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BURGUNDY

Come and discover, in the very heart of Europe, a region rich in history and boasting a centuries-old heritage. With its flourishing architectural past, art and gastronomy, the whole spectrum of French culture is represented here, a fitting background for our world-famous Burgundy wines.

DIJON

The historical capital, a mere 1h40 train-ride from Paris, is also a modern university town and a thriving economic centre for the region.

THE UNIVERSITY

On the campus of the University of Burgundy, 27.000 students are offered a full range of higher education courses. Associated with partner establishments all over the world, through the exchange of students and professors, the University of Burgundy is a centre for teaching and research in numerous domains.

THE CIEF

Our Centre for French Studies has been part of this environment for over a century now. Every year we welcome more than 1500 students and teachers from all around the globe, introducing them to our language and culture, preparing them for their future university courses or helping them complete their training as language teachers.

Our highly-experienced faculty and staff, as well as facilities for providing both training and accommodation, are available all the year round for regular classes as well as for intensive courses.

We look forward to welcoming you and we shall endeavour to make your stay in Burgundy as enjoyable and as profitable as possible.

Sophie Béjean,
President of the University of Burgundy



The CIEF : Learning French in the heart of Burgundy!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

General information

STUDENTS

The courses offered by the CIEF are open to adults aged 18 and over (for under-age students, please consult us for our special conditions).

Minimum academic requirement: proof of completion of secondary education (baccalaureat or equivalent).

ORGANIZATION

Placement tests are held at the beginning of each session.

Classes take place on the campus of the University of Burgundy.

The teaching staff, all specialists in French as a foreign language, are present from the day you arrive to look after your orientation.

The administrative staff are available to help you with all questions concerning your stay in Dijon, your studies and accommodation.

ASSESSMENT

For all our courses, whatever the length, assessment of students' progress is organized through regular tests, and final examinations.

CERTIFICATES - DIPLOMAS

A certificate indicating the level followed, the number of tuition hours and course description, and a record of attendance is issued at the end of the course. ECTS Credit Allocation.

Certain courses lead to specific university or national diplomas.

MEDIA CENTER

Situated in the University's central administration building, the CIEF's media center provides specially designed individual study facilities for students who can also obtain advice and guidance from the librarian.

RESOURCES INCLUDE:

- teaching manuals, audiovisual learning methods, self-correction exercises, reference books, newspapers, general reading.
- video learning material, films, documentaries.
- past examination papers.

EQUIPMENT :

- Audio and video booths...

INTERNET

Additional computers, for word-processing and internet and e-mail access, are available, free of charge, in multimedia rooms on the campus. WIFI available.

COURSES

The CIEF offers a choice of courses throughout the year :

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INTENSIVE COURSES

Intensive courses

SUMMER COURSES - INTENSIVE ACADEMIC YEAR COURSES

These are intensive courses which take place throughout the year and are designed for non-native French speakers wishing to learn or improve their knowledge of French.

GENERAL ORGANIZATION

An orientation test on the first day of the session determines the level of each student who is then placed in the appropriate group.

All classes begin on the second day.

Classes take place from Monday to Friday on the campus of the University of Burgundy.

ORGANIZATION OF TEACHING

Number of hours: between 20 and 25 each week (depending on the level and the options followed).

Tuition includes language classes and workshops, lectures on subjects of general cultural interest, and a variety of optional courses.

Teaching is based on up-to-date language-learning methods and original documentary material bringing students into contact with French life and culture.



ASSESSMENT – CERTIFICATES – DIPLOMAS

Students' progress is monitored through continuous assessment based on assignments, tests and examinations. At the end of the session, a certificate is issued, indicating the level followed, and the results obtained, together with a record of attendance.

PERIODS

SUMMER COURSES : june – july – august – september

INTENSIVE COURSES : academic year - october to may

Semester courses

SEMESTER COURSES

SUMMER (JUNE) – FALL (OCTOBER) – SPRING (FEBRUARY)

The CIEF offers semester courses throughout the year: Summer (June to September), Fall (October to January), and Spring (February to May). These courses are designed for beginners as well as for all those wishing to extend and improve their knowledge of French.

GENERAL ORGANIZATION

Each semester lasts 15 weeks.

The first week begins with an orientation test to determine students' level, and continues with guided tours of the university campus and the town, as well as excursions, conferences and cultural activities.

Classes are held over 13 weeks. The final week is set aside for examinations.

ORGANIZATION OF TEACHING

Levels: Beginners to Advanced

The courses follow the levels defined by the Council of Europe :

A1 Breakthrough A2 Waystage B1 Threshold B2 Vantage

C1 Effective Opérational Proficiency C2 Mastery

Number of hours: between 20 and 25 each week (depending on the level and the options followed)

Language classes and workshops (compulsory at all levels)

Lectures on subjects of general cultural interest (compulsory for diploma courses)

Optional courses

University courses in different Faculties of the University of Burgundy (during the fall and spring semesters)

The language classes and workshops use up-to-date language-learning methods and original documentary material.

Students are provided with full details of the lectures and optional courses at the beginning of each semester. Subjects include :

History, Literature, Philosophy, Economics, Politics, Art ...

WORKSHOPS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

A program of social and cultural activities is organized providing a complement to classroom learning :

- French songs,
- Drama,
- Films,
- University clubs...



Diplomas

DIPLOMAS – EXAMINATION CENTER

Examination center

ASSESSMENT – CERTIFICATES – DIPLOMAS

At each level, continuous assessment is organized, based on assignments, tests and examinations.

For some diploma courses, a certain number of options will be required.

Students who obtain advanced level diplomas may apply for admission to the second year in the university French department.

ADCUEFE DIPLOMAS

The ADCUEFE is a network of university centers which have established a charter and a series of examinations guaranteeing mobility to students across the network. The aim of the diplomas is to facilitate the integration of students into university departments.

CIEF CLASSES	CECR *	ADCUEFE DIPLOMA
1	A1 Breakthrough	Certificat Pratique de Langue Française Diplôme d'Etudes Françaises Diplôme Avancé d'Etudes Françaises Diplôme Supérieur d'Etudes Françaises
2	A2 Waystage	
3	B1 Threshold	
4	B2 Vantage	
5	C1 Effective Operational Proficiency	
6	C2 Mastery	

* Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

EXAMINATION CENTER

The CIEF is also an official examination center for the following diplomas :

National diplomas

- Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française (DELF)
- Diplôme Approfondi de Langue Française (DALF)
 - DELF : (Units A1, A2, B1, B2)
 - DALF : (Units C1, C2)

Two sessions : December and May.

CCIP diplomas

- Diplôme de français des affaires (1^{er} degré) – DFA1
- Diplôme de français des affaires (2^e degré) – DFA2
- Certificat de français du tourisme et de l'hôtellerie – CFTH

Sessions on request

SPECIAL COURSES

Special courses

TEACHERS' SEMINARS

The courses are designed for teachers of French as a foreign language, both native and non-native speakers, who are confronted with different situations (classes of varying ability, second-language learning, adult learners, French for special interests). The seminars offer the study of a variety of methods, including the most up-to-date approaches, as well as teaching materials and aids.

Each seminar is organized around a week of classes with lectures, workshops and round tables.

A program of cultural and leisure activities is also available (guided visits, excursions, films, entertainments).

Number of hours: 25

Choice of seminars : FFL Methodology
Teaching Material Production
IT and the FFL class
French in the Media

Dates and Fees on request.

LINGUISTIC TUITION

Development of advanced linguistic skills practice designed for foreign students registered at the University of Burgundy, particularly adapted to the needs of students and researchers wishing to improve their knowledge of French.

Dates and Fees on request.

EVENING CLASSES

Designed for non-native speakers with some previous knowledge of French who wish to extend and improve their linguistic skills at a rhythm which is adapted to their personal constraints.

Learning is based on the acquisition of written and oral comprehension and expression skills.

The study of grammar, syntax and vocabulary is accompanied by learning through real-lifesituations (role-playing, drama, written and oral interaction).

Dates and Fees on request.

CUSTOMIZED COURSES

The CIEF is able to organize courses on request to meet special needs. Please consult us for further information.

Dates and Fees on request.



Excursions and visits

EXCURSIONS AND VISITS



Excursions and visits are organized throughout the year to allow students to discover the region of Burgundy, other regions in France and beyond its borders. The excursions are accompanied by specialists in art and history.

JUNE TO SEPTEMBER

THE LOIRE CASTLES*

A trip through history: the Middle Ages and the Renaissance seen through the famous castles of the Loire Valley (Chambord, Chenonceau, Blois, Amboise...).

PARIS*

The capital city and its region seen through its museums, monuments and famous sites (the Louvre, Orsay, Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Eiffel Tower, the Latin Quarter, Montmartre, Les Invalides).

ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL PROVENCE*

From the Gallo-Roman sites to the Popes' summer palace in Avignon, visiting the cities of Arles, Orange and Les Baux de Provence, the Camargue region and the Mediterranean coast.

THE ALPS*

Switzerland (Geneva and its lake), Savoy (Annecy, Chamonix, the Mont-Blanc, Aix-les-Bains). Discover the alpine landscapes (its fauna, flora and its typical housing environment).

FAMOUS PLACES IN BURGUNDY

Discover the history, art and culture of our beautiful region through visits to world heritage sites (Beaune and its hospital, Fontenay and its abbey, Vézelay and its basilica, the vineyards of the Côte-d'Or).

OCTOBER TO MAY

The program of excursions is published at the beginning of each session, of both intensive and semester courses.

*The number of places for each excursion being limited, students are advised to book in advance (see Registration Form).





Accommodation

ACCOMMODATION RÉSIDENCE INTERNATIONALE

Résidence Internationale

The Résidence Internationale, situated near the university campus, offers an international atmosphere. In association with the CIEF, the Résidence Internationale provides accommodation throughout the year for students and teachers who come from all over the world to study at the CIEF or the university. Near the Résidence Internationale you will find a wide variety of sports facilities (swimming pool, ice rink, velodrome, football ground) and local shops. The town centre is 15 minutes away and there are three regular bus services in the area.

The Résidence Internationale has 300 furnished single rooms, each with a refrigerator and telephone. Fully-equipped kitchens are to be found on each floor and a launderette is available for residents. A reception service is provided on a 24-hour basis, each day throughout the year, to receive and transfer external telephone calls and to answer all your enquiries.

MEALS

The cafeteria at the Résidence Internationale serves meals, morning and evening, from October to June. On campus, the university restaurants are open throughout the year.

RESERVATION

Please fill in the enclosed registration form and send it to :

Centre International d'Études Françaises
Maison de l'Université - BP 87874 - 21078 DIJON CEDEX - France

Accommodation University Residence Halls

ACCOMMODATION - UNIVERSITY RESIDENCE HALLS & LODGING WITH A FAMILY

② Lodging with a family

BOARD AND LODGING WITH A FAMILY

Possibilities for living with a French family are limited. The CIEF will do its best to ensure that all requests are satisfied but cannot give any guarantees.

The family provides accommodation in a single bedroom as well as breakfast and dinner. Each month is payable in advance.

N.B. The CIEF helps students by providing addresses and all necessary practical details but cannot in any way be responsible for the agreement between the student and the family to which it is not party.



ACCOMMODATION ON THE CAMPUS

University residence halls are reserved for students enrolled in the July/August programs only. The University halls of residence are set in pleasant surroundings, within easy walking distance of all the university buildings, including the university restaurants and the sports facilities. There is a bus service to the town centre from 6:00 a.m. to midnight.

After office hours (from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.), night watchmen are on duty (from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.).

Rooms are single. Bed linen is provided but not towels. Washrooms and cooking and ironing facilities are available on each floor. Kitchen utensils are not supplied. There are also TV rooms, telephone booths and car parks.

The halls of residence (Montmuzard and Mansart) being open on an alternate basis, students enrolled for 6 or 8 weeks will be required to change halls at the end of July. Rooms are available from noon on the Sunday of arrival and should be vacated by noon on the Saturday of departure.

REGISTRATION

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PRATICAL DETAILS

Practical details

VISA

Students are strongly advised to ask the French Consulate for detailed information concerning the conditions to be satisfied in order to study in a French language centre.

If students intend to stay in France for over three months, they should obtain a visa from the French Consulate marked "séjour pour études", before leaving their country (this does not apply to countries exempted from visas).

ARRIVAL IN DIJON

The compulsory placement test at the beginning of each session is always organized on the first Monday of the session. It is therefore advisable for students to plan to arrive in Dijon at the latest the day before, which means on the previous Sunday. A special reception service is organized at the local train station.

On those days a shuttle will take you to your place of residence between 9 am and 12.30 am and from 2 pm until 7.30 pm. (Please refer to specific information sheet).

TUITION

Students should subsequently check in at the CIEF office to pay their tuition fees (by cheque, credit card or in cash). They should bring with them their registration certificate.

RESIDENCE PERMIT

Students wishing to stay in France for over three months must apply for a residence permit. In order to obtain it, they must go to the Préfecture de la Côte-d'Or with the following items:

- An official copy of their birth certificate and, if necessary, their marriage certificate (translated into French in both cases)
- Written proof of a monthly income
- Written proof of insurance coverage.

HEALTH INSURANCE

■ Students from countries belonging to the European Union (EU) must collect the European Health Insurance Card before departure.

■ All other students must produce a valid health insurance certificate. You are entitled to subscribe for French national health insurance (check with our offices on arrival).

All medical expenses will be charged to students.

MEALS

Meals are available at the University restaurants and cafeterias as well as at the Résidence Internationale.

INSURANCE

Students are insured for all the activities organized by the CIEF. However for all other risks linked to their journey and stay in France (accident, theft, illness, civil liability) they should take out personal insurance before their departure. As far as accommodation is concerned, extra insurance should also be arranged to cover risks of fire, water damage and theft.

