

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

## Preparing Your Arrival in France Cost of Living Information

TO PREPARE FOR YOUR INSTALLATION AND YOUR YEAR AT UNIVERSITY AND TO AVOID ANY DISAPPOINTMENT, CHECK THE COST OF LIVING ON YOUR CAMPUS !



The resources required to obtain a VISA have been calculated to allow you to successfully complete a year of study in France. Student accommodations are in high demand in the Paris region; having savings will greatly facilitate the process of dealing with landlords.

Declaring resources that you don't have means taking the risk of being homeless.  
A student job depends on the procedures with the prefecture (it can take several months).

### ACCOMMODATION

#### RENTAL ACCOMMODATION

- ▶ Student rooms: between €300 and €550 / month
- ▶ Studios / apartments : from €350 / month

Having a monthly income reassures the landlord and makes it easier to find a rental



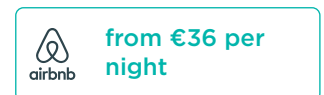
Condition varies according to the type of accommodation (furnished or not)

- ▶ Charges not included (water / electricity / gas)
- ▶ Booking fees / file
- ▶ Security deposit (1 to 2 months rent excluding charges) + deposit to be provided
- ▶ Insurance (civil liability) from €5 / month

#### TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION



Must be of short duration or your savings will be greatly affected



Additional services (catering, private access...)



Staying with a relative can be a temporary solution (be sure you can count on your host so you don't find yourself in trouble).



Transportation time in the Île-de-France region is also a variable to be taken into consideration. It takes an average of 1 hour to travel.

### COSTS

#### MONTHLY COSTS



Transportation  
from 21 to 84€



Telephone from €9  
Internet from 25€

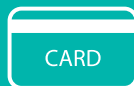


Health  
Insurance\*  
from 8€

#### ANNUAL COSTS (EXCLUDING DAILY COSTS)



Bachelor : €170  
Master : €243  
Engineer : €601  
PhD : €380



Opening of a Bank  
Account  
Variable Costs  
Fees vary depending  
on the bank  
from €10 to €150



Potential  
Hardware  
Purchase  
from €300

### FOOD



From €50 to €70 per week  
3 meals / day



€3.30

Cost of a meal at the university  
restaurant

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## ATTENTION

- ▶ Depending on your nationality, **you may need to request a work permit from the DIRRECTE** if you are concerned and wish to work.
- ▶ **you Health-related training** private prep schools are not mandatory (beware of scams). Free tutoring can be offered by student associations at UVSQ.
- ▶ You must apply for the renewal of your residence permit **2 months before its expiration**.

## EXAMPLE









### 1 MASTER STUDENT WHO DID NOT SUFFICIENTLY PREPARE THEIR ARRIVAL

 September	 No Accommodation	 €6,500	 1 month hotel stay €70 / night = €2,100	 Bank Account Opening Fees : €50
 €243 + €100 = €343 / year	 €38/month	 €20/month	 €150/month	

▶ **Expenses after one month = €2,701 (1/3 of their initial budget).**

A few days later, they was offered a place to live, but their financial capacity had deteriorated because of their expenses related to their arrival; other candidates might have higher guarantees.

### 2 MASTER STUDENT WHO PROPERLY PREPARED THEIR ARRIVAL

 Standing Order Certificate = €615 / month	 Student Accommodation Online Application en ligne Security Deposit = €180 -1st Rent = 430€ -Insurance = €5	 3 nights* €40 / night = €210	 Bank Account Opening Fees : €50
 €243 + €100 = €343 / year	 €38/month	 €20/month	 €150/month

▶ **Expenses after one month = €1,426 (1/6 of their initial budget).**

They can focus on their studies without having to worry about finding student accommodation.

## USEFUL TOOLS

### CAMPUS FRANCE

You will find a lot of useful information [www.caf.fr](http://www.caf.fr) to prepare your arrival in France on Campus France website.

- ▶ [www.campusfrance.org/fr](http://www.campusfrance.org/fr)

### WELCOME DESK UNIVERSITÉ PARIS-SACLAY

- ▶ [www.internationalsupport.universite-paris-saclay.fr/](http://www.internationalsupport.universite-paris-saclay.fr/)

### HOUSING PLATFORMS

- ▶ Accommodation Housing Platform Université Paris-Saclay [www.casa.universite-paris-saclay.fr](http://www.casa.universite-paris-saclay.fr)
- ▶ [www.uvsq.studapart.com/fr](http://www.uvsq.studapart.com/fr)
- ▶ [www.lokaviz.fr](http://www.lokaviz.fr)
- ▶ [www.sqy.lokaviz.fr](http://www.sqy.lokaviz.fr)

### STUDENT NATIONAL PLATFORM

- ▶ [www.messervices.etudiant.gouv.fr](http://www.messervices.etudiant.gouv.fr)

### HOUSING BENEFIT

- ▶ [www.caf.fr](http://www.caf.fr)

### COVERAGE OF HEALTH CARE EXPENSES

- ▶ [www.ameli.fr](http://www.ameli.fr)

### REFERENCES

- Guide to Student Paris-Saclay
- Guide to Student Accommodation UVSQ

