

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND RESEARCHERS: FRANCE WELCOMES YOU!

France has done everything to help you reach your host institution safely. Depending on your country of origin and your vaccination status, the procedures that apply when entering France may vary. We recommend that you get fully vaccinated before leaving your country to make it easier to enter and live in France.

HOW CAN I COME TO FRANCE?

Countries have been classified based on various health indicators. The lists of countries, travel statuses and required certifications are available in French and English on the French Ministry of the Interior's website:

<https://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Actualites/L-actu-du-Ministere/Attestation-de-deplacement-et-de-voyage>

These lists may be updated. See the website for the most recent version.

	Proof of full vaccination	Documented compelling reason	Certifications to be provided	Test required when boarding	Test required on arrival	Isolation/quarantine measures
Coming from a "green" country		∅	Sworn statement	Depending on the country of origin, negative PCR or antigen test <48h *	Random PCR or antigen test	∅
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Coming from an "orange" country		∅	Sworn statement	Depending on the country of origin, negative PCR or antigen test <48h	Random PCR or antigen test	∅
		List of compelling reasons	Sworn statement	Depending on the country of origin, negative PCR or antigen test <48h ***	Random PCR or antigen test	Self-isolate for 7 days and test at the end of the period
Coming from a "red" country		∅	Sworn statement International travel certificate	Depending on the country of origin, negative PCR or antigen test <48h	Random PCR or antigen test	∅
		List of compelling reasons	Sworn statement International travel certificate Proof of accommodations	Depending on the country of origin, negative PCR or antigen test <48h	PCR or antigen test always required	Mandatory 10-day quarantine with restricted time away, controlled by the authorities
Coming from a "scarlet" country	Regardless of the vaccination status, stays in France for study or research are currently not permitted					

 Vaccinated  Unvaccinated

* Except for arrivals from a European Union Member State (except Italy), Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, San Marino, Holy See or Switzerland.

** Negative PCR or antigen test < 24hrs for arrivals from a European Union Member State, Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, San Marino, Holy See or Switzerland.

*** Negative PCR or antigen test < 24hrs for the United Kingdom.

CERTIFICATIONS TO BE PROVIDED WHEN BOARDING AND ON ARRIVAL IN FRANCE:

- **Proof of vaccination:** A certificate demonstrating full vaccination with the necessary doses, received 7 days since the administration of a second dose of the other vaccines recognised by the European Medicines Agency (Pfizer/Comirnaty, Moderna, AstraZeneca/Vaxzevria/Covishield) and, for the people for received all the necessary doses of a vaccines authorised by the WHO, but not recognised by the European Medicines Agency, 7 days since the administration of an additional messenger RNA vaccine that is so recognised.
- **Proof of accommodations:** Documentation showing the full address where you are staying after arriving in France.
- **Sworn statement:** A statement certifying that you do not have any symptoms of Covid-19 and that you have not been in close contact with anyone with Covid-19 within the 14 days prior to departure. The statement should also indicate, depending on the country, that you agree to undergo screenings on arrival and that you agree to self-isolate for a given period of time.
- **International travel certificate:** A certificate stating that your travel to France is due to a compelling reason. It should be accompanied by supporting documents.

LIST OF COMPELLING REASONS FOR “ORANGE” AND “RED” COUNTRIES:

- Student enrolled in French as a Foreign Language (FLE) courses prior to enrollment in higher education
- Student admitted to oral examinations to enter French higher education institutions
- Student enrolled in a higher education institution (including FLE) for the 2021–2022 academic year
- Researcher or teacher (including a language assistant) moving to France, at the invitation of a research laboratory or higher education institution, for research or teaching activities requiring a physical presence, along with their partner (married, civil partner, or cohabiting partner with proof of partnership) and their children.

For more information, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ComingToFrance>

You can also find information through the French Consulate or the Campus France office in your country of residence.

PREPARING FOR YOUR ARRIVAL IN FRANCE

VACCINATION

Approved vaccines for entering France are those recognized by the European Medicines Agency (Comirnaty/Pfizer, Moderna, Vaxveria/AstraZeneca, and Janssen) and [foreign vaccines similar to those authorized in Europe](#).

Please get fully vaccinated with a vaccine recognized by France before your departure.

If you are unable to be vaccinated before coming to France, you will be offered an opportunity to get vaccinated as soon as possible after your arrival, in conjunction with Social Security and your host institution, especially if you come from a country in the red zone.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Students coming from a “red” country must join the social security system before arriving in France. You will have to finalize this affiliation once in France by sending your school certificate to the Caisse primaire d'assurance maladie (Sickness Insurance Primary Fund). This will enable you to get a vaccination slot more quickly if you are not vaccinated.

For all other students, please join Social Security as soon as possible after you arrive, so that you can benefit from the French healthcare system.

Register online on:

<https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/>

QUARANTINE AND ACCOMMODATIONS

If you are required to self-isolate after arriving:



Stay home as much as possible



Avoid contact with others



Wear a mask if you are living with others



Monitor your temperature



Report any symptoms to a doctor immediately



Notify your host in advance so that they can take appropriate measures (disinfecting, etc.)

For unvaccinated individuals from “red” countries, this quarantine period is mandatory and monitored by the health authorities.

VISA

Validate your long-stay visa serving as a residence permit (VLS-TS) after you arrive at the French Ministry of the Interior's website:

<https://administration-etrangers-en-france.interieur.gouv.fr/>

This quick and easy process guarantees you a regular stay in France to complete your planned studies or research.

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