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# FACT SHEET

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# Information and key contacts

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICES OF THE UGA FACULTIES	<a href="#">IRO - UGA Faculties</a>

# Information courses

COURSES	
COURSES OPEN TO EXCHANGE STUDENTS	<a href="#">Course catalogue</a>
PROGRAMS IN ENGLISH	<a href="#">Programs in English</a>
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS	Refer to the table: <a href="#">Level of studies and language required.</a>
FRENCH GRADING SYSTEM	French Universities use the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). One academic year corresponds to 60 ECTS, one semester to 30 ECTS. <b>Exchange students are required to take a maximum of 30 ECTS per semester or 60 ECTS per year.</b>

## THE FRENCH HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM (until Mastel level)

Level of study	Bachelor						Master				1st semester Fall semester Sept. to Dec./January
	1		2		3		4		5		
Years	Licence 1 L1		Licence 2 L2		Licence 3 L3		Master 1 M1		Master 2 M2		2nd semester Spring semester January to May/June
Semesters	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The [academic calendar](#) differs depending on the host faculty.

	Semester 1	Semester 2
Classes begin	September	January or early February
Classes end	January	May or June
Exam periods	December or January	May or June
Orientation	Orientation and integration events are organized at the beginning of each semester. Students will receive more information from their host faculty.	
Registration	The host faculty will inform students of the administrative and academic registration dates.	

## CALENDAR OF INCOMING MOBILITY



# Nominations and applications

Some of you may have an agreement with several faculties: procedure and deadlines may differ slightly.

## 1. IDENTIFY THE HOST FACULTY

For mobility under the framework of the ERASMUS+ program or a bilateral agreement with one specific faculty: choose the faculty with which the agreement has been signed.



Mobility under the framework of the UGA bilateral agreement or an exchange programme such as [TASSEP](#), [ORA](#) and [PEE/BCI](#): Identify the host faculty using the following tools: (Students will take the majority of their courses in this faculty).

- ✓ [List of faculties: disciplines, level of study and language required, administrative and Academic Contacts](#)
- ✓ [Course Catalogue](#)

## 2. STUDENT'S NOMINATIONS BY THE SENDING UNIVERSITY

Students cannot nominate themselves. Only nominated students through the portal will be accepted. If you have already informed us about your nominations by email, we kindly ask you to renew your request on the online form.



<https://international-nominations.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr>

If there is any change, please inform the [host faculty](#).

DEADLINES OF THE ONLINE NOMINATIONS PORTAL		
Semester	Open from	Until
1st semester and full year	March 15th	April 30th
2nd semester	August 30th	September 30th

*Warning: We do not accept nominations sent after the deadlines.*

## 3. APPLICATION PROCESS

The host faculty will send the online application form directly to the nominated student. There is no need to send documents by email or mail.



The required documents are:

- ✓ All academic transcript of records
- ✓ Curriculum vitae
- ✓ Any language test or a [certificate of student's ability to follow courses in the language of instruction](#)
- ✓ [Student's motivations](#)
- ✓ [Learning Agreement](#) (signed by the student and the sending university). Consult [the guidelines](#) for its elaboration.

## 4. NOTIFICATION OF DECISION



The host faculty will send the notification of the decision until the following dates:

1st semester and full year	2nd semester
Until June 14	Until November 12

## 5. APPLICATION FOR HOUSING

The host faculty will send a decision notification or an admission letter to the students.



1st semester and full year	2nd semester
From May 15 to June 20	From October to Nov. 15

## 6. REGISTRATION TO FRENCH COURSES

We offer French as a Foreign Language (FLE) courses that earn credits. The international relations referent of the host faculty will send the necessary information to register.



1st semester and full year	2nd semester
July 18	January 5

# Practical information

[The International Students & Scholars Office](#) (ISSO) helps students prepare for their stay, assists them upon arrival and throughout their mobility, in Grenoble and Valence: accommodation, immigration policies, practical matters, insurances, etc. On the website, you can download Welcome guides and information sheets. You will find here the main steps to take to settle: [+ information](#).

## HOUSING

*This process does not concern Valence: your host faculty will contact you directly to inform you how to find an accommodation.* Students can choose between two main kinds of accommodation: university residences (public or private) and the private rental sector. Each student coming in the context of an exchange program automatically receives credentials by email (check the SPAM folders), allowing them to access to the online housing application platform. Students who meet the deadlines will receive an offer of accommodation from the International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO).

### ACCOMMODATION APPLICATION PROCESS

	1 <sup>st</sup> semester and full year	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester
Opening of access to the platform	From May 15 <sup>th</sup> .	October 15 <sup>th</sup>
Deadlines of accommodation application process	June 20 <sup>th</sup> .	November 15
Housing assignments	Mid July	A month before arrival

Requests for accommodation made after the deadlines have no priority and will be subject to availability of the remaining accommodation. The type of accommodation and the residence allocated will generally be notified one month in advance. A residence will be allocated a month before arrival. In France, most payments are made by credit card (rent, current expenses, health expenses, etc.). Some of them may be necessary even before your arrival (security deposit, first rent). If you do not have one, we advise that you order one from your bank, to pay in the euro zone and online payments at reduced fees.

Accommodation options	Price range	Conditions negotiated by ISSO
Public halls of residence (CROUS)	Between 172 € for a 9m <sup>2</sup> room with shared bathroom and kitchen and 432 € for a studio including kitchen and bathroom.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Quota of rooms reserved for exchange students</li> <li>▪ No guarantor asked</li> <li>▪ Application outside the CROUS procedure</li> </ul>
Private halls of residence	Studios between 400 to 850 € / month depending on size and location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No guarantor asked</li> <li>▪ No administrative fees</li> </ul>
Private sector	From 400€ to 550 € / month, for a 20m <sup>2</sup> apartment in Grenoble	Through ISSO : no guarantor requested

You also have the possibility of finding accommodation on your own, but you should be aware that you will have to provide a guarantee in France (accessible guarantee systems exist, such as the ["Visale" guarantee](#)), [+ information of accommodation](#)

## IMMIGRATION REQUIREMENTS

### [VISAS AND RESIDENCE PERMITS](#)

Except nationals of a European Economic Area country (European Union country (EU), Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein) or Switzerland, students coming to study for more than 3 months must apply for a visa. The application process and the list of documents requested are detailed on the official website for visa applications to France: <https://france-visas.gouv.fr/>  
**To apply for a visa, consult the list of countries concerned by the [procedure "Etudes en France"](#).**

## HEALTH INSURANCE

### [HEALTH INSURANCE](#)

Subscription to health insurance is mandatory for stays of more than 3 months, unless there is a bilateral agreement between France and the student country of origin. Registration is free, but is no longer part of the university registration process. It is up to the students to follow the registration procedure upon arrival.  
[The UGA's Health Center](#) can respond to most student health care needs on campus. For more information [watch this video](#)

## PRACTICAL ADVICE

ORIENTATION EVENT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">Grenoble</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Valence</a></li> </ul>
FRENCH COURSES	<a href="#">Learning French</a>
<a href="#">ESTIMATED COST OF LIVING</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Food 200€-300€/month: 3,25€-4,75€ /meal at University restaurant <a href="#">CROUS</a></li> <li>▪ Phone / Internet : from 2€ to 30€/month</li> <li>▪ Transportation:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Grenoble</a>: &lt;25 years old: Tramway 15€/month (Grenoble metropolitan area); Bike rental: 15€-25€/month (+ deposit) + <a href="#">information video</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Valence</a>: from €10 to €20/month for a Citéa pass and from €10 to €15 a month for the Libélo bike subscription service</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Housing: Student residence (CROUS): 200 to 500 €/month</li> <li>▪ In a private residence: 250 to 800 €/month</li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Health insurance and complementary health insurance</a>: around 6 to 40€/month:</li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Civil liability Insurance</a> : about 16-35€ per year</li> </ul>
<a href="#">STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Grenoble: <a href="#">IntEGre</a></li> <li>▪ Valence: <a href="#">Valence associations</a></li> </ul>
BUDDY PROGRAM FOR INCOMING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	<a href="#">Sign up for the buddy program</a>
CAMPUS SERVICES AND PRACTICAL INFORMATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">Checklist of the steps to be taken upon arrival -ANG</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Libraries</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Sports</a>: 35 different sports are available on-campus. Check <a href="#">the SUAPS website</a>.</li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Community life</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">Help and support</a></li> </ul> <p>Students with special needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">Disability reception service</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">High-level athletes</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">High-level artists</a></li> </ul>
DOWNLOAD APPLICATION CAMPUS UGA	<a href="#">Campus Univ. Grenoble Alpes</a>
<a href="#">COMING TO GRENOBLE OR VALENCE</a>	<p>Students may use public transit network, buy or rent a bike etc... In some cases, the train may be the quickest way around.</p> <p>+ Information <a href="#">Transport</a></p>
COVID19	Consult all the <a href="#">news related to COVID19</a>
PRACTICAL GUIDE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">English version</a></li> <li>▪ <a href="#">French version</a></li> </ul>
MAPS OF CAMPUSES	<a href="#">Consult maps</a>