

FAQ (English)

Incoming student :

How to apply to the University of Lille?

- You will be able to start your application once we receive your official nomination from your university (beforehand you have to contact the international relations office of your home university in order to obtain all the necessary information). Your application will be sent to you by email with a detailed sheet attached.

Where can I find the list of courses?

- You can find the list of available courses in the drop-down menus on this page.

Are there any language requirements to apply?

- A B1 level in French is required to register in our faculty. Any document attesting to your level is accepted.
 - Letter or simple certificate signed by your Erasmus coordinator or a language teacher
 - Official international tests

When will I receive my invitation letter?

- An invitation letter will be sent to you once your application has been validated by the University of Lille. You will receive this letter by email at the end of May.

Do I need a visa to study in France?

- If you are a student from the European Union, your identity card or passport will be sufficient to reside in France.
- If you are a non-European citizen, you must apply for a visa at the French embassy in your home country and have a passport valid for the entire duration of your stay. Please note that processing times can be long! For more information: <https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/web/france-visas/welcome-page>

How can I book an accommodation?

- To reserve a room in a university residence, you must tick the related box in your online application form and fill in the requested information on the form. You must send us your application before the indicated deadline. After this date, the University will no longer be able to reserve a room in a residence hall. You will then have to look for an accommodation on the private sector.
You will receive a notification from CROUS (in charge of university residences) during the month of June. You will then receive a contract that you must sign and return before your arrival to guarantee your accommodation.
- Otherwise, you can also look for accommodation by yourself in the private sector:
 - [Se loger - Université de Lille \(univ-lille.fr\)](#)
 - <https://livin-france.com/UnivLille/register>
 - <https://univ-lille.studapart.com/en/login>
 - <https://www.lokaviz.fr/>
 - <https://housinganywhere.com/>

What are the prices of accommodation?

- For university residence accommodation, prices can range from 250€ to 450€ per month (monthly fees included).
- For housing in the private sector, prices vary between 350€ and 750€ per month.

What is "Assurance habitation" (house insurance)?

- House insurance is mandatory for all tenants, regardless of the type of housing they live in. To choose one, it is important to compare the different student offers that exist. This type of student insurance costs between 5€ and 15€ per month, depending on the insurer, and covers the tenant's civil liability, property and personal effects, personal liability, personal protection, and assistance.

Here are some comparators to help you (in French):

- <https://www.lesfurets.com/lp/habitation/comparateur-assurance-habitation>
- <https://www.assurecompare.fr/assurance-habitation/>
- <https://www.lecomparateurassurance.com/86934-devis-habitation/86521-habitation>

Do I have to take out health insurance?

- For students from the EU, you must apply for a European Health Insurance Card in your home country. It must be valid for the entire duration of your mobility. There is no other step to take upon arrival.
- For non-EU students, you must take out a health insurance in your home country covering the entire duration of your mobility. And, only if you stay the whole year, you have to register on the website of the Assurance Maladie as soon as you arrive. More information: <https://www.etudiant.gouv.fr/en/social-security-your-medical-expenditure-coverage-217>

What is the academic calendar (courses, exams, holidays)?

- For the current year, you can refer to this [general calendar](#) (section "Calendrier universitaire de l'année en cours"). However, the dates of courses and exams may be different depending on the course. A more precise timetable will be given to you upon your arrival.

How do the French courses work?

- The university offers French courses to exchange students, you have 2 possibilities
 - The extensive session: 2 hours of classes per week, throughout the semester. You will be able to choose among 3 slots proposed according to your schedule. This course gives you 2 ECTS credits.
 - The intensive session: one full week (20 hours) at the beginning of the semester. This session does not give ECTS credits.

How and when do I get my student card?

- After your registration, the university will provide you a student card. It will be given to you upon your arrival. This card will allow you to borrow books from the University Library or to pay for your meals at the University Restaurant.

When will I receive my transcript?

- Your transcript will be sent to you by e-mail. You will receive it at the end of February for the fall semester and at the end of May for the spring semester.