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INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENT **G**UIDE

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« It is my pleasure to welcome you at the Faculty of Economics, Social Sciences, Geography and Planning. We offer our students a wide and diverse range of academically rigorous study programs at the Master and Bachelor levels ranging from Economics and Management to Sociology, Cultural Studies, Geography and Urban Planning. Our large body of professors and researchers is involved in outstanding research and collaboration with private, public and international institutions. Graduates from our Faculty have been appointed in leading positions in France and internationally.

The internationalization of our courses and students is a strategic priority of the Faculty. We have invested in this way by significantly developing student mobility, courses in English, international double degree programs, an office dedicated to international students and other innovative international projects. Each year, we are pleased to welcome more than 500 international students from all over the world who contribute to the cultural diversity of our Faculty. We encourage and support our students in the process of studying and working abroad to increase their intercultural openness and language skills.

It is my hope that you take the opportunity to attend and participate in the Faculty's research forums and seminars that we offer to our students and the wider community. It is my hope that your stay with us will be both productive and enjoyable. »

Michael BREI

Vice Dean of
international affairs

WELCOME TO LILLE

Lille is located in the triangle London-Paris-Brussels and offers a truly European experience to all international students. With affordable housing and cost of living compared to other major European capitals, Lille is a student city, with a very young population and a vibrant cultural scene.

UNIVERSITY OF LILLE : THE FRENCH UNIVERSITY FOR NORTH-WEST EUROPE!

The University of Lille attracts many students thanks to a dynamic academic environment enriched by the proximity of international universities ranked among the best in the world.

The students enjoy excellent study conditions across the large campuses that offer numerous associative and cultural facilities. They have access to modern international-standard university residences, up-to-date libraries equipped with facilities for new ways of learning using digital technologies, as well as a highly developed rich and varied cultural calendar (cinema, exhibitions, theatres ...)



KEY FIGURES

- 67000 students with 7300 international students
- 1800 PhD students
- 24 Faculties
- 67 Research units
- 6300 Staff
- 90% Integration rate into the job market following a Master degree

FACULTY OF ECONOMICS, SOCIAL SCIENCES, GEOGRAPHY & PLANNING

The Faculty of economics, social sciences, geography and planning is the fruit of a merger between five components of the University of Lille. It was created to offer students a diverse range of courses in humanities, the social sciences and law, economics & management.

Beginning in September 2021, it will host more than 6,000 undergraduates and students in continuous education and on work-study contracts, with a multidisciplinary offer of bachelor's and master's programmes, comprising more than 60 courses. It will provide academic and vocational teaching at the highest level, combining theory and practice, with more than 300 teachers, lecturers, researchers and guest practitioners.

It is made up of three departments, each with its own renowned research unit: the Economics & management institute, the Department of Social science and the Department of geography & planning.

What we offer...

- A large range of Bachelor and Master programs with 6 international programs in English
- Doctoral programs
- 90 courses offered in English
- 100 incoming exchange students from all over the world welcomed every year
- An International Relations Office and Erasmus coordinators are at your disposal to daily assist you in your administrative and academic procedures
- Free French language courses for international students (2 hours of French lessons/week & organization of an intensive French week at the beginning of each semester)
- A Buddy system to welcome you on board and the ESN Association are available to facilitate your arrival in Lille and organize trips to Europe with other international students
- A module designed for exchange students on Supervised Research Methods (Conférence de méthode) in which international students engage in collaborative learning, research and presentation focused on current economic issues. The module values 6 ECTS each semester.

THE INSTITUTE OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

The Department provides outstanding academic and professional higher education in Economics, Management, and Statistics combining theory, practice, research, and job training. It benefits from recognized experience and expertise, leading students to effective and fast labour market integration.

- ➔ 3500 bachelor's and master's students
- ➔ 90 PhD students
- ➔ 125 faculty members and 200 guest lecturers
- ➔ 41 study programmes from Bachelor's to PhD level
- ➔ 3 research units: LEM – Clersé – RIME LAB

THE INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The department provides high quality academic and professional higher education in sociology, anthropology, demography and cultural studies, combining theory, practice, research and professional training. It has a proven track record and expertise, leading to effective and rapid integration of students into the labour market.

- ➔ 2000 undergraduate, graduate and PhD students
- ➔ 60 faculty members and 50 professionals
- ➔ 17 study programs from the Bachelor to the PhD level
- ➔ 3 research units : CLERSE – CeRIES – GERIICO

THE DEPARTEMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND URBAN PLANNING

The Department offers a diverse range of training courses based on dynamic research. With around thirty teacher-researchers gathered in the TVES (Territoires, Villes, Environnement & Société) laboratory, the department offers training courses to prepare for careers in research, teaching in the field of Urban planning and Geography.

- ➔ 550 bachelor's and master's students
- ➔ 37 PhD students
- ➔ 30 faculty members
- ➔ 12 study programmes from Bachelor's to PhD level
- ➔ 1 research units: TVES

LOCATION, ACCESS AND TRANSPORT

How to get to Lille

Lille is connected to Paris, London, Brussels, and Amsterdam by a fast-train system (Eurostar, TGV, Thalys, ICE and more). This means that you can travel from Lille to many locations in Europe. For example, it takes only about an hour to get to London and Paris. There are also a number of airports that connect you with Lille from distant places: Lille, Paris, Brussels, Charleroi, ...

For students coming from Paris, here are some simple options that you can look into for the travel to Lille:

- If you arrive in Paris Charles de Gaulle (CDG): there is a train that goes directly from Terminal 2 to Lille. See the website of the SNCF for the ticket.
- If you arrive in Paris Orly: you will have to take the ORLYVAL, then the metro in order to arrive at the "Gare du Nord". From there, there is a direct train to Lille (more information you can find in the [survival guide](#)).

Do not hesitate to ask your ESN buddy system for help!

There are two train stations in Lille. From these stations you can take the subway to Cité Scientifique (line 1 in yellow).



LOCATION, ACCESS AND TRANSPORT

How to get to our Faculty / International Office

Address:
Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences
International Relations Office (Relations internationales)
Building SH3 – Office C017 (ground floor)
Campus Cité Scientifique
59650 Villeneuve d'Ascq

Opening hours

Monday to Friday 8:30-12:00 / 13:30-17:00

See campus map at the end of this guide



YOUR MOBILITY STEP-BY-STEP



BEFORE MOBILITY

- Make sure that you are registered in our partner University. The International Office of your home University will know whether we have an exchange contract
- Be nominated by your home University via e-mail. Once we receive your nomination, we will send you the online application procedure.

Application procedure

Complete the [online application](#) form before the deadline. To finalize your application, you must have completed a learning agreement by choosing the courses you want to study in our Faculty. You must use the online learning agreement tool following our guideline.

- Once your application to the Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences is accepted, you will receive an admission notice via e-mail (acceptance letter and information package)
- [Prepare your departure](#)

Required documents for application

Identity photo
Passport or identity card
Academic transcript of records
Learning agreement

Application deadlines

Fall semester : 15th May
Spring semester : 1st November

Before arriving to Lille,

We encourage you to join our ESN buddy system to facilitate your arrival.



DURING MOBILITY

- **Once you arrive in Lille**, please visit our International Office located in building SH3 – office C017 (see map). We will help you with administrative procedures and provide you a student card and registration certificate.
- **Complete your learning agreement and register to courses.** Please note that you can only make the final choice of courses and fill in your final learning agreement once the course schedules are updated. The course schedules will be published in September for the fall semester and in December for the spring semester. After arrival you will have to submit your course registration before the deadlines to relations-internationales-ses@univ-lille.fr



AFTER MOBILITY

- An academic transcript of records will be issued after your examination period and sent directly to your home coordinator with our grading scale system.
- A certificate of attendance will be signed upon request.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall semester: 06/09/2020 - 14/01/2022
Spring semester: 17/01/2022 - 30/06/2022

Note that the examination and vacation periods can vary depending on each study program in which you take courses. A schedule for each program will be given upon arrival.

VACATIONS

Autumn :
01/11/2021 to 07/11/2021

Christmas :
18/12/2021 to 02/01/2022

Winter :
12/02/2022 to 20/02/2022

Spring :
09/04/2022 to 24/04/2022

GRADING SCALE

SCALE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LILLE 0-20	ECTS Grading scale	DEFINITION
14.50 - 20	A	Excellent Outstanding performance with only minor errors
12.50 - 14.49	B	Very good Above the average standard but with some errors
11 - 12.49	C	Good Generally sound work with a number of notable errors
10.50 - 10.99	D	Satisfactory Fair but with significant shortcomings
10 - 10.49	E	Sufficient Performance meets the minimum criteria
8 - 9.99	FX	Fail Some more work required before credit can be awarded
0 - 7.99	F	Fail Considerable further work is required



FRENCH LANGUAGE COURSES

The University of Lille offers French courses for international students (intensive preparation at your arrival and weekly courses during the semester). These courses are free of charge and are organized every semester. They value 2 ECTS. The courses take place at the Maison des Langues on the Cité Scientifique campus (see map).

For more information, contact: exchange-helpdesk@univ-lille.fr

SUPERVISED RESEARCH METHODS (CONFÉRENCE DE MÉTHODE)

Our Faculty offers to all exchange students the module "Confé- rence de méthode".

It is a group work consisting of collaborative learning, research and presentation on current economic issues. Each group has to submit and present a research report. This module is organized every semester (in French and English) and it values 6 ECTS. We recommend international students to register for this module because it is a perfect opportunity to get to know other international students, and this, in a joint research team.



STUDENT SUPPORT AND DAILY LIFE

• Student card

After being registered, we will provide you a student card. You can use it to borrow books at Lilliad Learning Center, access sport facilities and pay for your meals in the University Restaurant.

You will receive e-mail notifications in order to activate your ULille and Izly accounts soon after registration. It is very important to activate these accounts in order to receive all useful e-mail correspondence from the University, to access Wifi and to pay your meal at the University Restaurant.

• University Restaurant

The University catering service, run by CROUS, offers a wide range of menus. Traditional dishes are served in the University Restaurants (RU), with meals priced at €3.25 (1 course + 3 side dishes). University restaurants are open from Monday to Friday, at lunchtime and in the evening. A wide range of other options are also on offer, including lunch bags, bar food, sandwiches, pizzas, salads, fresh pasta, etc. The University cafés serve a wide range of fast food at reasonable prices, with flexible opening hours to suit students.

You need to recharge your student card beforehand via [the Izly app for your smartphone or online](#) to pay your meal at the University.

• Accommodation

The University of Lille manages a number of student residences from €150 to €400 per month. The accommodation request is done when you fill in your application form for the exchange program.

However, the reception capacity in the University Residences is limited and not all requests can be retained. Home insurance is mandatory for any type of housing. If you are staying in a University Residence, proof of this insurance must be provided shortly after your arrival.

[Further information](#)

• Health insurance

Before arriving in France, you have to justify a social security affiliation or a private insurance coverage. It must cover your medical expenses during your stay in France. For European students, you have to bring your [European Health Insurance Card](#).

STUDENT SUPPORT AND DAILY LIFE

• Cost of living

Some of the below-mentioned prices are estimates, which may vary depending on each student's way of life.

Accommodation

University residence	150-400 € / month
Private studio	300-500 € / month
House insurance	50 € / year

Food

University restaurant	3,25 €
Restaurant	10-25 €
Coffee	1,50 €
Fast food	5-9 €

Leisure

Cinema	8-9 €
Bowling	4-6 €
Swimming pool	3-4 €
Theater	10 €

Transportation

Subway (1 hour ticket)	1,65 €
Subway monthly subscription (<25 years old)	29 €
Train Lille-Paris	20-50 €

• Visa for non-European students

All non-European students need a long stay visa for studies "type D".

The visa "type C" for tourism cannot under any circumstances be transformed as a residence permit in France. Therefore, the visa type D is necessary and mandatory.

In order to apply for student visa, you have to [contact the French consulate or embassy in your home country](#).

STUDENT SUPPORT AND DAILY LIFE

• Wifi connection

Our Campus has a Wifi coverage within the eduroam network. If your home institution is an eduroam partner, you can use your personal login details issued by your home institution. Otherwise, you must wait for your ULille registration for the login.

In order to login into eduroam you have to first install eduroam CAT on your device and follow [the guide-lines](#).

• Emergency contacts

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (SAMU): Dial 15 to obtain the intervention of a medical team during a life-threatening situation.

POLICE: Dial 17 to report an offense that requires the immediate intervention of the police.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (SAPEURS-POMPIERS): Dial 18 to report a situation of danger, fire or an accident concerning goods or people and to get their quick intervention.



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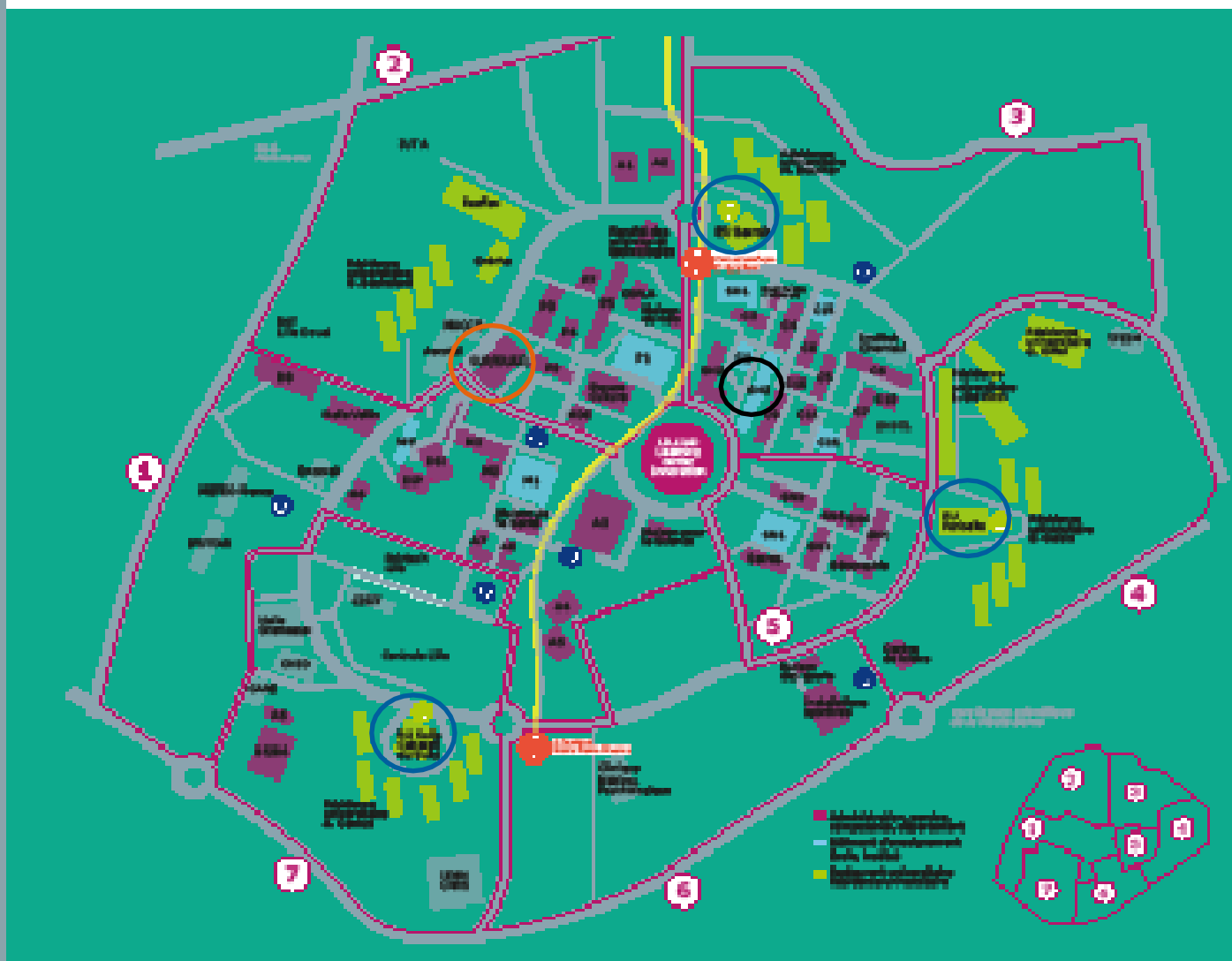
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CAMPUS MAP



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 French language course

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 Subway

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