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## INSTITUT CATHOLIQUE DE PARIS FACT SHEET 2024-2025

Strategically located in the **historic heart of Paris**, the Catholic University of Paris (ICP) offers a wealth of amenities where the old meets the new. Founded in 1875, ICP allows its students to have a rich and historic filled experience while enjoying the **modernity of a 21<sup>st</sup> century campus**.

ICP values **open-mindedness** and dialogue across borders. It teaches **10,000 students: 15%** of which are **international students**. With 6 libraries, classrooms equipped with the latest technology, a brand-new auditorium, students at ICP feel at home and welcomed and ready to explore new possibilities.

Thanks to its prime location, our campus is very **easily accessible** by public transport and all major services are at a walking distance. Studying at the Catholic University of Paris allows to discover the charm of the **Parisian lifestyle** while advancing your education.

Visit us at: <https://www.icp.fr/international/direction-des-relations-internationales>  
Or send us an email at: [international@icp.fr](mailto:international@icp.fr)

### OUR CAMPUS: MODERN FACILITIES IN A SPIRIT OF TRADITION

Discover our Campus at: <https://www.icp.fr/international/venir-etudier-a-licp/un-campus-au-coeur-de-paris>

Virtual Tour of our Campus: <https://www.icp.fr/html/visite-virtuelle/>

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## WHAT CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE?

You may choose modules from **one faculty**. Most of Faculty **courses** are **delivered in French**. The maximum study load per semester is **30 ECTS**. For each ECTS, you should count with 25 to 30 working hours.

Please check our **French course catalogue**: <https://www.icp.fr/international/venir-etudier-a-licp/catalogue-des-cours> or the English page: <https://en.icp.fr/programs/course-catalog-1>

From September 2023, the ICP offers **courses in English** within its Faculty of Liberal Arts and its Faculty of Social Sciences, Economics and Law to exchange students.

Please check our **English-taught courses catalogue**: <https://en.icp.fr/programs/english-taught-courses>

**Please note:** The Faculty of Theology, the Faculty of Canon Law, the Faculty of Philosophy, and the Faculty of Education do not offer any courses in English.

### Postgraduate students:

Fall semester: postgraduate students can take undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

Spring semester: postgraduate students can only take undergraduate courses.

## NOMINATION DEADLINES

Fall 2024

From March 15<sup>th</sup>  
to May 15<sup>th</sup>

Spring 2025

From July 15<sup>th</sup>  
to October 15<sup>th</sup>

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

Fall 2024

15<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Spring 2025

15<sup>th</sup> November 2024

## ADMISSION PROCESS

If you are studying at one of our partner universities, please have your Study Abroad Office or Erasmus coordinator nominate you for our program.

A B1 level in French is required to study at our faculties, **nevertheless a B2 level is highly recommended** at a Bachelor Level.

A C1 level in French is required at the Master and PhD Levels.

A B2 level in English is required for the courses that are taught entirely in English.

For more information, please visit the following page: <https://en.icp.fr/programs/exchange-mobility/pedagogical-information>

### Supporting documents

- Passport copy
- Learning Agreement
- Letter of motivation in French
- Transcript of records
- Proof of French proficiency (B2 recommended)
- ID Photo
- European Health Insurance Card (for European students) Worldwide health insurance coverage (for non-European students)

## PREPARE YOUR ARRIVAL TO ICP

Once your admission to the ICP is confirmed, you will be able to access the **ICP International Welcome Desk**. This online platform and the **online chat** will give you **all the information that you will need before, during and after your mobility**:

- every event organized by the International Affairs Office,
- detailed checklists of every administrative procedure,
- advice to settle into your life in Paris: how to use the Paris public transportation, open a bank account, meet people at the ICP and even book an airport pickup!

You can find out more about [the ICP International Welcome Desk with this video](#).

## FRENCH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE COURSES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The University's French language center, the "Institut de Langue et Culture Françaises" (ILCF) – Institute of French Language and Culture – offers **French as Foreign Language classes (FLE) free of charge for exchange students** during the semester: 21 hours, delivering **4 ECTS**.

ILCF organizes monthly intensive courses in June, July, August, September, and January. These courses can lead to several ECTS credits but are not (except mentioned otherwise in the exchange agreement) included in the exchange agreement and are on a fee-paying basis.

For more information, please visit: <https://ilcf.icp.fr/en> or send an email to: [ilcf@icp.fr](mailto:ilcf@icp.fr)

## ACCOMMODATION

Finding an accommodation in Paris can be difficult. Luckily ICP has signed an agreement with the public body CROUS administering University Residences around the Paris Region.

Exchange students can have a chance to **stay in downtown Paris** in 2 University Residences for one semester or even for a full academic year at affordable rents:

<b>CASTAGNARY Residence</b>	<b>Studio</b>	<b>17-22sqm</b>	<b>480 € monthly</b>
<b>SAINT-JACQUES Residence</b>	<b>Room</b>	<b>11-18sqm</b>	<b>590 € monthly</b>

For more information, please visit <https://www.icp.fr/international/venir-etudier-a-licp/vie-pratique#logement> or contact Christophe FARGES at: [c.farges@icp.fr](mailto:c.farges@icp.fr)

## SEMESTER PERIODS

### Semester 1 (Fall 2024)

The semester runs from mid-September to mid-December. Students studying at ICP should plan to be on campus for the Fall Semester exam period in December and January.

### Semester 2 (Spring 2025)

The semester runs from mid-January until end of May with two weeks off for Easter break. All Spring Semester and full year students should plan to be on campus for the exam period in April and May. The re-sit exam period is in June.

## REGISTRATION AND ASSESSMENT

Students attend pre-selected courses for two weeks which they can drop or change afterwards.

After this two-week orientation period, students must register in courses that they will take for the rest of the semester. To validate the courses, students must complete the course work which includes:

- Full attendance (2 absences allowed)
- Complete all midterm papers or any other form of evaluation required by the professor
- Sit for the final exam

## GRADING SCALE

France has a different grading scale than other countries. Please find below important information:

<i>Grade Point Equivalent</i>	<i>Interpretation</i>	<i>Course grade</i>
<b>A+</b>	OUTSTANDING – highest grade	16-20
<b>A</b>	EXCELLENT	14-15.9
<b>B+</b>	VERY GOOD – almost excellent	12-13.9
<b>B</b>	VERY GOOD	11-11.9
<b>B-</b>	GOOD	10.5-10.9
<b>C+</b>	VERY SATISFACTORY	10.1-10.4
<b>C</b>	SATISFACTORY	10
<b>C-</b>	INSUFFICIENT	9-9.9
<b>D</b>	FAIL – weak performance	8-8.9
<b>E</b>	FAIL – considerable work required	0-7.9
<b>DEF</b>	DEF is assigned when the student is absent from the required final examination or more than 3 times during term. Equivalent to FAIL	
<b>V</b>	Means “Passing” – Attendance only – The students obtain only ECTS credits but no grade	

## ECTS CREDITS

To facilitate student mobility and the recognition of studies, the ICP applies the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).

**Exchange students:** To find out the number of ECTS credits for each course, please refer to the table below:

<i>Number of course hours</i>	<i>Number of ECTS Credits</i>
12 to 17 hours	2
18 to 20 hours	3
21 to 23 hours	4
24 to 35 hours	5
36 hours and more	6

## TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDS

Certified transcripts of records will be **sent** to the student’s home university **within two months** following the final exam. Transcripts will be sent at the end of the academic year for students staying for two semesters.

## DISABILITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND SUPPORT

The ICP has a **specific policy for welcoming students with disabilities** and **offers a campus adapted for people with reduced mobility**. Every student with a disability will meet with ICP's head of Health Department and the Disability Officer of their faculty to discuss the **accommodations and academic support** they need. For more information, please contact the International Affairs Office and visit: <https://www.icp.fr/vie-du-campus/vie-associative-et-etudiante/handicap> (page in French).

A **free counselling and psychological support service** is available in French and English for every student. For more detailed information, please contact: [infirmierie@icp.fr](mailto:infirmierie@icp.fr)

## HEALTH, SOCIAL SECURITY AND INSURANCE

Non-EU international student: You can **benefit from French healthcare** during your studies in France. You can also purchase a complementary health insurance policy including repatriation prior to arrival.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.ameli.fr/assure/droits-demarches/etudes-stages/etudiant/french-social-security-registration-process-foreign-students>

<https://www.icp.fr/international/venir-etudier-a-licp/vie-pratique#sante-securite-sociale> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEpy9Xr9UKk>

EU citizen: Your **European Health Insurance Card** gives you access to medically necessary, state-provided healthcare during a temporary stay in any of the EU countries under the same conditions and at the same cost as people insured in that country. Cards are issued by your national health insurance provider.

Important: the European Health Insurance Card does not guarantee free services.

Before arriving in Paris, please visit: <https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559>

## STUDENT LIFE

ICP has a **very active student life** that will allow you to make friends easily, enjoy life on-campus and discover the Parisian cultural life.

Specific activities are also organized all year round for exchange students.

Discover all the possibilities at: <https://en.icp.fr/campus-life/practical-information/student-life>

For more information, please visit: <https://en.icp.fr/campus-life/cultural-activities>

## PLAN YOUR BUDGET

It takes an average monthly budget of about **1 300 € to live comfortably in Paris**.

To allow you to compare the cost of living in Paris with that of your home city, here are a few examples of prices to give you an indication:

<b>Civil liability insurance (compulsory insurance)</b>	€25-30/semester
<b>Social Security (health insurance)</b>	As a student in France, 70% refund of your health expenses. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEpy9Xr9UKk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEpy9Xr9UKk</a>
<b>Complementary health insurance (optional)</b>	around €50/month
<b>Rent</b>	€500-900/month
<b>Renters insurance (compulsory insurance)</b>	€30-70/year
<b>Electricity, gas, water</b>	€30/month

<b>Public transportation subscription</b>	Monthly card "Navigo" (Paris region): 86,40 €/month. Imagine "R" Yearly Pass: 374.40 €, for students under 26 <a href="https://www.iledefrance-mobilites.fr/en">https://www.iledefrance-mobilites.fr/en</a>
<b>Meals at the university restaurant</b>	Starting at €3.30
<b>Dinner in a restaurant</b>	Starting at €15
<b>Groceries</b>	About €200/month
<b>Culture/Hobbies</b>	Around €200/month
<b>Telephone/Internet</b>	€20-40/month