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FRANCE

France is the world's fifth largest economy and the second largest exporter of services and has many multinational companies. It's one of the leading providers of International Education. France enjoys a marvellous cultural heritage with a high standard of living as well as a high public and private education level. Its healthcare system is rated as the best in the world and life expectancies as 2nd best in the world. It is a land of Art & Culture with many famous museums to visit. Nearly 2,90,000 international students study in France every year. It's growing in popularity among Indian students. It is also not necessary to know French for post graduate studies as there are several programs taught in English. France devotes almost 20% of its annual national budget to education and many of its elite schools feature in international rankings. Scientific research plays an important role in France.

Worldwide Rankings of France.

- 4th for patents.
- 5th for scientific publications.
- 5th for hosting international researchers.
- 5th for research investment for developing countries.

WHY STUDY IN FRANCE ?

HUB OF EDUCATION

- One of the most sought after study abroad destinations.
- Excellent international career opportunities after graduation.
- Well known for its Elite "Grande Ecole"

AFFORDABLE LIFE

- The Living cost of France is lower than most of the European capitals.
- The Government provides Financial help for accomodation (Upto 1/3rd for students)
- Living in France is relatively cheaper as compared to U.K.
- Its Easy to get lost in sights & sounds of French jet set & haute couture lifestyle.

LEARNING FRENCH IS NOT ESSENTIAL :

- French Grande Ecoles are increasingly using English as medium of Instruction.
- For, students lacking proficiency in French, it is usually taught as a subject in their curriculum during the course time.

RICH IN ART AND CULTURE

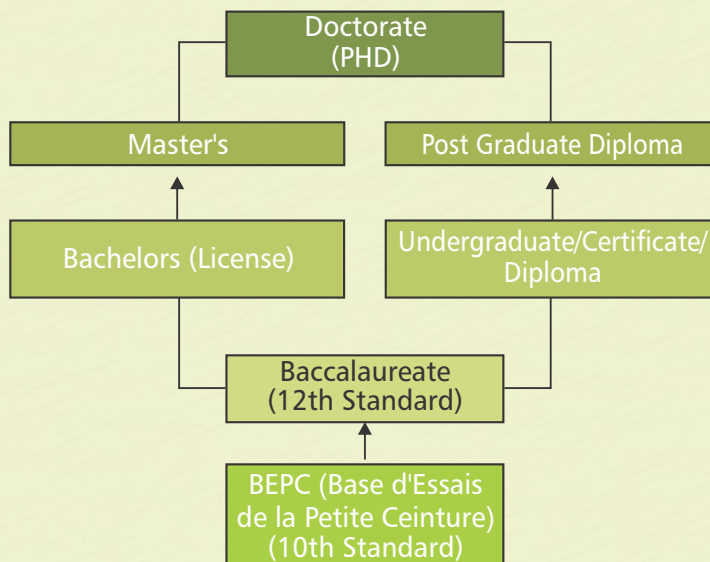
- France is one the most culturally rich countries in Europe with rich flavour of art and tradition.
- France is the number 1 tourist destination in the world.
- France is home to many famous paintings like Monet, Mona Lisa etc.
- French Architecture is unrivalled in the world with its unique style.(Eg: Eiffel Tower, Louvre Museum).

EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- In the Information Technology sector, France ranks second in Europe and fourth in the world.
- France is in forefront of technological progress in several fields .
- France is responsible for monitoring and technical management of the European space program Ariane.



FRENCH EDUCATION SYSTEM



The French education system is highly centralized; organized and ramified. It is divided into 3 different stages:

- Primary education
- Secondary education
- Higher education

Primary education:

In France, kids start school very early, school starts of the age of 3 (for almost 100%) and children spend 3 years in kindergarten, schooling is compulsory until the age 16.

Secondary education

In France, secondary education is offered in two stages, namely, BEPC (Based Essais de La Petite Ceinture) and Baccalaureate. BEPC is equivalent to the 10th Std. in India & encompasses secondary school education from 11 to 15 year of age.

Higher education

Higher secondary education from 15 to 18 years of age culminates in a diploma known as the Baccalaureate which is essentially the same as the 12th std. in India. The Baccalaureate is also known as Lycees.

Universities

There are about 90 Public Universities spread throughout the country. They cover the entire range of academic disciplines from the sciences, including Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics and Biology to Technology, Covering Computer Science, Engineering, Material Science and Electrical Engineering through to Literature, Language, the Arts, the Social Science, Law Economics Management Health Sports and more.

Grande Ecoles

The Grande ecoles are uniquely French institutions, created in the early 19th century in parallel to the university system; they are extremely selective and offer education of a very high standard. There are over 300 Grande Ecoles in France covering different subject areas. The fee structure can sometimes be higher but students benefit from smaller class sizes, better support systems and excellent networking (alumni companies and international partners). These can be either Public or Private Institutions or part of both.

POPULAR COURSES

MBA, IT, Engineering, Fashion, Art and Design

Entry Requirements for Masters

MBA: Bachelor's degree, 2 to 3 years work experience, GMAT

Master: Bachelor's degree

English requirement + Eligibility

IELTS/TOEFL is not a mandatory requirement to secure the admission in France.

RANKING AND ACCREDITATION

There are several rankings which are published by reputable newspapers and specialised press. The Grande Ecole always comes out on top. They are also highly accredited institutions.

1. The UK financial Times has ranked the Best Business schools in Europe, of them are French Grande Ecoles.
2. For example the best Grande Ecole Business Schools are accredited by EQUIS, AMBA, AACSB (international accreditations). They are also approved by the government. The best Grande Ecole Engineering Schools are accredited by the French Board of Engineering Degrees. Member of the CGE (French Conference of top management and engineering Schools) and the CDEFI (Conférence of Directors of French Engineering Schools). Awarded the EURACE label.



APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- All the applicants must submit certified true copies of relevant documents along with the application form. They must bring originals to Edwise offices for verification.
- The school which you have applied will decide on the recognition of your academic background and will decide at which level you can qualify to enter.
- If the application is accepted you will receive a conditional / confirmation offer letter from them which can be used for a long stay student resident visa.
- You need to complete Registration and pay the first installment fees and send it to the School. The School will send you details on how to apply for accommodation later on.
- Applicants must complete the online procedure. They will find details about this at campusfrance.org and on the India Campus France page.
- The applicant needs to take an appointment with the French Embassy for a visa interview and to verify financial documents along with the visa documents at the Embassy of France or the Consulates in respective cities.
- After evaluation of the complete application Approval is given by the French Embassy within 2-3 weeks.
- After visa approval, the student can book their tickets.

INTAKES

The major intake in France is September and February.

TUITION FEES

Programmes	France Currency	Indian Currency
Masters	Euro 10,000 - Euro 16,500	₹ 9,10,000/- - ₹ 15,01,500/-
MBA	Euro 16,000 - Euro 25,000	₹ 14,56,000/- - ₹ 22,75,000/-

(1Euro = ₹ 91 at the time of print)

ACCOMMODATION

University Residences: Located on campus or in town, run by CROUS (Centre Régional des Oeuvres Universitaires et Sociales) these rooms are equipped with all the necessary facilities and the rent is around 250 to 400 Euros.

Private Student Residences: They are found in most of the major cities in France and this concept has been trending lately. Rent around 800-1000 Euros in Paris and 500-800 Euros in other cities. It is less common for students to share flats in France. Landlords often ask for a guarantor.

LIVING EXPENSES IN FRANCE

A budget of around Euro 600 - Euro 1000 per month.

Accommodation	Euro 300 - Euro 600 per month
Food	Euro 350 - Euro 500
Health Insurance	Euro 40
Transport	Euro 50 - Euro 130
Utilities	Euro 50 - Euro 100
Personal Expenses	Euro 100 - Euro 300

(1Euro = ₹ 92 at the time of print)

* An International student who is enrolled in a French Institution for 1 year or more gets a Student Residency Permit for studying in France and they can apply for government help for their housing allowances which is also known as CAF. This process takes around 1 month and this covers up to 1/3rd of the housing allowance for International students.

HEALTH INSURANCE

International students under 28 years of age enrolled in an educational institution for a program of at least 3 months duration are enrolled in the student segment of the National Health Insurance Plan and above 28 years they have a similar process. An International student must join the social security system to take out an additional cover. In France, the annual cost of such policies runs from Euro 150 to Euro 550. On average social security covers about 70% of the expenses, related to illness. The other advantage is the Social Security Scheme for students, which reimburses healthcare expenses against a modest basic payment.

WORK PERMIT

Working in France during your studies:

- International students are entitled to work part time upto 20 hours a week off campus. In France there is a guaranteed minimum salary which is €9.61 per hour.

Working in France after your studies

- Students who have earned, at least, a Master's Degree or the equivalent may apply for a one-time (nonrenewable) Temporary Residency Authorization (APS, autorisation provisoire de séjour) valid for 24 months beyond the date of expiration of the student's residency permit. After completion of programme students are eligible to get stay back option. The authorization enables the student to work at any job up to the limit of 60% of the official work week (that is, just over half-time employment).
- Students who obtain a job related to their academic program at a rate of compensation equal to at least 1.5 times the national minimum wage may enter full-time employment by filing a request for change of status (from student to employee) at their prefecture.
- At the end of your studies, you can also be recruited by a company, even if you are not an EU national.
- If you have an aim to come back to India and start your own career here, then your French degree will allow you to avail a circulation visa to France and Europe for 5 years, which will be extended through your life.
<http://www.inde.campusfrance.org/en/page/5-year-visa-france>



FINANCIAL AID AND GRANTS

The French government funds approximately 22,000 students each year. Most of the aid is administered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



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- Complete guidance on Educational loans

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- Student Travel and Medical Insurance
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The Ministry's programs are of two types

1. Scholarship funds are made available under bilateral assistance programs between France and foreign governments or under an annual scholarship program. More than 80 % of French government scholarships fall into this category.
2. Scholarships for Excellence - Scholarship programs have been set up to enable French institutions of higher education to attract the finest International students.

STUDENT VISA

France has a very simple procedure of Student Visas. Students need to submit their visa documents through online applications for Visa with Campus France. Interview will be taken by Campus France and the documents will be submitted to the Consulate and then the visa is granted.

FAQ'S

1. Is French Language compulsory in France?

No, French Universities are now using English as the language of instruction especially in areas like Management, Engineering, Political Science etc, to attract more international students. It is advisable to learn some French in order to compete with French Students.

2. May I work in France?

International Students may work part time if their timetable permits as long as they are registered at an institution approved by the French social security system. Even first year students coming to France for the first time have the right to work part time, 20 hours per week.

STUDENTS TESTIMONIAL

"My experience with Edwise was great. The counselor was very helpful & informative and cleared all the doubts I ever had. I am really very thankful to Edwise for their support and prompt services. While applying to a country like France with very limited consultants, Edwise are experts for the same"

Renoy Jacob - Neoma Business School, MBA.

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Muzamil Rehman - Esigelec Grande Ecole, MSc In Embedded Systems

"Edwise has really helped me with my applications to French Universities. Infact, I owe all the credit to my counsellor for the timely assistance regarding my offer from Le Cordon".

Farzana Javed - Le Cordon Bleu, Diploma in Patisserie

How Edwise will help you with :

- Clear & precise information
- Career counselling and academic orientation
- Choosing the most suitable institute.
- Preparation of file and admission procedures
- Follow up with institutes.
- Scholarship files for meritorious candidates
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- Visa documentation and NOC file preparation.
- Bank loan assistance.



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We Counsel and Help Students with Applications for Institutions not listed above as well

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Some of our counsellors have worked and studied abroad. Further more our counsellors have been trained by international experts to guide students professionally in selecting the right course at the ideal university.