COVID-19: emlyon business school released €608K in emergency aid for students faced with difficulties due to the sanitary crisis

In April last, the Foundation of emlyon, with the support of our alumni network, released an exceptional emergency aid for a total of €408K, to help out 467 students in precarious situations.

As the situation is now long-lasting with ever heavier economic and social consequences, an additional €200K will be allocated by the School to the students hardest hit.

A reinforced financial support

Since 1993, emlyon business school has been supporting students in need via its Foundation, using scholarships and grants, thanks to its emergency fund.

Ever since the pandemic started, an emergency commission was set up to examine student cases, assess their family and financial situations with a view to allocate a short term financial aid to improve their living conditions during this period of time.

As part of this financial support approach, emlyon also initiated a partnership with Toutes Mes Aides (all the help I can get), a platform listing the whole range of assistance and aid students may claim, those coming from emlyon, but also those the government, the region or the city may provide.

Healthcare support staff available for students

As we are going through our second lockdown, the healthcare staff members of the Wellness Center are ever more mobilized to support students with difficulties, relying on a system of healthcare measures and psychological support.

These measures are built around several actions: online discussion groups, a 24/7 toll free line for psychological support, a set of dispositions to support disabled students or even organizing and sharing health oriented webinars.

Our objective: providing concrete solutions to minimize the physical and psychological impact generated by the lockdown.

Protecting our students' employability

In an uncertain employment market, emlyon business school reinforced its guidance for the insertion and career of students, stressing on individual support. A COVID specific section is
available on our Career Center’s platform, to access appropriate counsel to find internships and job positions in times of crisis.

Counting on the force and the solidarity of its community, emlyon also called out to its alumni to open the doors of their companies and provide guidance to our students currently looking for an internship or a job, as a first professional experience crucial for their future.

In the face of such a unique crisis revealing economic emergency, but also environmental and social emergency, emlyon positively accelerated its solidarity approach. emlyon solidarity is to become one of the firm strategic axes of the School, to address its general interest mission.

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About emlyon business school:

Founded in 1872 by the Chamber of Commerce of Lyon, emlyon business school’s intake this year is of 8,600 students from 110 different nationalities, and of more than 6,000 participants in continued education. The school operates on six different campuses (Lyon, Shanghai, Saint-Etienne, Casablanca, Paris, and Bhubaneswar), draws on a network of 190 international academic partners and runs a community of 32,000 alumni spread out in 120 countries. emlyon business school’s mission is to reveal “early makers”, to train lifelong learning responsible leaders, managers and entrepreneurs, with a solid international experience and intra/entrepreneurial capacities, able to address the complexity of the world, to make it meaningful, to shape and transform the businesses and society they live in, in a collaborative approach. The proposition of emlyon business school is to develop such competences within a unique pedagogy, combining academic research output of excellence and the elaboration of innovative learning tracks based on experimentation.

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