Sorbonne Nouvelle University

Exchange students Fact Sheet

2025 - 2026

Campus Nation - Main student campus

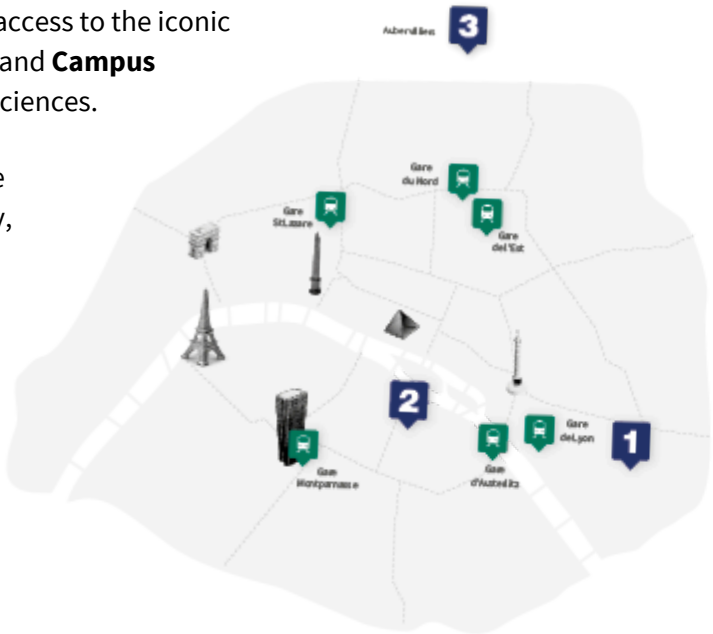
Located in the heart of Paris, **Sorbonne Nouvelle University** is a dynamic institution combining the prestigious heritage of the Sorbonne with a spirit of innovation. Specializing in **Arts, Humanities, Languages, and Social Sciences**, the university offers a rich and multidisciplinary academic experience.

Each year, around **4,000** international students from **136** countries join our diverse community, making Sorbonne Nouvelle a **university of cultures**. Whether you are interested in literature, linguistics, media, film studies, performing arts, translation, international relations, or communication, you will benefit from high-quality programs supported by **3 renowned faculties, a school and an institute.**

Situated in the **12th arrondissement of Paris**, the **Campus Nation** offers an ideal setting for students to immerse themselves in the city's **rich cultural and intellectual heritage**. With easy access to museums, theaters, and historic landmarks, students can fully experience Paris while studying in a modern and dynamic environment.

Beyond academics, Sorbonne Nouvelle provides a **vibrant campus life** with over 250 film screenings per year, 50 free sports activities, and numerous cultural events celebrating international diversity. Students also benefits from an **extensive library network** and a group of **40 student associations** that supports creative and social initiatives. Additionnally, they also have access to the iconic **Campus Sorbonne**, home of the International Affairs Office, and **Campus Condorcet**, a major research hub in Humanities and Social Sciences.

Sorbonne Nouvelle provides an inspiring environment where international students can thrive academically and culturally, all while discovering the unparalleled energy of Paris.



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1. Campus Nation
2. Campus Sorbonne
3. Campus Condorcet

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
Liberté Égalité Fraternité

Sorbonne Nouvelle
université des cultures

Application deadline

Semester 1 (September - December)

- Nomination and application deadline : From March 15 to May 1st

Semester 2 (January - May)

- Nomination and application deadline : From September 15 to November 1st

Nomination process

First, students need to be nominated by advisors using our forms.

Then, all exchanges students must complete the online application form.
When you fill in the form, please make sure you fill in the university and country of origin as well as the framework of your exchange according to the programme you are applying for:

- **Erasmus+ Programme** - Mobility from Europe
- **International Programme** - Mobility from outside Europe

Documents to enclose with your application:

- Photo (passport format)
- Copy of passport or ID card
- Cover letter in French
- Transcript translated into English or French
- Provisional list of desired courses at Sorbonne Nouvelle University (5 courses to choose from)
- Language Certification

Language requirements

French-speaking candidates must have a **B2 level in French** (DELF or professor attestation) to follow courses and complete assignments.

Non-French speakers can take courses in English, though options are limited to English-speaking world and Applied Foreign Languages subjects. A **B2 level in English** (official test or professor attestation) is required for those taking only English-taught courses.

While beginner French courses are not available, exchange students can take semester-long courses to improve their French language, culture, and methodology. A free intensive French course is also offered in September upon registration.

Course catalogue

You will be able to register for your classes **starting on Orientation Day**. Your main department will be the one where your university nominated you and that appear on your admission letter. **You need to pick at least one course in your main department.** Then, you can register up to 3 departments, main department included.

Browse our course catalogue and explore the wide range of specialties offered at Sorbonne Nouvelle University for exchange students.

Academic calendar

Semester 1 / Fall 2025

- Orientation: mid-September
- Classes registration: info will be sent by mail
- Classes begin: end of September
- Semester break: end of October – early November
- Classes end: end of December
- Final exams: end of December (It can last until the mid-January for students staying full academic year)
- Winter break: end of December – early January

Semester 2 / Spring 2026

- Orientation: early-January
- Classes registration : info will be sent by mail
- Classes begin: mid-January
- Semester breaks: February and April
- Classes end: early May
- Final exams: end of April – early May
- Catch up exams : June (only for students staying for 1 year / spring)

Accomodation and arrival

Each semester the Accommodation Office offers rooms in University Residence of the CROUS (rent between 300€ and 600€) in Paris:

Argonne | Bercy / Cîteaux | Fontaine au roi 1 | Fontaine au roi 2 | Indochine | Reuilly | Sarrailh | Thionville

Application dates:

- **Semester 1** - March 15 to May 15 2025
- **Semester 2** - October 15 to November 15 2026

You can apply by fulfilling the online form. Please make sure you have been nominated and you also applied for the exchange program. Do not wait to be accepted to apply for accommodation.

Please note that there is no guarantee that your application will be accepted, therefore once you have applied you should start looking for accommodation as soon as possible. You can ask help from the Welcome Desk.

Results will be published by the Accommodation Office.

Student visa

Following the application deadline, up to three weeks after, the International Office will issue your admission letter. Thanks to this document your can obtain your student visa from Francevisas.gouv.fr with their browser.

Healthcare & support

If you do not have an European Health Insurance Card you can take the free social security. Before or during your stay at Sorbonne Nouvelle University you can be helped by our handicap service.

Transportations

By being a student you can enjoy preferential tarif for transportations: subways and bikes.

Cost of living in Paris

Housing	**~600€ / month**
Food	**200€ to 400€ / month**
Transportation pass	**88.20€ / month**
Phone plan	**10€ to 20€ / month**

Key contacts

International Student Office

Inbound / Outbound students queries, nominations, exchange balance, admission, enrolment:

mobilite.internationale@sorbonne-nouvelle.fr

Tel : +33 1 45 87 48 48

Erasmus+ Student Office

Inbound students, nominations, exchange balance, learning agreement admission, enrolment:

erasmus-incoming@sorbonne-nouvelle.fr

Tel : +33 1 45 87 48 03

Accomodation

logement-international@sorbonne-nouvelle.fr

Tel : +33 1 72 63 40 31

Welcome Desk

Orientation, activities, housing and healthcare:

accueil-international@sorbonne-nouvelle.fr

Tel : +33 1 72 63 29 41

The Welcome Desk team welcomes and provides information to international students in several foreign languages throughout the year.

It is their first point of contact for help with settling in France, enrolling at university and health matters. All year round, they organise a wide range of events to help international students settle in.

International students can also sign up for the Buddy System tutoring programme to be accompanied by a local student throughout their studies.