

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018

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1. Academic calendar

- mandatory orientation week
 - the week prior to the beginning of semester 1
 - the week prior to the beginning of semester 2
- 1st semester
 - mid- September – mid-January
 - exam dates: first two weeks of January
- 2nd semester
 - mid-January – mid May
 - exam dates: mid May
- Resit exams: 1st semester : mid June
2nd semester: late June
- Semester breaks
 - Winter: two weeks from Christmas until early January
 - mid-semester: one week in February
 - Spring: one week in April

2. Admission procedure

Application deadline:

- 1st semester: 31 May
- 2nd semester: 30 November

Application documents:

- UCO application form
- Copy of passport or identity card
- EU medical card (for EU students only)

Language requirement: B2

Grading system:

- French system: marks out of 20, 10/20 being the pass mark
- ECTS system: "A" to "E", "F" being a fail

3. French language courses

- French courses offered by CIDEF – International Center for French Studies - in July and August and during the academic year (fee-paying courses)
- French classes during the semester: 1h30 per week – 4 levels from B1/B2 to C1/C2

4. Accommodation

Two options:

- Homestay
- Hall of residence

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5. Meals

- Cafeteria on campus for snacks
- University cafeteria outside the campus (restaurant universitaire, "le RU")

6. Medical Insurance

Exchange students outside the EU must take out health insurance in France if their stay exceeds three months. Students will subscribe to the health insurance when they are in France (cost: 215 € in 2016-2017).

EU students must show evidence that they hold an EU medical card

7. Visa

How to get a visa: <http://www.campusfrance.org/fr/page/les-differentes-procedures>

Non-EU students that require a visa must apply through the CEF of Campus France.

European students outside the EU will receive a letter of invitation from UCO. It is with this letter that they can obtain their visa at the French Embassy

8. Angers, ma ville

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