

Francophonie

BIENVENUE

In 1880, French geographer Onesime Reclus coined the term 'francophonie' to refer to all peoples and countries that spoke French. When written with a lower case 'f', it refers to French-language speakers, while 'Francophonie' in upper case is used to describe the institutional framework that guides relations among French-speaking countries.

Some 321 million people around the world use French in international organisations, professional associations, writer collectives, bookshops, universities, media houses, the courtroom, NGOs and, of course, the classroom.

Institutional Francophonie is represented through the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie, whose role is to promote the French language and develop co-operation among the 88 member countries and observers.

There are many francophonie programmes available. These include French literature, linguistics, French for specific purposes, education, French as a foreign language, francophone cultures, French civilisation, interculturality and multilingualism, international relations and diplomacy.

Programmes in francophonie can be found within university departments dedicated to the arts, literature, social sciences and the humanities, law, economics and management (particularly those with programmes in international relations, international co-operation, linguistics, education, literature, etc.). Specific programmes on the Francophonie institutions are available at the master's level in both the standard and continuing education format.

- **321** million French speakers in the world
- **132** million people learning and studying in French

- **93** million people use French as a language of education
- **51** million people learning French as a foreign language
- **5th** most spoken language in the world

- **4th** leading language used on the internet
- **3rd** most spoken language of business
- **2nd** most popular language in international organisations

Source: Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) - www.francophonie.org

International

A number of organisations promote francophonie around the globe, including an international French network:

> The Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie, with 1,000 member universities in more than 120 countries.
www.auf.org

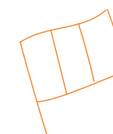
> The Association Internationale des Régions Francophones brings together over 190 regional authorities and national associations from the member regions of 22 Francophonie countries.
www.regions-francophones.org

> France Alumni is a network of nearly 380,000 members, 500 institutions, 200 companies and 65 partner organisations. 134 country sites have been opened in 34 languages. 36 of the country sites are members of the OIF.
www.francealumni.fr

> FUN MOOC: a catalogue of MOOCs organised by more than 80 institutions.
www.fun-mooc.fr

> The Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie manages an institutional framework for the promotion of the French language and the development of co-operation among 88 countries.
www.francophonie.org

> The Campus France network has 275 locations that are dependent on French Embassies in 134 countries.
<https://www.campusfrance.org/en/espaces>



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FIELDS

- Art • Economics
- Education • Humanities
- Languages • Law
- Literature • Social sciences

Useful links

- Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF): www.auf.org
- Alliances Françaises: www.fondation-alliancefr.org
- International Association of Francophone Mayors (Association internationale des maires francophones, AIMF): www.aimf.asso.fr
- Association Internationale des Régions Francophones (AIRF): www.regions-francophones.com
- Campus FLE – Association for the Directors of University Centres Teaching French as a Foreign Language (ADCUEFE): www.campus-fle.fr
- National Centre for Remote Education (Centre national d'enseignement à distance, CNED): www.cned.fr
- Summer schools and short programmes: <http://ecolesdete.campusfrance.org>
- International Federation of French Teachers (Fédération internationale des professeurs de français, FIPF): <http://fipf.org>
- Le Français dans le monde: www.fdlm.org
- Franc-Parler: www.francparler-oif.org
- France Alumni: www.francealumni.fr
- Institut Français: www.institutfrancais.com
- International Institute for Francophonie (Institut International de la Francophonie, 2IF): <https://2if.universite-lyon.fr>
- The National Audiovisual Institute (INA): www.ina.fr
- Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF): www.francophonie.org
- Radio France internationale (RFI): www.rfi.fr
- TV5 Monde: www.tv5monde.com

LEVEL Bachelor's

DIPLOMA IN FRENCH LANGUAGE STUDIES (DELF) DIPLOMA IN ADVANCED FRENCH LANGUAGE STUDIES (DALF)

1 TO 2 YEARS OF STUDY – L1 - L2

The **DELF** and **DALF** are nationally and internationally recognised diplomas that follow the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. These diplomas can be awarded by universities, language departments, French language centres and the National Centre for Remote Education (CNED). Training is available in nearly 1,200 exam centres in France and in 173 countries. Interested candidates are to contact their nearest exam centre directly for registration (high schools, language schools, university centres, Instituts Français, Alliance Française, etc.).

DELF - DALF :

<https://www.france-education-international.fr/en/hub/diplomes-tests>

UNIVERSITY DIPLOMAS IN FRENCH STUDIES

1 YEAR OF STUDY – L1 - L2

University diplomas in French studies (**DUEF**) are offered by some 40 university centres teaching French as a foreign language. The diplomas range from the B2, C1 and C2 levels of the European framework for languages. The DUEFs are recognised by French universities and can be used to justify candidates' level of French for bachelor's and master's programmes.

Campus FLE:

www.campus-fle.fr/fr/formations-diplomes-fle/les-diplomes-fle

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

NATIONAL DIPLOMA – 3 YEARS OF STUDY – L3

180 ECTS credits*

A number of programmes are available in the fields of **art, literature and languages**:

- > Languages, literature, foreign and regional civilisations, French as a foreign language, language education and teaching French as a foreign language, teaching French as a second language;
- > Language and literature with a specialisation in teaching French as a foreign Language;
- > Linguistics with specialisations in French as a foreign language, French sign language or theoretical and applied linguistics

www.campusfrance.org > Students > Studying in France > Find your programme

LEVEL Master's

MASTER'S DEGREES

NATIONAL DIPLOMA – 5 YEARS OF STUDY – M2
120 ECTS credits*

French universities offer a diverse range of graduate level francophonie programmes:

• French as a foreign language:

- Teaching French as a foreign language and francophonie; programme development in plural contexts;
- French as a foreign and second language (FLE/S): ownership, diversity and integration; FLE/S: francophonie, interculturality, languages, education and sociolinguistics; FLE/S: plurality, interculturality, language policies; FLE/S: sociolinguistics, language education and quality.

• History:

- **Francophonie and Multilingualism:** Politics of Language Graduate School;

• Foreign and regional languages, literatures and civilisations:

- Languages, literature and cultures in an international context – Francophonie and Multilingualism: Politics of Language Graduate School – FRAPP (English, German, Spanish);
- Writing and translation.

• Literature:

- Creative writing;
- Literature and business: professional writing;
- Language and literature: French language, French literature, comparative literature, francophonie;
- Language and literature for international students, international specialization in French studies;
- Linguistics and stylistics of literary texts;
- Literature at the Francophonie and Multilingualism: Politics of Language Graduate School;
- Literature, discourse and francophonie (research-based);
- Writing and translation (professional track).

• Literature and creative writing:

- Literature and creative writing;
- Literature and social sciences;
- Literature, francophonie and creative writing.

• Philosophy:

- Culture and identity at the Francophonie and Multilingualism: Politics of Language Graduate School;

• International relations:

- Francophonie and the ecological transition;
- Francophonie, cultural development and linguistics;
- Francophonie, international relations and strategy;
- Prevention and management of risks and crises in the francophone world.

• **Education** – Diversity, education and francophonie.

• **Linguistics** – Francophonie, multilingualism and intercultural mediation.

• **Art, literature and languages:** acultural studies, applied foreign languages, literature, French as a foreign language, language and literature, linguistics, and many specialisations: **francophonie and interculturality**; intercultural relations and international co-operation (with a focus on Africa and the Arab world, Latin America, Asia, or Francophonie); language and literature (with a focus on the French language, French literature, comparative literature or francophonie); language and literature for international students; specialisation in French studies; literature, discourse and francophonie; writing and translation; francophonie,

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multilingualism and intercultural mediation; universal French studies; language and literature; literature, culture and business; learning and teaching French as a foreign language; French and francophone studies; creative writing; literature applied to professional writing; language and literature (with a focus on French, French literature, comparative literature or francophonie); language and literature for international students; linguistics and stylistics of literary texts; discourse, culture and media; gender studies and **francophone literature**; French language and literature.

European Master's in Literature (research-based) with a specialisation in **French and francophone studies**: Sorbonne Nouvelle University (Paris 3) – www.univ-paris3.fr

• **Law, economics and management** with an international relations component: francophonie and culture; francophonie and sustainable development; francophonie and international relations; francophonie, new economies and the social economy; management of international, inter-governmental and non-governmental programmes; international relations and diplomacy; international security and defence.

• **Humanities and social sciences** – Diversity, education and francophonie.

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FRANCOFONIE (2IF) – Lyon

Headquartered at Université de Lyon, the International Institute for Francophonie (*Institut International de la Francophonie*, 2IF) aims to study, comprehend and promote Francophonie. Its objectives are:

- > to provide training on Francophonie's institutions;
- > to conduct research on Francophonie and its attractiveness;
- > to reflect on and plan for digital innovations for Francophonie.

The Institute offers a range of specialised programmes on francophonie and international relations:

Master's programmes:

- > Francophonie, cultural development and linguistics;
- > Francophonie and the ecological transition;
- > Prevention and management of risks and crises in the francophone world;
- > Francophonie, international relations and strategy.

Two university diplomas (Bac+4 level):

- > University Diploma in Francophonie and Sustainable Development;
- > University Diploma in Francophonie and Diplomacy.

Since 2003, the International Institute for Francophonie has held francophone summer school courses at Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3 in partnership with the AIRF and the OIF. These five-day courses take place from the end of June to the beginning of July.

Courses are taught by academics and professionals. Students will be able to:

- > learn about the history of Francophonie, its principles, objectives, governing bodies and the many programmes;
- > learn about the decentralisation models, their rationales and principles, the legal and institutional aspects, as well as their impacts on economic, social and cultural development;
- > share best practices on decentralised co-operation: finding partners, identifying areas of co-operation, drafting agreements, creating action plans, implementation strategies, and monitoring and evaluation.

International Institute for Francophonie:

<https://2if.universite-lyon.fr> > **Formation**