Thank you for helping us to raise AUP, ever higher, each year.

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Prof. Justin McGuinness and students exploring Fez, Morocco

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