Inalco
Fact Sheet – 2024 / 2025

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL SEMESTER
• Orientation day: September 12th, 2024
• Classes: September 16th to December 23rd, 2024
• Exam period: January 6th to 23rd, 2025

SPRING SEMESTER
(Dates TBC)
• Orientation day: January 24th, 2025
• Classes: January 27th to May 16th, 2025
• Exam period: May 19th to June 6th, 2025
• Repeat session: June 24th to July 9th, 2025

NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES

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FALL & SPRING SEMESTER:
• Nomination: March 1st – March 31st, 2024
• Application: April 4th – April 30th, 2024

A second campaign may be organized at the following dates if necessary
• Nomination: September 9th – October 6th, 2024
• Application: October 10th – November 1st, 2024

NOMINATION PROCESS
Partner universities will receive a short online nomination form to be filled out once per nominated student.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Nominated students will receive instructions on how to apply by e-mail. They will have to submit an online application form with an ID photo, a photocopy of their passport/national ID and a French language test or certificate (see below for further details).

Additional documents for students interested in taking courses from Inalco’s Professional Tracks (minimum French proficiency required: C1)
• CV (written in French or in English)
• Cover Letter (written in French)
• English language test/certificate (minimum B2)
Exchange students can select courses from four different categories, according to their individual needs and French proficiency level. Please note that all courses are taught in French.

**Language and Civilisation courses** – French B1 level achieved
These courses refer to teaching in language-area studies. Please note that:
- Korean studies department – all courses are closed to exchange students
- Japanese studies department
  - Courses from the 1st year of bachelor degree are closed
  - Students wishing to take courses from the 2nd year of Bachelor degree must have a JLPT N3 with a minimum grade of 120/180
  - Students wishing to take courses from the 3rd year of Bachelor degree must have a JLPT N2
- Russian, Arabic and Chinese studies departments – Full beginner classes are closed to exchange students. Students wishing to take courses from these departments must attest that they previously studied the language for about 200 hours.

**Thematic and Disciplinary courses** – French B1/B2 level achieved
Exchange students with at least an intermediate level in French (B2 recommended) can enrol in courses which focus on examining phenomena through a cross-national lens.
- Anthropology
- World art
- Global political issues
- Environment
- Gender and sexuality in the world
- Connected world history
- Linguistics
- Literature, arts and translation
- Orality
- Philosophies from elsewhere
- Religion Violence, migration, memory

Please note that access to Inalco’s thematic and disciplinary courses is subject to final approval by the teachers. Students should therefore confirm their admission to the course with the teachers during the first week of classes.

**Professional Track courses** – French C1 level achieved (+B2 in English)
- International Trade
- International Relations
- Intercultural Communication
- Language Didactics
- Texts, Informatics and Multilingualism

Please note that access to Inalco’s Professional Track courses is competitive and subject to final approval from an admission committee. Furthermore, Inalco’s Professional Track courses is only available for students staying one entire academic year (from September to July)

**French Language courses** (Inal’FLE) – no minimum, full beginners accepted
Inalco offers French as a Foreign Language courses. All proficiency levels are available from A1 (full beginner) to C1 (advanced).

Please note that a French language test will be sent to all incoming students before their arrival at Inalco, regardless of the courses they decide to take. Its results will determine the group level to which the student will be registered at Inalco, regardless of other results from DELF/DALF exams.

**Transcripts**
Transcripts will be sent to students by e-mail 3 weeks after the end of the exchange program.
- A full semester workload is 30 ECTS.
- The grades scale ranges from 0 to 20, 10 being the minimum grade to pass a module.

**Accepted Language Tests**
- DELF/DALF
- TCF
- Certificate issued by your home university stating your level of French and/or English language
**HOUSING**

Inalco works with external residences (CIUP/CROUS/ALJT), located within the Paris city limits, to provide exchange students with student housing. Prices range from €420 to €620, or about half of the average price of housing on the private market. However, please note that housing cannot be guaranteed, especially during the Fall semester.

Students wishing to apply for one of these residences must include this information in their online application form.

**COST OF LIVING**

Taking into account food, accommodation, transport, leisure, etc. the cost of living in France can be high, especially in Paris. Each student's budget depends highly on their lifestyle, however the average estimated monthly budget is 900€ - 1500€.

**HEALTH INSURANCE**

**EU students**: EU students must get a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), covering them during their whole stay in France. For a full coverage, it is recommended to subscribe to additional health insurance.

**Non-EU students**:  
- Non-EU students must get, before departure, an international health insurance covering them during their whole stay in France.  
- In addition to this international health insurance, it is highly recommended to register to the French Social Security (free of charge): [https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/](https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/)

**VISA**

- **EU students** do not need a visa.  
- **Non-EU students** will have to apply for a visa: please contact the nearest French Embassy or Consulate to get all the corresponding details.