

NON-EUROPEAN INCOMING STUDENTS

FACTSHEET
2025-2026





GENERAL INFORMATION

UNIVERSITY

Aix-Marseille University, France's largest university

Website: <https://www.univ-amu.fr/en>

▶ [Presentation video](#)

✦ [Information about exchange programs](#)

SCHOOL

ALLSH - Faculty of Arts, Humanities, Languages and Social Sciences
(ALLSH - Arts, Lettres, Langues et Sciences Humaines)

ALLSH STUDENT POPULATION

15,000 students

of which **2,000** international students

LOCATION

ALLSH is located in Aix-en-Provence and Marseille.

NOMINATIONS & APPLICATION PROCESS

> Exchange students are nominated through the International Relations Office of their home university. Once their nomination has been confirmed by AMU, an online application must be submitted by the deadlines.

> Student fill out the online application on AMU's mobility portal and submit the required documents listed.

ADMISSION

After the application has been checked and accepted, students will receive an admission letter as well as "the welcome package" with all necessary practical information.

EXCHANGE PERIODS

Fall Semester ➡ September to January

Spring Semester ➡ January to May

UNIVERSITY NOMINATION DEADLINES

FULL YEAR (FY) or FALL Semester (S1) : April 1st 2025

SPRING Semester (S2) : October 1st 2025

STUDENT APPLICATION DEADLINES

FULL YEAR (FY) or FALL Semester (S1) : April 21st 2025

SPRING Semester (S2) : October 21st 2025

EXTENSION OF STAY

Requests to extend a stay for the Spring Semester 2025 must be submitted via email no later than November 14th 2025. Please note that extensions are not allowed between the Spring 2025 and Fall 2025 Semesters due to potential visa complications.

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

> **Resume**

> **Academic transcript of records** (in French or English, with the original if translated)

> **Language certificate**: French B1 level (TCF/DELF/DALF)

> **Cover letter**

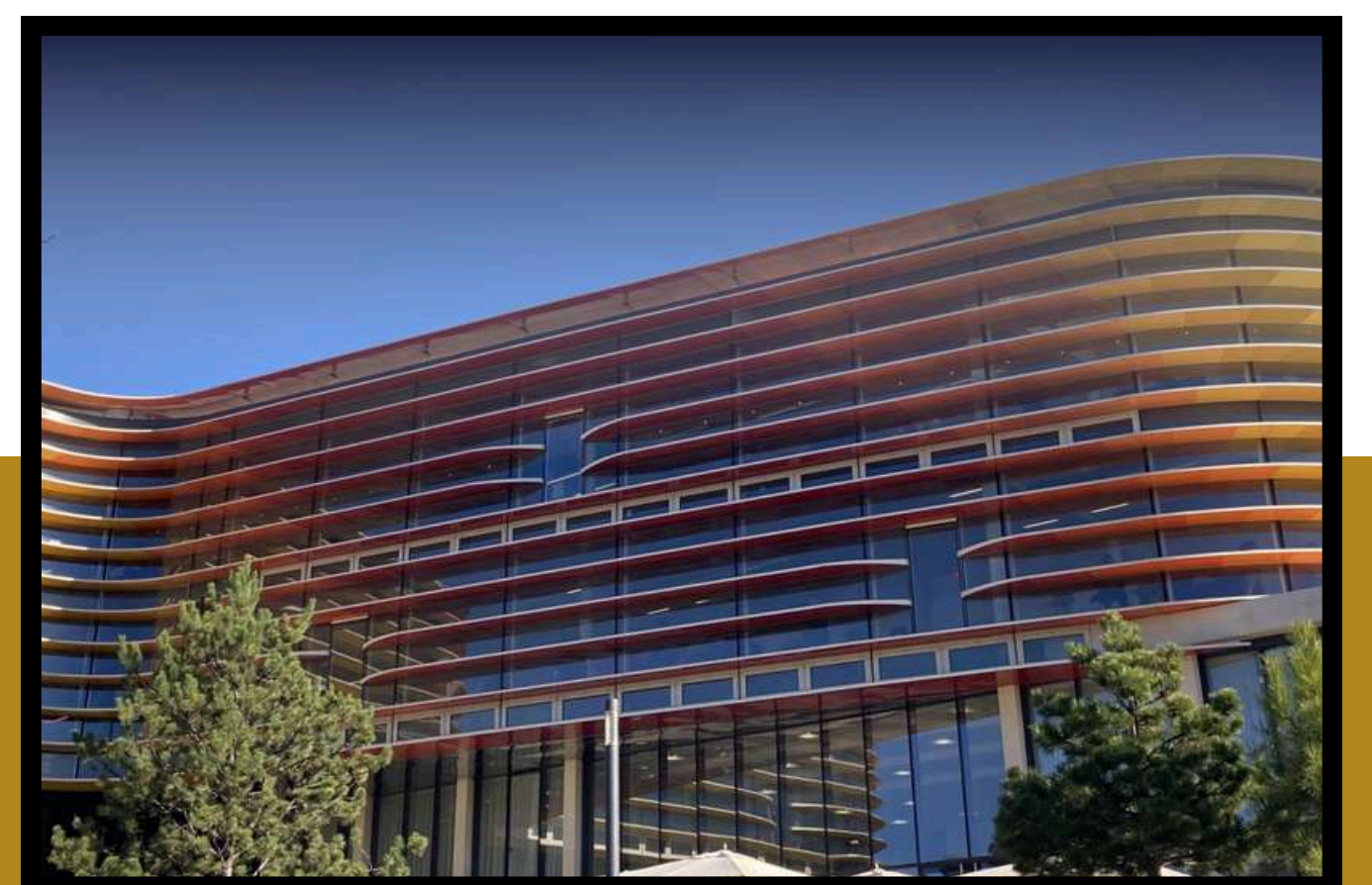
> **Learning agreement** (Study plan)

FRENCH PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

ALLSH is closed on these dates:

2025 : November 11th, December 20th to January 4th, 2026

2026 : April 6th, May 1st, May 8th, May 14th, May 25th





ACADEMIC INFORMATION

FIELD OF STUDIES

Arts departments (Cinema, theatre and music), **French departments** (Literature, classics, linguistics), **Languages departments** (over fifteen languages including Applied Foreign languages), **Humanities and Social Sciences departments** (History, History of Art and Archeology, Geography, Sociology, Philosophy, Psychology, Anthropology, Education Sciences, European Studies...).

ALLSH also offers courses specifically aimed at international exchange students, including French language courses and European society & history courses.

All incoming students must take at least one module per semester in their specific host department.

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

Most of the courses are taught in French

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

- > Level B1 in French minimum
- > Level C1 for French as a Second Language (FSL) department (Français Langue Etrangère - FLE)
- > Courses taught in English are open to English Majors only (Level C1: TOEIC/TOEFL/IELTS)

COURSE CATALOGUE

📌 [Online on ALLSH website](#)

COURSE REGISTRATION

During the application process, students will receive instructions on how to go about their course selection.

HOURS AND CREDITS PER COURSE

24, 30 or 36 hours per course per semester

From 6 to 10 hours = 1 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System)

NUMBER OF CREDITS

Minimum number: 24 ECTS per Semester

Maximum number: 30 ECTS per Semester

GRADING SCALE

- > All assessments are graded on a 0-20 scale.
- > 0 (worst) to 20 (best), 10 = pass/credit.

TIMETABLE

Classes are timetabled from Monday 8am to Friday 8pm.

EXAMS

Exams can take place during or at the end of the semester, depending on the course. Exams for the Fall Semester often take place in January.

All exam dates are definitive and non-negotiable. No alternative dates or assessments will be offered by the faculty.

FULL-TIME FRENCH COURSES AT SUL (UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE CENTER)

This full-time programme, available for one semester or a full academic year, is open to international students. Students can obtain the University Diploma in French Language and Culture (DU de langue et culture française).

Tuition fees:

- > 1 semester: 1650€ (+ additional workshops)
- > Full Year: 2800€

📌 [More information here](#)





HOUSING & ACTIVITIES

STUDENT HOUSING

Incoming exchange students have the opportunity to reserve a room at different CROUS halls of residence located in Aix-en-Provence. Students receive instructions from the International Relations team to apply when the reservation period starts.

ALTERNATIVE HOUSING

Private accommodation solutions are described in the International Student Pack.

ESTIMATED COST OF LIVING

- > Housing (included rental bond) : from 300€ (Hall of Residence) to 600€ (off-campus)
- > Food & Groceries : ≈ 300€
- > Telephone : ≈ 20€
- > Gas/Electricity : ≈ 70€
- > Transport : ≈ 28€/month (bus pass)

INSURANCE

Non-EU students must register online for the free French Health Plan on arrival in France. Students must also take out housing insurance that includes personal liability insurance.

ADDITIONAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Non-EU students are required to undergo a mandatory chest X-ray (lung screening) upon arrival in France. This is a standard health procedure to ensure compliance with French health regulations and to identify any potential health issues. Students should plan accordingly and ensure they follow the instructions provided by the International Relations Office.

VISA INFORMATION

✈️ <https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en-US/web/france-visas/student>

WELCOME ACTIVITIES

During the first semester, students have the opportunity to register for cultural and social activities and immerse themselves in campus and local life during the Integration Week. In the Spring Semester, new exchange students can register for the Integration Day to get to know each other and discover their new environment.

ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

During the semester, students can enrol in activities such as sports, cultural activities, etc.

BUDDY PROGRAM

International students can participate in the Buddy program and have a student tutor. A local student (a Buddy) will assist with university integration.

✈️ [More information here](#)

SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS

Support is offered to all students with specific needs. Please provide all official documentation in French.



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