

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE



 **Université
Paris Nanterre**



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***University
Paris Nanterre***



University Paris Nanterre, the scene of historically important events that marked the university world at the end of the 1960s, is a multidisciplinary university that welcomes more than **34,000 students** each year and offers a wide range of courses in the social sciences, humanities, law, economics, technology and sports, as well as in literature, languages, management, arts, information and communication.

A place of life and culture with its swimming pool, its green spaces and its theatre, the university is also a place where outstanding educational programmes compete on the international scene, all backed by world-renowned and award-winning research in a wide range of diverse fields.

The university is also proud of its many partnerships, both with foreign higher education institutions and with French and foreign companies, attracted by the thousands of graduates from its innovative and demanding programmes.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES DEDICATED TO UNIVERSITY SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (RSU)

- 1 UNIVERSITY OF LIFELONG LEARNING UCP** 36 activities
- 2 TYPES OF TRAINING per year (levels B1 and B2) for REFUGEE STUDENTS**

TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME TO MEET DIFFERENT STUDENT NEEDS

ALL PROGRAMS ARE OPEN TO CONTINUING VOCATIONAL TRAINING

- 37 DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES** 7 Bachelor's degrees with 12 specialisations, 8 Master's degrees with 10 specialisations, 15 DU programmes
- 14 BACHELOR'S DEGREES for CPGE agreements with 25 specialisations**
- 49 SANDWICH COURSES** including 40 apprenticeship programmes
- MORE THAN 100 SHORT AND/OR CUSTOMIZED TRAINING COURSES**

HUNDREDS OF POSSIBILITIES TO ENHANCE YOUR TRAINING !

- MOBILITY AND INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES (EDUC alliance, Erasmus +, UFA, BCI, MICEFA, ...)**
- 27 BONUS for degrees in all fields**
- 3 MOOCs (Massive Online Open Courses) Nanterre or outside programmes**
- CERTIFICATIONS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES (CLES, TOEIC, TOEFL) AND IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (PIX)**

- 19** INTERNATIONAL DOUBLE DEGREES (bachelor, master)
- 26** PREPARATION COURSES (For public sector: Teaching, Civil Service, Justice, ...)
- 1** LAW INITIATION COURSE
- 1** DAEU (Second Chance Degree) Option A
- 2** ENGINEERING COURSES
- 55** UNIVERSITY DEGREES



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ONE UNIVERSITY, 4 CAMPUS

► NANTERRE CAMPUS

200, avenue de la République | 92 000 Nanterre | France
parisnanterre.fr

► PUBLISHING PROFESSIONS (IUT, MÉDIADIX AND SITEC)

11, avenue Pozzo di Borgo | 92 210 Saint-Cloud | France
polemliivre.parisnanterre.fr
mediadix.parisnanterre.fr
ufr-sitec.parisnanterre.fr

► UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (IUT)

50, rue de Sèvres | 92 410 Ville-d'Avray | France
cva.parisnanterre.fr

► LEONARDO DE VINCI UNIVERSITY CENTRE (PULV)

12, avenue Léonard de Vinci | 92 400 Courbevoie | France
pulu.parisnanterre.fr



Welcome to Paris Nanterre

As soon as you arrive, the International Relations team and our Welcome Desk will provide you with orientation support for your new university: registration, assistance with administrative formalities, advice on daily life matters.

Feel free to contact them!

[See page 36 for more information](#)

Do you have a disability?

Our university welcomes around 700 students with disabilities every year. The Disability Department is available on a daily basis and can provide you with support for your studies and exams. Please remember to request this assistance when you register at the university.

 [Incoming International Students with disabilities](#)

Your health

A multidisciplinary team of doctors, nurses, psychologists and secretaries will support you for your healthcare needs (i.e. professional secrecy, advice, prevention).

- General medicine (free consultations by appointment)
- Contraception, emotional concerns and sexual life (advice, pregnancy test, abortion referral, screening, gynaecological consultation by appointment)
- Psychological or psychiatric support
- Medical visits and nursing care
- Tobacco treatment

 university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk/healthcare

Getting involved in a student association

Would you like to join a student association at your new university?

University Paris Nanterre has more than 80 clubs in various areas such as arts and science, leisure, sports, humanitarian actions, environment, sustainable development and being a responsible citizen.

Contact the **ACA²** (Cultural and Artistic Activities / Campus Activities and Associations)!

USEFUL INFORMATION \\\\\\\ CONTACTS

ACA² - Ricœur Building - ground floor

 culture.parisnanterre.fr

 [ACA2Nanterre](#)

 [@ACA2Nanterre](#)

 [@aca2nanterre](#)

FOCUS on... NANTERASMUS

Do you want to meet French and International Students? The student association 'Nanterasmus' organises many cultural and festive events throughout the year.

 <https://linktr.ee/nanterasmus>



A CAN'T MISS EVENT FOR THE START OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR!

Meet the university's student associations on this special day.

 <https://bit.ly/3eWjDW7>

CréMAillèRE
de La MAiSon
de l'ÉtudiANT·e

Cultural activities

Are you interested in taking part in cultural or artistic activities?
Or attending a wide range of shows throughout the year?

Check out the many cultural events offered by the ACA².
Contact the ACA² for more information (see page 11)

- Activities: music, cinema, photography, theatre, street art...
- Events: festivals, concerts, projections, exhibitions...

 culture.parisnanterre.fr

Sports activities

Do you want to play a sport? The **SUAPS Sports Association** offers you a wide range of physical and sports activities, both for teams and individuals:

- Swimming, diving, aqua-bike, water aerobics ...
- Football, rugby, volleyball, basketball, handball, futsal ...
- African dance, salsa, west coast swing, tango, hip-hop ...
- Judo, jiu-jitsu, boxing, self-defence ...
- Zumba, abs, step, cardio hit ...
- Cross-fit, weightlifting, athletics ...
- Tennis, table tennis, badminton ...
- Climbing, archery, acrobatics, circus arts ...

The SUAPS also has a health and wellness centre for nutrition and sleep coaching, reflexology, meditation workshops, relaxation, social skills, tai chi, yoga, shiatsu, and osteopathy.

 suaps.parisnanterre.fr



Learning French

Do you want to learn French or improve your language skills?

FETE (French for foreign students) offers quality French language training, enabling you to learn French in a rigorous manner based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. FETE also offers:



- intensive pre-entry courses
- diplomas to prepare for further studies in France
- official French language tests, e.g. TCF

 francais-langue-etrangere.parisnanterre.fr

University libraries

The **SCD** (Documentation Department) includes a large university library (BU) and 14 Faculties libraries composée d'une grande bibliothèque universitaire (BU) et de 14 bibliothèques d'UFR (Law, Performing Arts, Geography, History, etc.). With your Paris Nanterre student card, you can:

- access resources and borrow books
- receive support for your documentary research
- use individual and group work spaces
- receive free training in computer tools and academic writing

USEFUL INFORMATION \\\\\\ CONTACTS

-  bu.parisnanterre.fr
-  [Bibliothèque universitaire Paris Nanterre](https://www.facebook.com/Bibliothèque universitaire Paris Nanterre)
-  [@BUNanterre](https://twitter.com/BUNanterre)
-  [@bunanterre](https://www.instagram.com/bunanterre)
-  [Bibliothèque universitaire Paris Nanterre](https://www.youtube.com/Bibliothèque universitaire Paris Nanterre)



Where to eat?

Enjoy the CROUS catering outlets on the Nanterre campus. These locations offer you meals at student-friendly prices!

- **University Canteen (RU)**
- **«Tex-Mex» brasserie - 1st floor of the RU**
- **«La Terrasse» brasserie - located opposite the University Sports Centre (CSU)**
- **«La Sandwicherie» - located in the Veil building**
- **«L'Asiatique» snack bar - located in the Veil building**
- **Snack bar in the University Library**
- **«L'An'K» snack bar - located in the Rouch building**
- **Snack bar in the Allais building**
- **«Le Millénium» snack bar - located on the ground floor of the RU**
- **Burger foodtruck - in front of the Lefebure building**

 bit.ly/UPN-restauration-CROUS-2020

You can pay your lunch or snack at the University Canteen (RU) with your [IZLY card](#).

This is a European multi-services card, which is included in your student card. It can be reloaded by (i) using your credit card on the Internet, (ii) in the IZLY application or (iii) at the central cash desk. In the cafeteria, you can also pay for your meals in cash.

Find out how to activate and use your multi-services European student card:

 izly.fr/#howitworks





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***Studying at
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THE 8 FACULTIES (UFR IN FRENCH) AND THE 2 INSTITUTES OF UNIVERSITY PARIS NANTERRE

The term UFR in French higher education refers to a School or Faculty. For example, the Faculty (or School) of Law. University Paris Nanterre is made up of 8 faculties, each one of which is divided into departments.

Modern Languages and Cultural Studies (LCE)
Nanterre campus - Maier Building
ufr-lce.parisnanterre.fr

- German
- Spanish
- English and American studies
- Italian
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Applied Modern Languages (LEA)
- Language Resource Centre for Specialists in Other Disciplines (LRC LANSAD)

- Art History and Archaeology
- Géography and planning
- Sociology
- Social Sciences

Psychology, Education Studies (SPSE)
Nanterre campus - Zazzo Building
ufr-spse.parisnanterre.fr

- Psychology
- Education Sciences

Economics, Business and Management, Mathematics, Computer Science (SEGMI)
Nanterre campus - Allais Building
ufr-segmi.parisnanterre.fr

- Economics, and Economics with a specialisation in a foreign language
- Business and Management
- Mathematics and Computer Science

Law and Political Science (DSP)
Nanterre campus - Veil Building
ufr-dsp.parisnanterre.fr

- French Law - Foreign Law
- Institute of Legal Studies
- Political Science

Philosophy, Communication and Information studies, Language, Literature, Performing Arts (PHILLIA)
Nanterre campus - Ricœur Building
ufr-phillia.parisnanterre.fr

- Performing Arts
- Communication and Information Studies
- Modern Literature
- Greek and Latin languages and literature grecques et latines
- Philosophy
- Language Sciences
- Humanities

Industrial Systems and Communication Technology (SITEC)
Ville-d'Auray and Saint-Cloud campuses
ufr-sitec.parisnanterre.fr

- Publishing professions
- Engineering Sciences
- Audio-visual communication

Sports Sciences and Physical Education (STAPS)
Nanterre campus - Milliat Building
ufr-staps.parisnanterre.fr

- Adapted Physical Activity and Health
- Education and Motor Skills
- Sports training
- Sports management
- Sciences and Techniques of Physical and Sports Activities

Social Sciences and Administration (SSA)
Nanterre campus - Lefebvre Building
ufr-ssa.parisnanterre.fr

- Economic and Social Administration (AES)
- Anthropology
- History

University Institute of Technology (IUT)
Ville-d'Auray campus

- Electrical engineering and industrial computing (GEII)
- Mechanical and Production Engineering (GMP)
- Thermal Engineering and Energy (GTE)

Saint-Cloud campus
• Information and Communication - specialisation in publishing professions (INFOCOM)

- Nanterre campus*
- Business and Public Administration Management (GEA)
 - Social Work careers (CS)
 - Marketing Techniques (TC)

cva.parisnanterre.fr

Institute for Public Administration (IPAG)
Leonard de Vinci University Centre - Courbevoie (La Défense)

The main mission of the Institute for Public Administration (IPAG) is to prepare students for the different competitive examinations for state, territorial and hospital public services. IPAG also awards degrees such as the Bachelor of Public Administration (LAP), the Master of Public Administration (MAP 1/2) as well as a Professional University Degree (DU), which is reserved for continuing education.

ipag.parisnanterre.fr

HOW UNIVERSITY PARIS NANTERRE WORKS

Diplomas

University Paris Nanterre awards national Bachelor's, Master's and Doctorate degrees (LMD). These degrees are based on fields of study, specialisations and courses (e.g. Law, Economics, Management, with a specialisation in Private Law and a Fundamental Private Law course). This approach enables universities to diversify their range of educational programmes.

A Bachelor's degree (licence) includes core curriculum courses, elective courses (initiation or in-depth courses), modern languages and skills modules.

A Master's degree is a specialisation based on a profession or on research.

The university also awards university degrees for programmes which generally last one year and which provide very specific skills (e.g. «Teaching French as a foreign language»).

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Organisation of the academic year

An academic year is organised in **two semesters** (from September to December, then from January to May).

Each semester is divided into Teaching Units (UE), which are made up of Courses (EC).

Classes are given in the form of lectures (CM) or tutorials (TD).

A lecture is generally a class which takes place in a lecture hall, and tutorials are small groups based on the active involvement of students. When a Course (EC) includes a lecture and a tutorial, the tutorial provides the link between theory and application.

Tutorial (TD) attendance is mandatory. If a student's rate of absence is over 25% (i.e. generally 3 absences), the student will fail the course and will have to sit the second session exam. In certain cases, attendance waivers may be granted.

French grading system

Grades in France are awarded on a scale of 1-20. **A mark of 10/20 denotes a pass grade.** Any grade under 10 means that the student will not pass the class unless compensation is applied. There is a system of compensation with several levels. In addition, in France there are two examination systems - the standard system and the special system.

The standard system is based on attendance and includes two types of evaluation: regular assessment (full or partial) or a final examination (usually a single exam at the end of the semester). Assessment can be made in the form of examinations (written or oral) or assignments. **In the special system**, which is granted under certain conditions, the evaluation takes place only during the examination session organised at the end of each semester.

In all cases, there is a second exam session, known as a catch-up or second chance exam.

The other main principles of the French grading system are «capitalization» (i.e. all passing grades for an EC or UE are permanent and can potentially be transferred) and «repeating a year» (obtaining a national diploma is not subject to a defined number of years of study).

For more information, please consult the following document: [Modalités de Contrôle des Connaissances générales de l'université.](#)



Studying as an exchange student: useful information

University Paris Nanterre has more than 400 partnerships in over 70 countries. It is involved in the Erasmus+ (Europe and International Credit Mobility), BCI, APA, CUPA and MICEFA programmes.

If your university is a partner of our university, you can come and study for 1 semester or 1 year. The credits (ECTS) you obtain will be recognized for the purposes your home university degree. You will not obtain a degree from our university except in specific cases (double degree programme).

Important

- A minimum level of B1 (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) is required for the language of instruction (French or English). You must provide proof of this level when you apply online to our university.
- Before applying for an exchange, it is essential to check that our course offer corresponds to your needs and the academic requirements of your home university degree programme. Please consult the course offer for exchange students.
- You are not required to only take courses in your discipline or in the discipline of the agreement. You may also choose up to three courses (9 ECTS) from the French Centre for Foreign Students.

 formations.parisnanterre.fr
> courses open to exchange students

USEFUL INFORMATION \\\\\\ CONTACTS

APPLICATION

International relations office | Exchange Mobility

 [Incoming Exchange Students](#)

PREPARE YOUR STAY (more information on page 36)

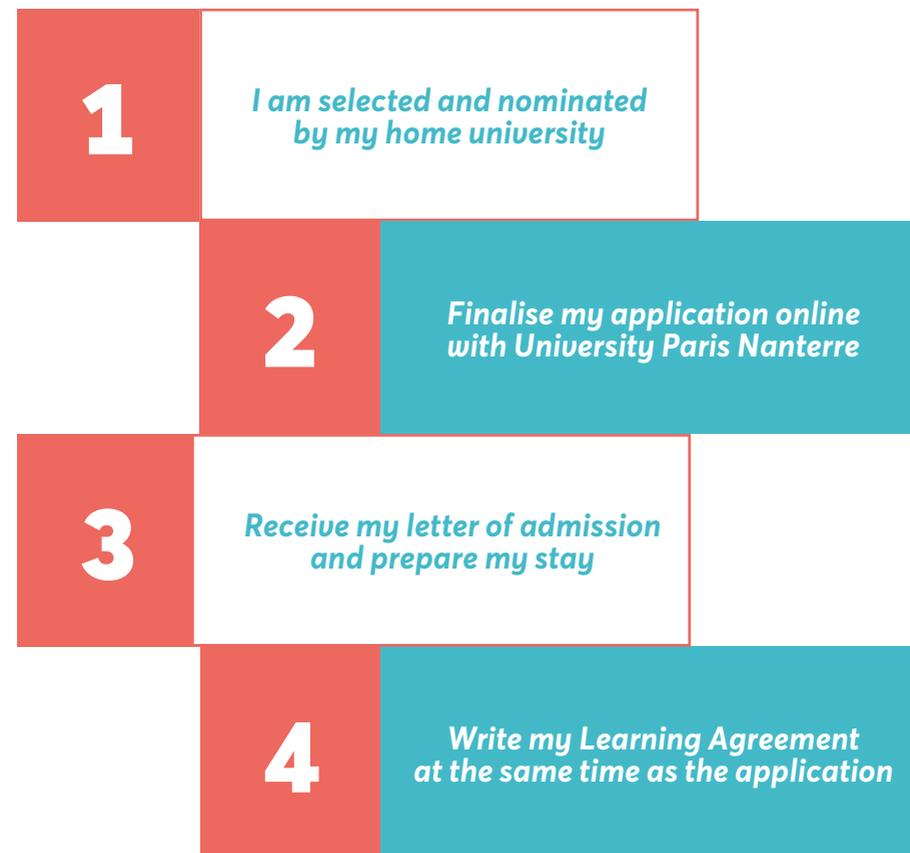
International relations office | Welcome Desk

 Building Rémond (A) - 2nd floor

 welcomedesk@liste.parisnanterre.fr

 university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk

Studying as an exchange student: application process



Detailed information is available at:

international.parisnanterre.fr

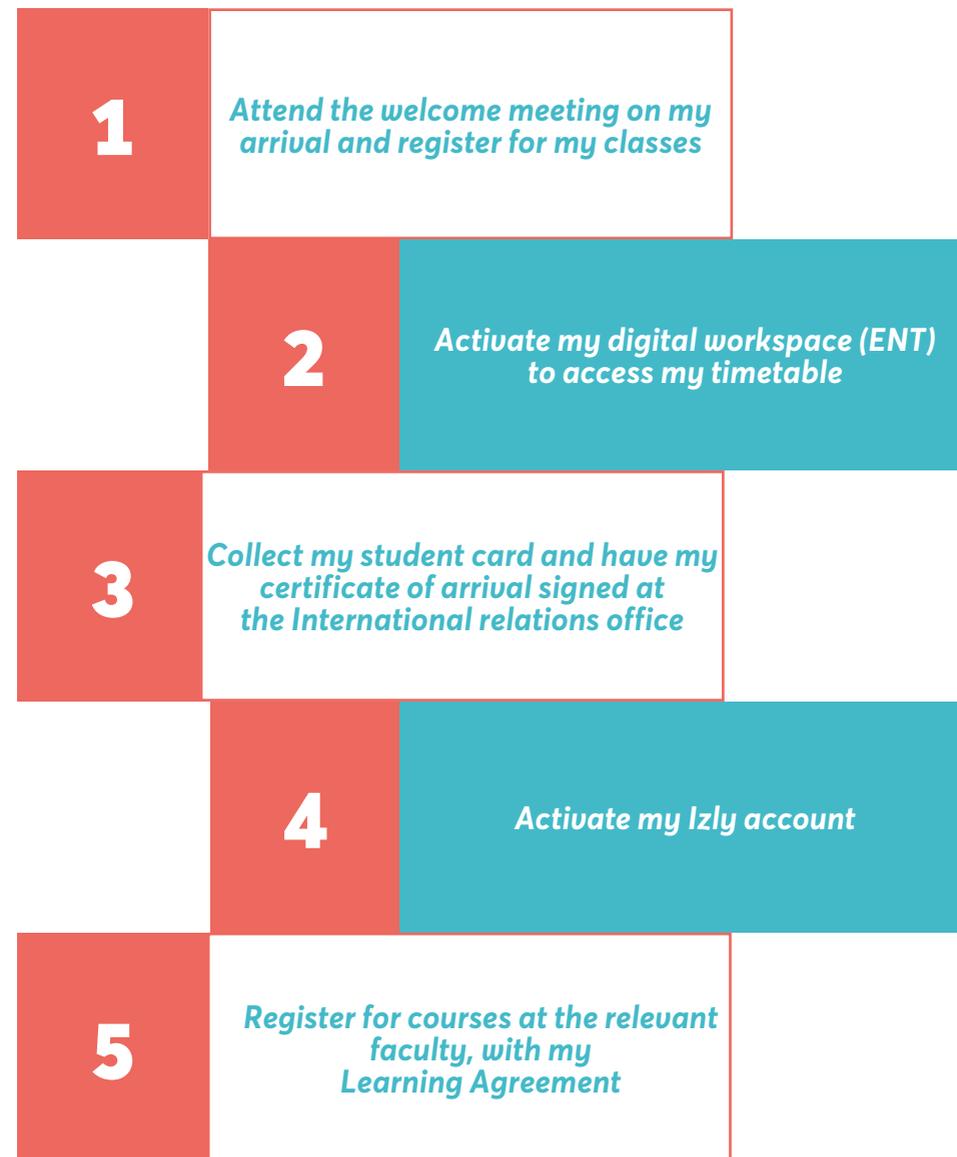
> International student: studying at Paris Nanterre
>> [Incoming exchange students](#)

Studying as an exchange student: my arrival

The International relations office (SRI) organises a welcome session for exchange students in September and January of each academic year.

During this session, students are able to meet SRI staff. This will help you to better understand how the university works and the organisation of your exchange. During your stay, you will have 3 main contacts at the university:

- the **mobility manager at the International relations office** will be your main contact throughout your stay, especially for the following procedures: your attestations, certificates to be signed, dates of stay and transcripts.
- your **coordinator teacher in your Faculty (UFR)** will be your contact for all questions related to your learning agreement and the choice of your courses.
- your **administrative liaison in your Faculty (UFR)** will be your contact for all questions related to your timetable, exams, etc.



Registration for and educational programme (not an exchange)

Are you an international student and do you want to come and study at the University Paris Nanterre (not as an exchange student)? You must follow a **specific procedure** depending on your nationality, country of residence and the place where you obtained your degree. Find out about the important steps to prepare your registration and your stay.

Useful information

- **Required French language level** at the time of application:
 - Some countries are exempted from the language level test.
 - For the other countries the required level is B2 for the Licence and C1 for the Master.
- You may apply with the TCF, DALF or DELF
- If you are a refugee student or the child of a diplomat, you must write to the International Relations Office (SRI) between January and May of each year to request an application file:
 - ✉ etudiant.etranger@liste.parisnanterre.fr

USEFUL INFORMATION \\\\\\ CONTACTS

APPLICATION

International relations office | Free mover Mobility

✉ university.parisnanterre.fr/international-student-studying-at-paris-nanterre/incoming-free-movers-students

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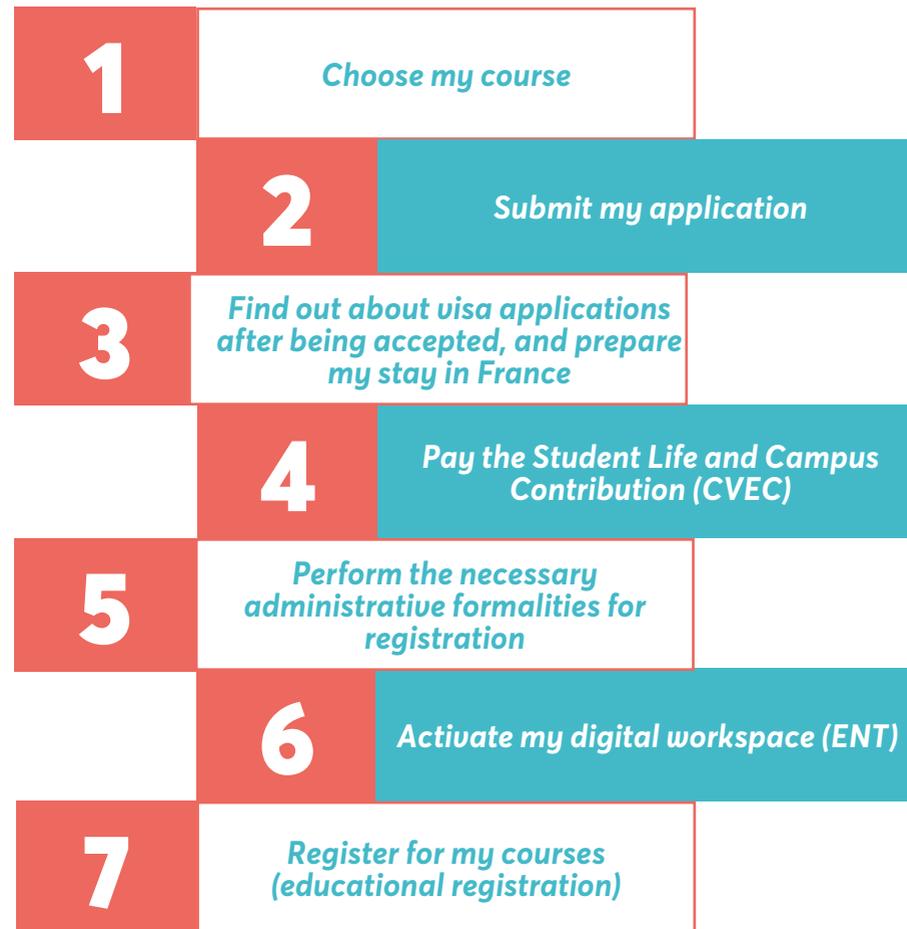
International relations office | Welcome Desk

✉ welcomedesk@liste.parisnanterre.fr

✉ university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk

Registration

Whichever application procedure you follow, you will receive an authorisation after your admission. This will allow you to register for your course.



Detailed information is available at:

international.parisnanterre.fr

> International student: studying at Paris Nanterre
>> [Incoming free-movers students](#)

Registration for a course (not exchange programme)

Register for a Licence 1

Register for a Licence 2, Licence 3, Master 1 or Master 2

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- You have French or European nationality
- You are a non-EU citizen, but hold a French baccalaureate

OR

Preliminary Admission Request (green DAP)

- You reside in France, but hold a baccalaureate from abroad

OR

Preliminary Admission Request (white DAP)

- If you live abroad in a country that is not subject to the Études en France procedure:
you must download the 'DAP Blanc' file and send it to the 'Service de Coopération et d'Action Culturelle' of the French embassy of your country
- You live abroad in one of the [46 countries](#) that is eligible for the Études en France procedure, you must submit a 'DAP Blanc' application via the [Études en France platform](#)

E-candidate Paris Nanterre

- You have French or European nationality
- You have a non-EU nationality but you reside in France
- Your country is not eligible for the Études en France procedure

OR

Études en France

- You live abroad in one of the [46 countries](#) that is eligible for the Études en France procédure.

Useful information for all international students

Special case: preparing a PhD at University Paris Nanterre

If you are a doctoral student or future doctoral student, there are different ways to study at University Paris Nanterre (UPN).

- **Register for a doctorate**

You must download the doctoral school application file related to your field of research. There are 6 doctoral schools. Find out more:

recherche.parisnanterre.fr > [Service des études doctorales](#)

- **Prepare a doctoral thesis jointly with University Paris Nanterre**

Find out more:

recherche.parisnanterre.fr > [Service administratif de la recherche](#) >> [Appui aux jeunes chercheurs](#) >>> [Thèse en cotutelle](#)

- **Do a doctoral research stay outside the scope of an exchange agreement**

Find out more:

recherche.parisnanterre.fr > [Service administratif de la recherche](#) >> [Appui aux jeunes chercheurs](#) >>> [Accueil des doctorants étrangers en séjour temporaire](#)

- **Do a doctoral research stay within the scope of an exchange agreement**

If your university is a partner of our university at a PhD level, you can come to UPN to do a research stay for several months, or for 5 to 30 days (Erasmus program only). Find out more:

international.parisnanterre.fr > [Étudiant international : venir étudier à Paris Nanterre](#) >> [Venir en échange universitaire](#)

Note: you will not necessarily be required to take courses as an exchange student at the Bachelor's or Master's level.

ACTIVATE YOUR DIGITAL WORKSPACE (ENT)

- ❗ You can find all of your digital services (and others!) on <https://portail.parisnanterre.fr/>. Enter your login details to access this site and you will be able to:
- read and send email messages
 - consult online documentation
 - access your personal file;
 - access your personal storage space
 - access educational platforms
 - download your invitations to certain examinations
 - consult your grades, results and schedule (depending on the faculty).





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*Prepare
your stay*

Welcome Desk

The Welcome Desk team will help you with all practical questions related to your stay in France (accommodation, health, banking, transport etc.).

USEFUL INFORMATION \\\\\\ CONTACTS

Welcome Desk | International relations office
 Rémond Building (A) - 2nd floor
 General matters: welcomedesk@liste.parisnanterre.fr
 Visa and residence permits: sejour@liste.parisnanterre.fr
 Website: university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk
 Facebook: [UPNwelcomedesk](https://www.facebook.com/UPNwelcomedesk)

Go to our **Online Welcome Desk** to find out about all the steps to prepare your stay: <https://bit.ly/3C1VCGI>



**Online
Welcome Desk**

Plan your stay in France by creating
your personalised roadmap

I GENERATE MY ROADMAP



Online
Welcome Desk

STEPS TO PREPARE YOUR STAY

Before your arrival

1. Apply for a visa or residence permit:

Different rules apply depending on whether or not you are EU national.

 university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk/visas

 university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk/residence-permits

2. Prepare your budget:



Before coming to the Ile-de-France region, it is very important to make sure that you have the necessary resources to finance the entire duration of your stay. **The Paris region is well known for its high prices**, so here is some information to help you calculate your budget:

- The minimum monthly rent is €400 for a student room (prices vary depending on the geographical area and the desired level of comfort) and you are often asked to pay 1 or 2 months' rent in advance to guarantee the reservation of your accommodation.
- A transport pass costs €35 per month for those under 26 years old and €75 for those over 26 years old. If you have this pass, you can use all forms of public transport in the region.

Rent	€400 to €900 (depending on the accommodation)
Meals	€3 to €7 per meal on campus
Transport	€35 to €75 per month (with a monthly pass)
Telephone/Internet	€15 to €30 per month

3. Find out about financial aid:

I am an exchange student

The university does not offer scholarships to exchange students, except for students in the International Credit Mobility programme. **Please check with your home university.**

I am not an exchange student

You must have lived in France for at least 2 years to be eligible for CROUS financial assistance, which is means-tested.

 <https://bit.ly/3tIQCTc>

Other examples of financial aid:

- **Eiffel scholarships** are highly selective scholarships for excellence granted by the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs. They are available to students of foreign nationality (except those with dual nationality) under certain conditions of age, level and field of study. It is the school that accepts and supports your application for the Eiffel scholarship, and then submits your application online on the Campus France website. The application procedures for our institution are published in October. Applications must be submitted between October and December.

 <https://www.campusfrance.org/fr/le-programme-de-bourses-eiffel>

- Consult the scholarship directory on the [Campus France](#) website.



4. Find accommodation:

Finding accommodation in the Paris region is not easy and the cost is often quite high. We recommend that you start your search at least 2 to 3 months before your arrival.

- **Rents:** average rents range from €400 to €900 per month. The price will depend on the area and the comfort you want.
- **Types of accommodation:** you will find student rooms from 9 square metres upwards. For more space you can choose to share a room with another student or to stay with a host family. There are also student residences offering equipped studios of different sizes for different budgets.
- **Guarantor:** in order to obtain accommodation in France, it is generally required to provide a guarantor, in other words a person who will vouch for you, committing to pay the rent for you if you have no more resources. The guarantor must generally reside in France and provide a number of documents, although there are simpler options for international students, such as the free 'Visale' guarantee.
- **Housing assistance:** The CAF (Caisse d'Allocations Familiales) allows people with limited resources to obtain assistance to pay for their housing. To be eligible, you must be staying in subsidised accommodation, with an official rental contract, and request it upon arrival. Please note that the allowance is not automatically granted and that it may take several months to receive the first payment.

Each year, our Welcome Desk establishes partnerships with private student residences to enable you to obtain accommodation at a lower cost. Do not hesitate to contact us a few months before your arrival to reserve accommodation. If we have no more accommodation available, we can still give you advice and help you in your search.

 university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk/accommodation

5. **Find a Buddy:**

In partnership with ESN France and our student association 'Nanterasmus', our Buddy System helps you to find a local student to support you during your stay, to exchange ideas or to show you the region.

What do I need to do?

One month before the start of the academic year, sign up on our [Buddy System](#) platform, enter your profile and we will find you a buddy!

Arrival in France

1. **Validate your visa online**

2. **Open a bank account:**

If you are coming for more than 3 months, one of the first things to do for foreign students in France is to open a bank account. This will be essential for your administrative formalities.

3. **Register for health insurance:**

Anyone living in France has the right to health insurance to cover part of their medical expenses. It is free and available to everyone.

- Are you a resident of a European Union country? Ask for your European Health Insurance Card before you arrive in France and you can use it in France to obtain reimbursement for some of your health expenses.

- You are not a resident of a European Union country? Simply register online when you arrive in France, provide the required documents, and you will receive a French social security number.

 university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk/healthcare

4. **Get a public transport pass:**

To take full advantage of public transport, you can purchase a student pass at €35 (reserved for under-26s) or a Navigo pass at the normal rate (€75). For more information, visit the [RATP website](#).

Prepare your stay: Different Steps



For more information:

university.parisnanterre.fr/welcome-desk

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International relations office (SRI)

international.parisnanterre.fr

Rémond building, 2nd floor, A209
Tel: +33(0)1 40 97 40 98
Email : relations-internationales@liste.parisnanterre.fr

Free movers (not exchanges)

Rémond building, 1st floor
Email : etudiant.etranger@liste.parisnanterre.fr

Welcome Desk

Rémond building, 2nd floor
Email : welcomedesk@liste.parisnanterre.fr

Department of studies and education (DES)

parisnanterre.fr/sinscrire

Registration

Rémond building, offices A02 and A09
monday to friday: 9am-12pm/1pm-4.30pm
tuesday: 9am-1pm

Scholarships

Rémond building, 1st floor offices A102 and A113
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tuesday: 9am-1pm
Tel: +33(0)1 40 97 47 78

Diplomas

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tuesday: 9am-1pm
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French Centre for Foreign Students (FETE)

francais-langue-etrangere.parisnanterre.fr

Ricœur building, ground floor, R12
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University Information, Orientation and Professional Integration (SCUIOIP)

suio.parisnanterre.fr

University Informations and Orientation (SUIO)

Ramnoux building, ground floor, E14
monday to friday:
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tuesday: 9am-12pm
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Disability and Accessibility Department (SHA)

Rouch building, ground floor, R05
monday to friday: 9.30am-1pm/2pm-5pm
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CROUS Social Service

Ramnoux building, ground floor, E19
Walk-in every morning from 9.15am to 12.30pm, except thursday
By appointment every afternoon from 2pm to 4.45pm

You can also contact us by email at the following address:
service-social.nanterre@crous-versailles.fr

University Department Preventive Medicine (SUMP)

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monday to friday: 8.30am-5.30pm
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medecine-preventive@liste.parisnanterre.fr

Cultural and Artistic Campus Activities and Associations (ACA²)

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wednesday, friday: 10am-12pm
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University Department for Physical and Sport Activities (SUAPS) and Sports Centre

Sports Centre
monday to friday: 8am-10pm
saturday: 9am-1pm
Tel: +33(0)1 40 97 73 91
Closed during university holidays

University Library (BU)

monday to friday: 8.30am-8pm
saturday: 10am-6pm
For further information:
scd.parisnanterre.fr
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📍 Please refer to the map of the Nanterre campus on page 48

ANEF : Administration Numérique pour les Étrangers en France / *Digital Administration for Foreigners in France*

APA : *Academic Programs Abroad*

APL : Aide Personnalisée au Logement / *Personalised Housing Aid*

BCI : Programme québécois d'échanges étudiants / *Quebec Student Exchange Program*

BU : Bibliothèque Universitaire / *University library*

CAF : Caisse d'Allocations Familiales / *Family allowances fund*

Carte Vitale : carte d'assuré social permettant de ne pas avancer les frais couverts par la sécurité sociale / *Social security card allowing you not to advance the costs covered by social security*

CEAM : Carte Européenne d'Assurance Maladie / *European Health Insurance Card*

CM : Cours Magistral / *Lecture course*

Contrat d'études : Contrat pédagogique / *Learning Agreement*

CPAM : Caisse Primaire d'Assurance Maladie / *Primary Health Insurance Fund*

CROUS : Centre Régional des Œuvres Universitaires et Scolaires / *French Regional Student Services Agency (Student representative body dealing with scholarships, accommodation, catering, etc.)*

CUPA : *Center for University Programs Abroad*

DU : Diplôme d'université / *University Diploma*

EC : Élément constitutif (cours) / *Courses*

ECTS : Crédits universitaires européens / *European Credit Transfer System*

ENT : Environnement Numérique de Travail / *Virtual Work Environment*

FLE : Français Langue Etrangère / *French as a foreign language*

IA : Inscription Administrative / *administrative registration* cence 3ème année / *1st, 2nd, 3rd year of Bachelor*

IP : Inscription Pédagogique / *pedagogical registration*

L1, L2, L3 : Licence 1ère année, Licence 2ème année, Licence 3ème année / *1st, 2nd, 3rd year of Bachelor*

M1, M2 : Master 1ère année, Master 2ème année / *1st, 2nd year of Master*

Médecin conventionné secteur 1 : *Doctor who charges basic reimbursed rates*

MICEFA : Mission interuniversitaire de coordination des échanges franco-américains / *Inter-university mission for the coordination of Franco-American exchanges*

RIB : Relevé d'Identité Bancaire / *Bank statement of identity*

RU : Restaurant Universitaire / *University restaurant*

S1, S2, S3 : Semestre 1, Semestre 2, Semestre 3 / *1st, 2nd, 3rd semester*

Sécurité Sociale : *Public health insurance*

SRI : Service des Relations Internationales / *International Relations Office*

SUAPS : Service Universitaire des Activités Physiques et Sportives / *University Department for Physical and Sport Activities*

SUMPPS : Service Universitaire de Médecine Préventive / *University Department for Preventive Medicine and Health Promotion*

TD : Travaux dirigés / *Tutorials*

Tiers Payant : le fait de ne pas avoir à avancer la part remboursée par la sécurité sociale / *third-party payment / Part reimbursed by social security*

Ticket modérateur : *moderating fee (part not reimbursed by social security)*

UE : Unité d'Enseignement / *Teaching unit or module*

UFR : Unité de Formation et de Recherche / *Faculty*

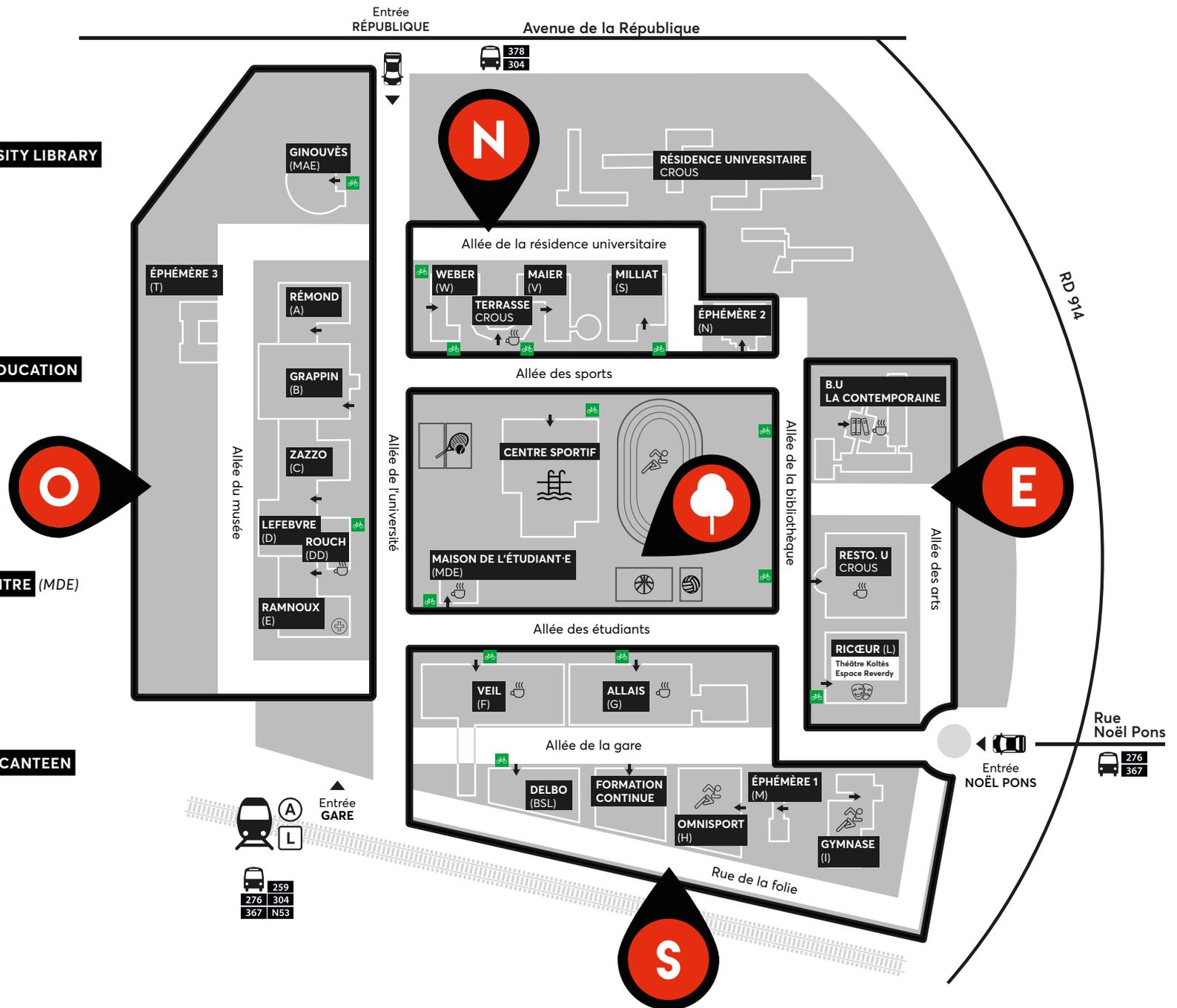
VLS-TS : Visa Long Séjour valant Titre de Séjour / *long-stay visa valid as a residence permit*

NANTERRE CAMPUS MAP

Nanterre campus map: bit.ly/accescampusUPN

Buildings in alphabetical order

- ▶ **ALLAIS** (G)
- ▶ **BIBLIOTHÈQUE UNIVERSITAIRE/UNIVERSITY LIBRARY**
- ▶ **CENTRE SPORTIF/SPORTS CENTRE** (BSL)
- ▶ **DELBO** (BSL)
- ▶ **ÉPHÉMÈRE 1** (M)
- ▶ **ÉPHÉMÈRE 2** (N)
- ▶ **ÉPHÉMÈRE 3** (T)
- ▶ **FORMATION CONTINUE/CONTINUING EDUCATION**
- ▶ **GINOUVÈS** (MAE)
- ▶ **GRAPPIN** (B)
- ▶ **GYMNASE** (I)
- ▶ **LEFEBVRE** (D)
- ▶ **MAIER** (V)
- ▶ **MAISON DE L'ÉTUDIANT-E/STUDENT CENTRE** (MDE)
- ▶ **MILLIAT** (S)
- ▶ **OMNISPORT** (H)
- ▶ **RAMNOUX** (E)
- ▶ **RÉMOND** (A)
- ▶ **RESTAURANT UNIVERSITAIRE/STUDENT CANTEEN**
- ▶ **RICŒUR** (L)
- ▶ **ROUCH** (DD)
- ▶ **VEIL** (F)
- ▶ **WEBER** (W)
- ▶ **ZAZZO** (C)







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