



CampusFrance

The national agency for the promotion  
of French higher education abroad

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## What is CampusFrance?

CampusFrance is a French national agency for the promotion of **higher education, international student services and international mobility.**

CampusFrance aims to :

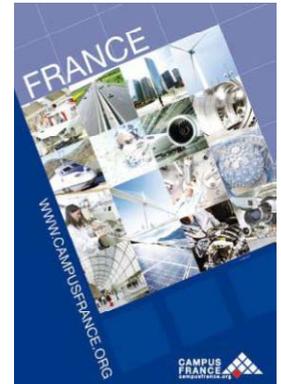
- Promote French higher education programs **throughout the world**
- Offer international students a **path to success** via higher education in France by assisting them with their **first enquiries** made in their home country to their **actual stay** in France and ending with their **return home**



## What is CampusFrance?

### Key figures

- **150 overseas offices** in **97 countries** employing about **300 people**
- 60 million pages checked on CampusFrance websites
- **36,000 study programs** indexed in our online search engine
- 25 major annual events attract 200,000 visitors and the participation of 600 institutions
- in some 30 countries, an online application makes the visa request easier



# Why choose France?

## 1 / Lifestyle

- **the world leader for quality of life** 5 years in a row (International Living Association)
- diversified cultures and landscapes (mountains, urban areas, sea, ocean and countryside)
- **first tourism destination** and **most developed freeway system in the world**
- Eurostar, Thalys and Lyria high-speed trains are directly **connected to major European cities** (London, Amsterdam, Geneva...)
- **high quality gastronomy** classified as Intangible Cultural Heritage by the UNESCO (2010)





## Why choose France?



### 2 / Excellence in Culture & Arts

The French cultural life is extremely rich and offers a wide range of activities :

- Several **festivals** are annually organized in the country : music (les Vieilles Charrues, les Francofolies), theatre (Avignon), photo (Arles)
- Strong **cinema** tradition : Cannes Film Festival is a major event for all the professionals of this industry.
- Land of **architecture** talents : Gustave Eiffel, Le Corbusier, Jean Nouvel (Louvre Abu-Dhabi, Quai Branly Museum)



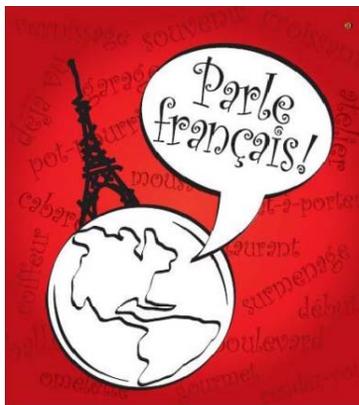
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### 3 / Learning an international language

- More than **200 million people** worldwide speak French
- Firmly established in Africa, the Antilles, Louisiana, Lebanon and South-East Asia
- About 9.6 million Canadians speak French, mainly in Québec
- Individually or with other languages, French is an **official language in 32 countries...** as well as in the **UNO, UNESCO, OECD and the International Olympic Committee**
- French is one of the only two languages **spoken on the five continents** and the most taught language after English (83 million learners)



le français



## Why choose France?

### 4 / High-quality tertiary education



**Equality of treatment policy** : registration fees are the same for national and international students whom have similar rights (healthcare, discounts, housing assistance, meal plans...)

### More than 3,500 public and private institutions :

- 83 universities and equivalent institutions (accounting for 70% of postsecondary enrollments)
- 250 engineering schools (1/4 within universities)
- 220 business and management schools (90 of them issue government-sanctioned degrees)
- 120 art schools & 20 architecture schools
- 3,000 other schools and institutes



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### 5 / Degrees recognized in Europe and worldwide

Renowned institutions are settled in every continent :

- École Centrale in Beijing (China)
- La Sorbonne in Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates)
- SKEMA Business School in Raleigh (North Carolina)



The Bologna process has allowed the creation of a **unified tertiary education area**, which enables bridges to other tertiary education systems in the world. French higher education is divided into 3 “cycles” in accordance with the common European system.

## French higher education

### The LMD system

The ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) is a system of **transferable credit units** that can be **concurrently held** and certifying the successful **completion of academic semesters**. This better understanding of European diplomas makes students' mobility within Europe easier during their college years.



The number of semesters of postsecondary studies and their equivalent in ECTS are counted towards the award of degrees :



- Licence (L) = 6 semesters = **180 ECTS credits** (Bachelor's degree)
- Master (M) = 4 semesters = **120 ECTS credits**
- Doctorate (D) = **minimum of 3 years after the Master**  
(not convertible in ECTS credits)



# French higher education

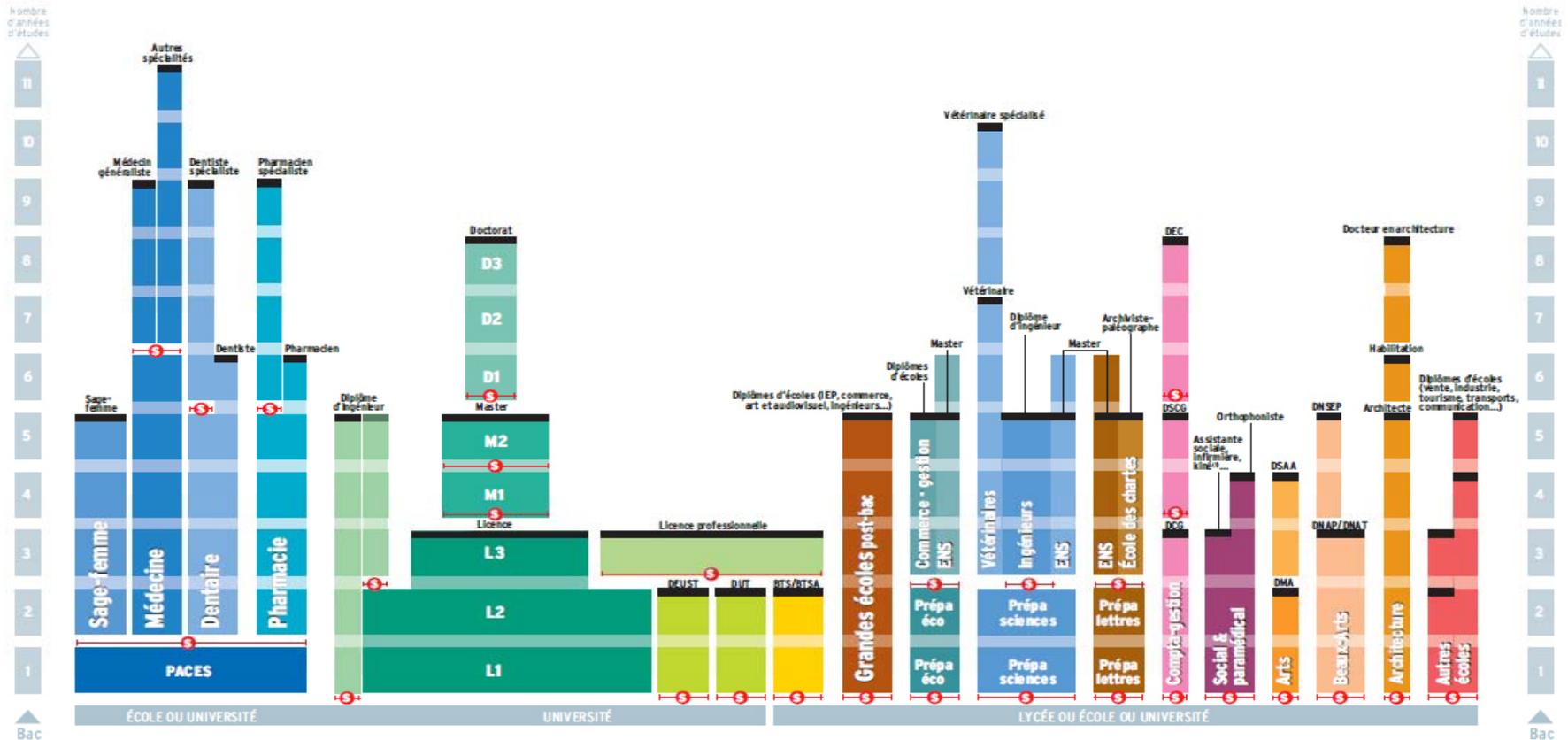
LEVELS		THE LMD SYSTEM		
<i>Universities</i>				
<b>9</b>	18 semesters (+ 9 years)	• State diploma of doctor of medicine		
<b>DOCTORAL DEPARTMENTS</b>				
<b>8</b>	<b>DOCTORATE</b> 18 semesters (+ 8 years)	• Doctorate / PhD		
<b>7</b>			<i>Grandes Écoles</i> Schools of business Schools of engineering	Schools of art Schools of architecture Other institutions (lycées, specialized schools)
<b>6</b>	12 semesters (+ 6 years)	• State diploma of doctor of dental surgery • State diploma of doctor of pharmacy	• Specialized Mastère - M5 • Master of Business Administration - MBA	• IMONP (professional credential for independent practice of architecture)
<b>5</b>	<b>MASTER</b> 18 semesters (+ 5 years) 300 ECTS	• Research master • Professional master • Engineering degree	• Engineering degree • Master of Science - MSc • Business school diplomas • Degrees of the <i>Grandes Écoles</i>	• Diploma of art schools (DNSEP) • State diploma of architect • Diplomas of specialized schools (health, social work, tourism...)
<b>4</b>				
<b>3</b>	<b>LICENCE</b> 6 semesters (+ 3 years) 180 ECTS	• Licence (bachelor) • Licence professionnelle (professional bachelor)		• Diplomas of art schools (DNAT - DNAP) • Architecture diploma
<b>2</b>	4 semesters (+ 2 years)	• University diploma in technology (DUT)	• Admission to the first year of a <i>Grande École</i> program • Preparation for admission to <i>Grandes Écoles</i> (CPGE)	• Diploma of art schools (DMA) • Higher technical certificate (BTS)
<b>1</b>				

Completion of secondary school + Baccalauréat or equivalent  
(eligibility to enter higher education in home country)  
= access to French higher education

# French higher education



## L'enseignement supérieur en France / 2012-2013



■ Diplôme ou Diplôme d'État  
 S Accès sélectif (concours à épreuves, sélection sur dossier)  
 Il existe des passerelles entre ces différentes filières.

BTS(A) : brevet de technicien supérieur (agricole)  
 D : doctorat  
 DCG : diplôme de comptabilité et de gestion  
 DEC : diplôme d'expert-comptable  
 DEUST : diplôme d'études universitaires scientifiques et techniques  
 DMA : diplôme des métiers d'art  
 DNAP : diplôme national d'arts plastiques

DNAT : diplôme national d'arts et techniques  
 DNSEP : diplôme national supérieur d'expression plastique  
 DSAA : diplôme supérieur d'arts appliqués  
 DSCG : diplôme supérieur de comptabilité et de gestion  
 DUT : diplôme universitaire de technologie  
 ENS : école normale supérieure  
 IEP : institut d'études politiques

L : licence  
 M : master  
 PACES : première année commune aux études de santé  
 (Attention, certaines écoles paramédicales recrutent après la première année d'études de santé (PACES))

## French higher education

### Cost of studies

In French public universities, the government subsidizes a significant share of the studies costs (on average \$12,908 a year per student).

Annual tuition fees for 2012-2013 :

- **\$234** for Licence students
- **\$323** for Master students
- **\$491** for Doctorate students
- **\$769** for engineering school students



Some other fees can be added to these amounts for specific services.

**Tuition fees in private institutions**, especially in business schools, are **much higher** : they range from \$3871 to \$12,903 a year.

## French higher education

### The Grandes Ecoles (about 285,000 students)

- Public and private institutions such as **3 écoles normales supérieures** (ENS Lyon, Paris and Cachan), schools of journalism and communication, engineering schools, business schools...
- **Highly competitive and selective programs** : students are admitted after **2 years of preparatory studies**, either by examination or on the basis of their academic record. Schools with a built-in preparatory program may admit students directly from secondary school.
- **Government-sanctioned schools** issue degrees that testify the completion of 5 years of postsecondary studies but it can actually take **3 to 7 years** before graduation depending on the student's career plan.



## French higher education

### French Business Schools' excellence

- **2012 Financial Times ranking (European scale)** : 3 French Business Schools are in the Top 10 (HEC Paris, INSEAD, ESCP Europe) and 20 are in the Top 80 (EDHEC, Audencia, Reims, Rouen, Toulouse, BEM, Euromed...)
- **2012 The Economist ranking** : 6 of the world's 100 best MBA programs are in France (HEC Paris, INSEAD, EM Lyon, EDHEC, ESC Grenoble, Audencia)

### International and European quality labels :

- 14 AACSB institutions (Association of Advance Collegiate Schools of Business)
- 16 AMBA programs (Association of MBAs)
- 16 EQUIS institutions (European Quality Improvement System)
- 8 EPAS programs (EFMD Programme Accreditation System)



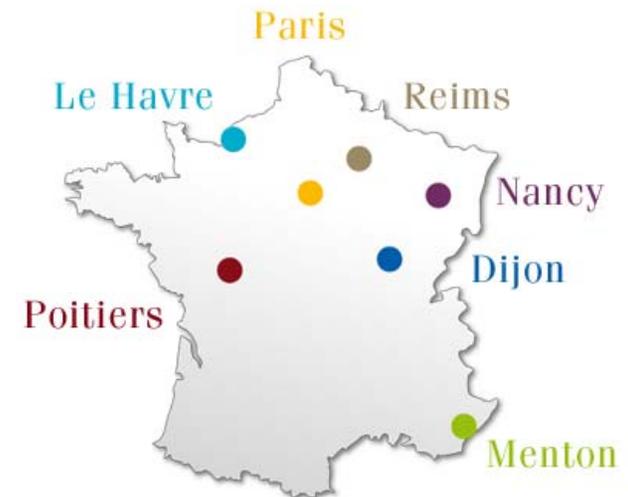
## French higher education

### Political Science - Sciences Po (1)

**Masters** : Public Affairs, European Affairs, International Affairs, Professional Legal Studies, Corporate and Public Management, Economic Law, Communications, Journalism, Economics and Public Policy, Finance and Strategy, Human Resources Management, Global and Comparative Legal Studies, Marketing, Territorial and Urban Strategy, Environmental Studies

**7 instituts d'études politiques (IEP)** or regional centers, each one of them is specialized in a particular region of the world :

- **Paris** (cultural hub)
- **Dijon** (Europe)
- **Le Havre** (Asia)
- **Menton** (Middle East, Méditerrananean & Gulf states)
- **Nancy** (Germany)
- **Poitiers** (Latin America, Spain & Portugal)
- **Reims** (transatlantic relations)



**SciencesPo.**

## French higher education

### Political Science - Sciences Po (2)

#### Useful links : international admissions

##### PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

<http://admissions.sciences-po.fr/en/node/225>

##### UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL

<http://admissions.sciences-po.fr/en/node/596>

##### GRADUATE LEVEL, DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES & DUAL DEGREES

<http://admissions.sciences-po.fr/en/node/185>



## French higher education

### Computer Science/Engineering schools

**Campus France's n+i program** : consortium of more than 70 French engineering schools designed for international students who have already earned an undergraduate degree equivalent to a Bachelor

- **management courses**
- rigorous training in science with **practical training** in engineering
- complementary training in the **humanities** and **social sciences** ("n+i" master)
- French and English are mandatory but students may keep on using their native language
- **corporate partners** play an important role in the training of every n+1 student, preparing them to meet professional challenges through **internships** or participation in **commercial projects**



## French higher education

### Architecture schools

- the 20 French schools of architecture follow the LMD system. Once you get your Master, you have to do a 6<sup>th</sup> year of studies to get your **HMNOP (Habilitation à la Maîtrise d'Oeuvre en Nom Propre)**, the only degree that allows an architect to file for a construction permit
- it's also possible to **enroll a third cycle** to get a Doctorate or another Master in different research laboratories in cooperation with the university
- two other schools are authorized to issue equivalent degrees : l'Institut national des Sciences Appliquées (**INSA, Strasbourg**) and l'Ecole Spéciale d'Architecture (**ESA, Paris**). The former is a public institution, the latter is a private one





# French higher education

Art schools : [www.campusart.org](http://www.campusart.org)

CampusArt is an online system that allows students to simultaneously apply to **60 carefully selected French schools** of (applied) arts and design (200 programs at the Licence and Master levels).



## Daily life and expenses

Taking into account the many discounts for which students are eligible, the average monthly student budget is €1,000 in Paris and €800 elsewhere in the country.



A Fast food meal **\$8.50**



Museum Entrance **Free-\$13**



A restaurant meal **\$12-26**

Bread **around \$1.30**

Cup of coffee **\$1.30-2.60**



Monthly Paris transport pass  
**\$80+**



Movie Ticket **\$6.50-13**



Round-trip ticket  
between Paris and Nice  
by High-Speed Train  
**around \$175**



Newspaper  
**Free-\$4**

*Please note that these are purely indicative prices that can strongly vary from one city to another.*

# CampusFrance website : the first step to reach

**CAMPUS FRANCE**  
campusfrance.org ETATS-UNIS

A service of the French Embassy to promote study in France to students and institutions in the United States

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STUDY IN FRANCE | LIFE IN FRANCE | LANGUAGE | APPLICATION | VISAS | ABOUT US

**Finance your program**  
Find financial assistance for study and research in France

**Find your program**  
Find your program among the 36,000 programs in France

Country

Level

Keyword

**Search**

Search this site  **OK**

**Fill Out Your CampusFrance Form via PASTEL System**

Step 1: Review the instructions.  
Step 2: Click below to log into or register for your PASTEL Account.

**PASTEL Login** →

**Register for PASTEL** →

**Learn more** →

**My CampusFolder**

Your login

Your password  **OK**

Customize the site for your specific needs. Save the info and programs you like and make your journey to studying in France even easier!

**Create new account**

Request new password

*CampusFrance USA is your gateway to French higher education. Learn more about CampusFrance, scholarships and financial aid, and how to apply.*

**Announcements** All news →

**Learning French, Teaching French: French Education Forum at the Maison Française (Nov. 16) On...**

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**"Studying in France will help me tremendously in reaching my career goals."**

Ana, Florida

**"I would recommend going outside of Paris."**

Lola, Georgia

**"Being in Paris has been an experience unto itself..."**

Andrew, Colorado

Student voices

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**CAMPUS FRANCE**  
campusfrance.org



## CampusFrance website

### Search engines and databases for French Programs

The **comprehensive catalog** of French postsecondary programs, regularly updated, provides details about 36,000 programs in **3 languages** : French, English and Spanish. It gathers information about nearly **600 programs** taught in English, from the Licence to the Doctorate level.

### Grants and scholarships

CampusBourses offers a **directory of 600 grants programs**. Published in French and English, this search engine allows users to find information for **study, research, internship or travel**.

They can be awarded by **several entities** : French governmental and international institutions, the European Union, local government organizations, corporations, foundations and higher education institutions.

## CampusFrance website

### The Benjamin Franklin Travel Grant (1)

- designed for **sophomore, junior and senior** students who are enrolled in a **double major including one major in French** and one major in another discipline
- consideration will also be given to students enrolled in a **minor/certificate in French** and a major in another discipline
- disciplines covered : **pre-med, law, engineering, mathematics, business & management, computer science** and **sciences**
- mobility period : **90 days maximum**

Applications have officially opened on Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 and **will close on Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013**. Selected candidates will be contacted from Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

### General information & paperwork to fill in

<http://highereducation.frenchculture.org/grants-and-fellowships/ben-franklin-grant>

## CampusFrance website

### The Benjamin Franklin Travel Grant (2)

- provides successful candidates with a **stipend of up to \$1,500** per selected applicant
- gives them the opportunity to **travel to France** according to their academic and professional projects (studies, internship, specific visits...)
- offers the grantees the access to the Benjamin Franklin Travel Grant **alumni network**

### Application material

- **application form** detailing the objectives of the trip, the academic project and professional objectives of the candidate, his/her program and budget estimation
- **approval form** signed by both academic referees and by the Study Abroad Advisor
- recommendation letter from **the French language academic referee**
- recommendation letter from **the academic referee for the other discipline**

*Applicants are not allowed to send their own application : only academic referees from the Department of French language can do it.*

**Contact : Prudence Barbera (Higher Education Officer, Embassy of France in Washington)**

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## CampusFrance website

### The LabCitoyen contest (1)

This program is devoted to enriching the debate on death penalty in 2013 as we are celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its abolition in Europe. It is particularly tailored for college students majoring in fields such as **international relations, political science, law, sociology and criminal justice.**

**Application deadline** : Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### General information

<http://www.institutfrancais.com/fr/labcitoyen-2013>

### Requirements

- **upper intermediate level in French**
- **be able to debate** on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, especially on the death penalty
- be between 18 and 25 at the time of entry in France
- be an **American citizen** or **a permanent resident in the USA**
- **valid passport until January 2014**

*Citizens from a French speaking country or with dual citizenship (France or another French speaking country) are not eligible.*



## CampusFrance website

### The LabCitoyen contest (2)

#### Selection process

- students will have to write **an essay in French** (600 to 800 words) to express their motivation and ability to debate on the program's matters
- candidates will have to provide **a letter of reference** from one of their professors (from the French department **or** from their major's department)
- **interview** at the Cultural Services of the Consulate General of France in Miami (**only for preselected candidates**)

#### Cost

The French Embassy in the USA and the Institut Français in Paris **cover airfare to and from France**. The program's expenses include **housing, meals, transportation, activities and insurance while in France**.

#### Travel dates

From Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> 2013

**Contact : Alice Boulhol-Lezcano (Cultural Services Assistant, Consulate General of France in Miami)**  
[education.cgfmiami@gmail.com](mailto:education.cgfmiami@gmail.com)

## Tests of and Degrees in French as a foreign language

The **TCF (Test of knowledge of French)** is a standardized test of general French designed by the CIEP (International center for pedagogical studies), a certifying organization that is a member of ALTE (Association of Language Testers in Europe). Test results are valid for 2 years. There are 626 exam centers located in 141 countries.

[www.ciep.fr/tcf/](http://www.ciep.fr/tcf/)

The **TEF (French test assessment)** consists of a series of modules in multiple-choice format (written & oral comprehension, vocabulary, structure) and two open-ended modules (written & oral expression). Candidates may take the TEF as often as they wish. The results' validity is open-ended : institutions and organizations make their own decisions about how recent a candidate's results must be.

[www.fda.ccip.fr/tef/epreuves](http://www.fda.ccip.fr/tef/epreuves)

The **DELFL (Diploma of French-language studies)** and the **DALFL (Advanced diploma in French language)** attest to the holder's level of proficiency in French. There are 6 levels : A1, A2, B1 and B2 (for the DELFL) & C1 and C2 (for the DALFL). Candidates must pass tests in 4 competency areas : written & oral comprehension and written & oral expression.

[www.ciep.fr/delfdalf/presentation-epreuves-delf.php](http://www.ciep.fr/delfdalf/presentation-epreuves-delf.php)

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## CampusFrance – CampusFrance procedure

### You must do this before you apply for a visa !

If you are going to study in a higher education institution in France via a **study abroad** or **exchange program**, and/or you are planning to **transfer credits** for your coursework in France back to your U.S. institution, please complete the CampusFrance online process.

1/ Create your **PASTEL account** on the CampusFrance USA website.

Go to [www.usa.campusfrance.org](http://www.usa.campusfrance.org)

Make sure you check the video guide or Study Abroad User Guide PDF to help you fill out this section

2/ Use **your email address and password** to log in to your CampusFrance account and complete the CampusFrance form using the PASTEL system.

Your form has to be **officially submitted online** through PASTEL in order for your file to be processed.

Don't forget to validate it!

3 / Send via postal mail a copy of your **acceptance letter** from your American university's program or the French university that you will be attending, along with your CampusFrance **processing fee** (money order).

4/ Regularly check your CampusFrance inbox through PASTEL for **your confirmation email and proof of payment**. Print copies for submission to the French consulate.

5/ Request a **student visa** at the at the Consulate General of France in Miami.



## CampusFrance – Visa procedure

### How to apply for a long stay student visa ?

All applicants for a student visa must first register with CampusFrance!

1/ Register and obtain a **certificate from CampusFrance**, prior to applying for a visa at the Consulate General of France in Miami.

2/ Once you complied with CampusFrance requirements, please make an **appointment**. For security reasons, all applicants have to **appear personally** at the Consulate General of France in Miami.

To schedule an appointment, you must go on [www.consulfrance-miami.org](http://www.consulfrance-miami.org)

No appointment can be made by phone or by e-mailing us

3 / Processing time may take **about 21 days for US Citizens**.

4/ Requirements : Please provide **the original + copies of each document**. The visa section does not make any copy, you must bring your documents and the required number of copies.

**Original passport, processing fee, one application form, one ID picture, proof of residence...**

5/ Important information : The consular administration has full authority to evaluate and request more documents than those submitted by the applicant. **Please be aware that submitting all these documents does not guarantee the approval of the visa and that the visa application process (between CampusFrance and the Consulate) can take up to 4 weeks.**

## Find information about CampusFrance

### Useful links

#### CampusFrance application procedure

<http://www.usa.campusfrance.org/en/page/study-abroad-or-exchange-students-0>

#### Long stay visa for studies

<http://www.consulfrance-miami.org/spip.php?article1676>

#### Long stay visa for an internship

<http://www.consulfrance-miami.org/spip.php?article1778>

#### Information about visa appointments

<http://www.consulfrance-miami.org/spip.php?article1677>

#### Student social services (CNOUS – CROUS) : healthcare information, housing assistance...

[http://www.cnous.fr/cnous\\_2.htm?lg=en&refresh=1](http://www.cnous.fr/cnous_2.htm?lg=en&refresh=1)

### Contact



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**France to the United States**

Consulate general of France in Miami



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**Thank you for your  
attention !**



**Any question?**