

Whether you want to apply for a degree programme or just get your student visa after being admitted to a degree, exchange or study abroad programme, you only need to use one platform: "Etudes en France"!

Any questions? Reach out to us directly at your local Campus France office: Recherche par géolocalisation | Campus France

How do I apply for a VISA to study in France?

Once you've been accepted onto a degree course, exchange programme or intensive French language course, your host institution in France will send you a letter of acceptance/admission. Once you've received it, you can start the visa application procedure.

## Which visa should I apply for?

If your stay is longer than 3 months (90 days), you will need a visa. British citizens are allowed to stay in France without a visa for up to 90 days within an 180-day period. If you are not a British citizen, use our visa wizard to see if you need one. If you are a EU or French citizen, you don't need a visa.

A long-stay student visa (VLS-TS) is compulsory if you fit one of those categories:

- I have been accepted onto a degree programme in France;
- I am doing a PhD without a work contract;
- I have been accepted onto a French intensive course (FLE programmes);
- I am doing a study placement (exchange, double degree, study abroad) for a semester or a year;
  - If you are also doing a work placement in addition to your study placement, upload your internship agreement during the procedure;
    - If you are only doing a work placement, then you should apply for a <u>student trainee visa</u> (you don't need to complete the Etudes en France process).



Even if you're supposed to stay for longer than a year, **your first student visa will only last for the duration of your first year of study**. Then, you can apply for a temporary student residence card (valid for 1 year) or a multiannual student residence card (valid for 2 to 4 years). You are subject to resource requirements. In some cases, the residence permit can be issued automatically. For more information, check out **How to renew your residence permit (***Titre de séjour*)?

#### **Documents & Procedure**

To apply for a visa, you will need:

- 1. **Passport** (Valid for the duration of the mobility + 3 months)
- 2. ID Photograph
- 3. **CV + Diploma or Proof of Enrollment** (Any document allowing us to review your academic background)
- 4. **Admission Letter** from your French institution (and once reviewed by Campus France, the **EEF Certificate**)
- 5. (From step 2) **Proof of Accommodation** (at least the first three weeks of stay): Hotel reservation, rental agreement, sworn statement/undertaking from the host.
- 6. (From step 2) **Proof of Financial Means of Support** (615€ x the number of months of your visa): Bank statements, Proof of scholarship (if applicable), Letter from sponsor with ID and supporting documents (if applicable), proof of health insurance cover.



The procedure is divided into 3 steps:

# If you are from one of the following 70 countries you should follow the Etudes En France procedure:

Afrique du Sud, Algérie, Arabie Saoudite, Argentine, Arménie, Azerbaïdjan, Bahreïn, Bénin, Bolivie, Brésil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodge, Cameroun, Canada, Chili, Chine, Colombie, Comores, Congo, Corée du Sud, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Émirats arabes unis, Égypte, Equateur, États-Unis, Ethiopie, Gabon, Géorgie, Ghana, Guinée, Haïti, Hong-Kong, Inde, Indonésie, Iran, Israël, Japon, Jordanie, Kenya, Koweït, Liban, Madagascar, Malaisie, Mali, Maroc, Maurice, Mauritanie, Mexique, Népal, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Pérou, Qatar, République démocratique du Congo, République dominicaine, Royaume-Uni, Russie, Sénégal, Singapour, Taïwan, Tchad, Thaïlande, Togo, Tunisie, Turquie, Ukraine, Vietnam.

If you are not, you need to do everything, except Steps 1 & 2

#### STEP 1

Register on the "<u>Etudes en France</u>" platform and follow the "**VISA**" **process**. If you applied to a programme on Etudes en France, use the same account.

# Fee: £110 except if:

- 1. you benefit from an Erasmus+ grant or a French government grant (exempt),
- 2. if you hold a French or International baccalauréat (exempt),
- 3. if you take part in the Taith programme (exempt),
- 4. if you take part in the Turing programme (£55),
- if you have successfully applied via the EEF application procedure (fee already paid)



During this process you will be asked to enter the name of your school: English Path SAS and the location: Paris. Our school does not appear in the directory, you will have to add the school manually following these steps.

The images may not look identical on the platform for your country.

<ol> <li>Select 'it's not in the directory'</li> </ol>	2. Enter the information	3. Click ok and the information is saved.
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	Ville * : Paris	Projet d'étude principal Acceptation reçue en dehors de l'application Etudes en France (Formation Français Langue Etrangère) English Path SAS English Path, Paris

#### STEP 2

Fill in a visa request on the <u>France-Visas</u> platform (see below for the type of visa you need to require). You will be asked to provide your **EEF number, which is a number given during the "Etudes en France" process.** More information on this process, including the necessary documents: <u>france-visas.gouv.fr</u>

Fee: **50€** (except for Erasmus+ students)

### STEP 3

Book an appointment in a <u>TLS Center</u> to deposit your biometrics. The appointment must be booked early if possible within the limit of the three months ahead of the programme. You will hand over your passport at the TLS center, and they will send it to the French Consulate, which will keep it for <u>up to 3 weeks</u> before sending it back to you. Make sure you haven't made plans to leave the country!

Fee: May vary

Make sure to follow those steps in that order to avoid any setbacks.