

Student Handbook

2025-2026

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Everything an international
student* needs to know before
arriving in Toulouse



*Special conditions (course registration and program, accommodation, ...) may apply to exchange students which are not described in this guide.



Welcome to TSE

Congratulations on your acceptance to TSE, and welcome!

Toulouse School of Economics is an internationally renowned program with students, researchers, and professors from around the world. It is a program which is continuously growing in quality, and which brings together students from all different educational backgrounds and countries to share in an experience unlike any other.

Your studies here will be filled with new experiences. From inside the classrooms, to the bustling tables of the student cafeteria, and out to the Garonne and streets of Toulouse, you will be surrounded by new knowledge, cultures, food, and friendships.

Included in this brochure is some practical information to help you prepare for your adventures and studies abroad. It will also give you an idea about what to expect when arriving in France and adjusting to the French education system.

Toulouse is an exciting city with lots of lively cultural events and a vibrant night-life. We at TSE are proud to be a part of the greater Toulouse community and are excited to welcome you to our city and program this upcoming year.

We look forward to seeing you here at TSE in the autumn.



Christian Gollier
TSE Director

François Poinas
TSE Dean

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Academic calendar

Master Academic Calendar 2025–2026

TSE reopening: Monday 18th August

Preliminary Maths Courses and French classes (2 weeks)

- Maths Camp From 18th August to 2nd September
- French classes: From 18th August to 30th August

1st Semester: from 1st September to 20th December 2025

- 1st day meeting and beginning of courses (M1 M2 ETE /M2 MED/MRES): Monday 1st September
- 1st day meeting and beginning of courses (Other Master 2): Monday 8th September
- M1 mid terms: Week starting on 6th October
- Autumn Holidays: Week starting on 20th October
- M2 ETE MED MRES mid terms: Week starting on 27 October
- Exams: Week starting on 8th December
- Christmas Holidays: From 22th December for 2 weeks

2nd Semester: from 5th January 2026

- 1st day of school: Monday, 5th January 2026
- Winter Holidays: From 23rd February
- M2 ETE MED MRES mid terms: week starting on 2nd March
- M1 and other M2 exams: weeks starting on 30th March and 6th April
- M2 ETE MED MRES exams: week starting on 13 April.



Teaching & Grading methods

Lectures

Lectures comprise the majority of a student's schedule, and are taught by world renowned academics. They are 90 minutes long and cover the core concepts and material that is tested during exams at the end of the semester.

Travaux Dirigés (TDs)

Travaux Dirigés (or TDs) are similar to discussion or tutorial groups at other universities. For each course, students are divided up into smaller groups, which generally meet several times throughout the semester. In TDs, students work on problem sets and specific exercises related to the material presented in lectures. Most courses include lectures and TDs.

Travaux Pratiques (TPs)

Travaux Pratiques (or TPs) are similar to TDs but instead, take place in computer labs. Here, students learn how to use computer programs, such as Stata, which are key to the research field of economics. TPs take place several times a semester but are only required for certain courses.

Course Registration and Selection

Depending on the semester, students are required to attend certain core courses, and are given the option to choose between several other electives. Students are able to attend all elective options in the early weeks before making their selections. Sample course syllabi can be found on the TSE website under the program title in the "courses" section.



Teaching & Grading methods

Grading System

The academic year courses are organized into **two semesters**. Each semester includes 30 course credits (ECTS). For each teaching unit, an assessment is organized.

Students are assessed on their **participation** in class, their regular attendance during the year and class exams (**continuous assessment**) and during semester exams (**mid-term exams**).

Knowledge and aptitudes are evaluated by continuous assessment and during the final exam. Exams can/may be organized on Saturdays.

Teaching units are completed individually or on a annual average mark basis:

- **Individually:** a unit is definitely passed when students get 10/20
- **Annual evaluation:** the annual average mark of those teaching units can count to pass the exam. (Please refer to the official documents setting out the rules and conditions for exams.)

At the end of year and after the recommendation of the jury, one of the following **distinctions** can be awarded:

- **FAIR:** pass with 10 or less than 12/20.
- **CUM LAUDE:** pass with 12 or less than 14/20.
- **MAGNA CUM LAUDE:** pass with 14 or less than 16/20.
- **SUMA CUM LAUDE:** pass with at least 16/20.



Facilities and services

Internet Access:

Access to wireless Internet is available to all students using their login and password. Wireless Internet is only available during university hours and in campus range, and is deactivated each night at 8.00 pm.

More information is available in “Mon Dossier Web” (MDW) on the intranet:

You can access and modify your personal information, get a school or registration certificate, or access your grades and results.

Libraries:

There are several university and public libraries available for students. Hours of operation vary between libraries but they are generally open between 9.00 am and 8.00 pm Mon-Fri (5.30 pm Sat). Libraries are not open at night, on Sundays, or during national holidays.

- Information concerning university libraries can be found on the UT Capitole website:
www.ut-capitole.fr
- University Library Electronic Catalog: <http://bibliotheques.univ-toulouse.fr>
- For public libraries locations and hours of operation:
<https://bibliotheque.toulouse.fr/22-bibliotheques>

Printing:

There are two different printing systems currently used at UT Capitole. Upon enrollment at the university, each student is automatically given a certain amount of printing credit free of charge. Computers in any computer lab or computer room of a library will print using this credit account. A student can buy more credit at any time throughout the year.

The second printing system applies to the computers that are in the libraries but not in the computer labs. This system works with printing cards that can be bought and recharged at any card machine. Card machines can generally be found next to any printer. Printing costs approximately 5 cents a page. All photocopy machines run on the printing card system.

Books and Bookstores:

Most students choose not to buy all their books each semester. All necessary course textbooks are available for borrowing at the Manufacture des Tabacs library and can be borrowed for 2 weeks at a time. Students that do buy books generally order online from usual online bookstores or from local bookstores, for example rue des Loi, which carry a large variety of economics books in English. Make sure to order your books as soon as possible at online bookstores because orders can take up to 10 days to arrive.



Facilities and services

Student Cafeterias:

All students in France have access to the student cafeterias (called Restaurants Universitaires) and cafés (called Cafeterias). The cafeteria is open for lunch and dinner, and students are able to choose two side dishes and one hot main course for a discounted price of 3,30€. There are also three student cafes open during university hours (7am to 5pm), located on campus at Toulouse Capitole University, where students can find hot meals, sandwiches, snacks, and beverages.

Students can pay in cash or with a system called Izly on their student ID card. Machines are available in each café and cafeteria to recharge your Izly account. <https://www.crous-toulouse.fr/restauration/oumanger/>

Diplomas:

Diplomas are given to Master 2 graduates, and PhD graduates. Students in Master 1 receive a certificate of achievement at the end of the Master 1 year as well as a diploma 6 months later. Before leaving at the end of the year, a student should stop by the office **AR116 at Toulouse Capitole University** and fill out a form to request that the diploma to be sent directly to the student's home country.

This form must be handed in with a copy of the student ID card, and a self-addressed envelope. Students will then be notified when the diploma has been sent to the **French Embassy in the student's home country**. Students must then go to the French Embassy to pick up the diploma directly. Diplomas are not sent directly to the student's home address.

TSE administration will remind you this procedure in time.

More information on:

www.tse-fr.eu/school-administration ("Diploma" section)

<https://www.ut-capitole.fr/home/course-offer/award-certificates>

Sports activities at TSE:

The Department of Sport (DAPS) at the Toulouse Capitole University offers a choice of 21 activities such as Volleyball, Rugby, Football... to which TSE students can participate. For more information about registration, choice of activities, please get in touch with the DAPS located at the Arsenal building of Toulouse Capitole University or visit: <https://www.ut-capitole.fr/accueil/campus/sport>

Bonus

Practising a sport at the University during the academic year can give you bonus points. Only points above 10/20 are recorded. For more information, you can access the intranet: Mon Dossier Web (MDW).

French classes:

Although classes are taught in English, the program is part of a French university system. Staff in the libraries, cafeterias, bookstores, banks, and accommodation centres may not speak English. Therefore it is recommended to take courses.

- For more information about French courses via the University of Toulouse : <http://en.univ-toulouse.fr/courses/french-foreign-language>
- For more information about French courses at Toulouse Capitole University: <https://www.ut-capitole.fr/home/incoming-students/french-as-a-foreign-language-courses-fle>

Please note that some compulsory French classes are already part of the international masters programs and French classes are also offered within the TSE Toul'box package included.

Facilities and services

Student Associations:

• **BDE - TSE** : The TSE student association is a group of students that has been elected to represent the student body, organize social events, and trips, and sell TSE goodies. It also aims at helping new students to solve problems they may have when they arrive and during their stay at TSE. The student body elects the association members at the end of the previous academic year so that they can organize the buddy program that pairs new students with current senior students, who will give them useful information about the campus and Toulouse. They also use the summer to plan the welcoming "integration" weekend for the new TSE students.

For students that are interested: contact.bde.tse@gmail.com

More information can be found at: www.instagram.com/bdetse/

- **BDS**: join a sports team or come support the BDS Blue Hawks!
- **Say it aloud**: take part in the organization of conferences or debates.
- **TSEconomist**: TSE student magazine, entirely managed and written by students!
- **TSE Junior Etudes**: Eager to test the skills learnt in class? Join TSE's student consulting firm.

Student Life:

While the TSE Student Association organizes many events such as the Integration weekend and the End-of-the-Year Gala, students themselves organize many other weekly events usually via Instagram posting:

www.instagram.com/bdetse/

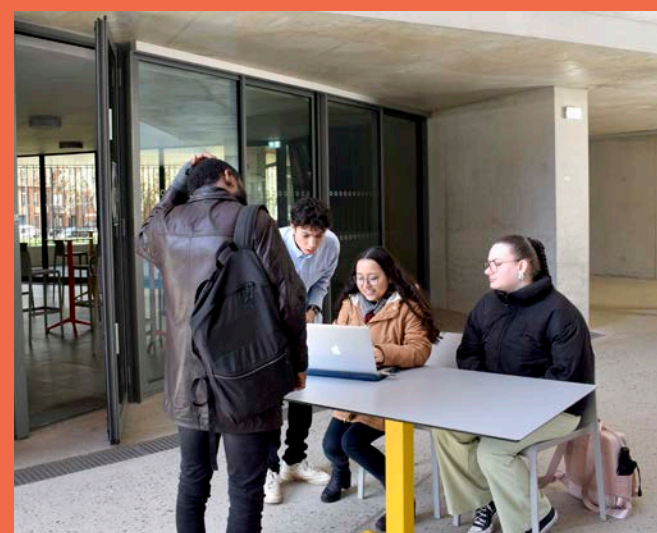
We recommend that you also join your program's Facebook group (search groups: Toulouse School of Economics), as it has proven to be a great social network for students during the previous years.

www.facebook.com/toulouseschoolofeconomics/

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The TSEconomist Student Magazine



Main Contacts

Master – 1st year

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Director of Doctoral program

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(International students welcome desk)

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Campus useful maps

Toulouse Capitole University Main sites

The campus is located in the city center and is divided in several campuses. L3, M1 and M2 classes will take place at the Manufacture des Tabacs.

If you see "MC201" in your timetable, it means that you need to go to the Building C of the Manufacture, 2nd floor. T implies TSE building, AR the Arsenal and AF Anciennes Facultés. You can also find PC for Puits Creusés, which is in the Anciennes Facultés campus, with the entrance accessible from the rue des Puits Creusés.

TSE Administration & Research

1, Esplanade de l'Université
31080 Toulouse Cedex 06
Tel: +33(0)5 61 63 36 90

Manufacture des Tabacs - Building

21 allée de Brienne
31 015 Toulouse Cedex 6
Tel: +33(0)5 61 12 88 91

Arsenal - Building

11 rue des Puits Creusés
31042 Toulouse Cedex 9
Tel: +33(0)5 61 63 37 98

Anciennes Facultés

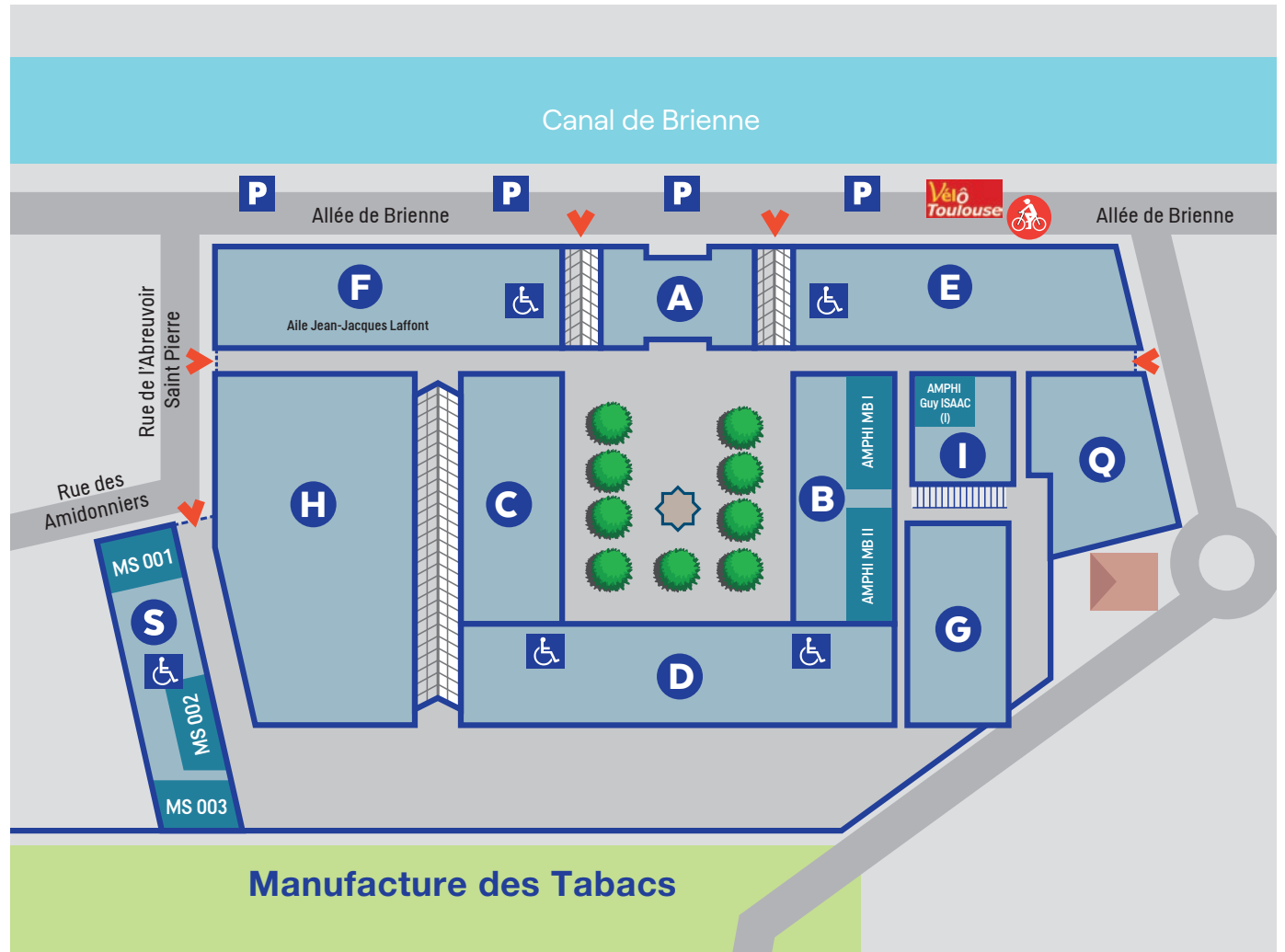
2 rue des Puits Creusés
31042 Toulouse Cedex 9
Tel: +33(0)5 34 45 61 03



Campus useful maps

Manufacture
des Tabacs – Campus

21 allée de Brienne – 31015 Toulouse
Cedex 6 – Tél. : +33(0)5 61 63 36 90



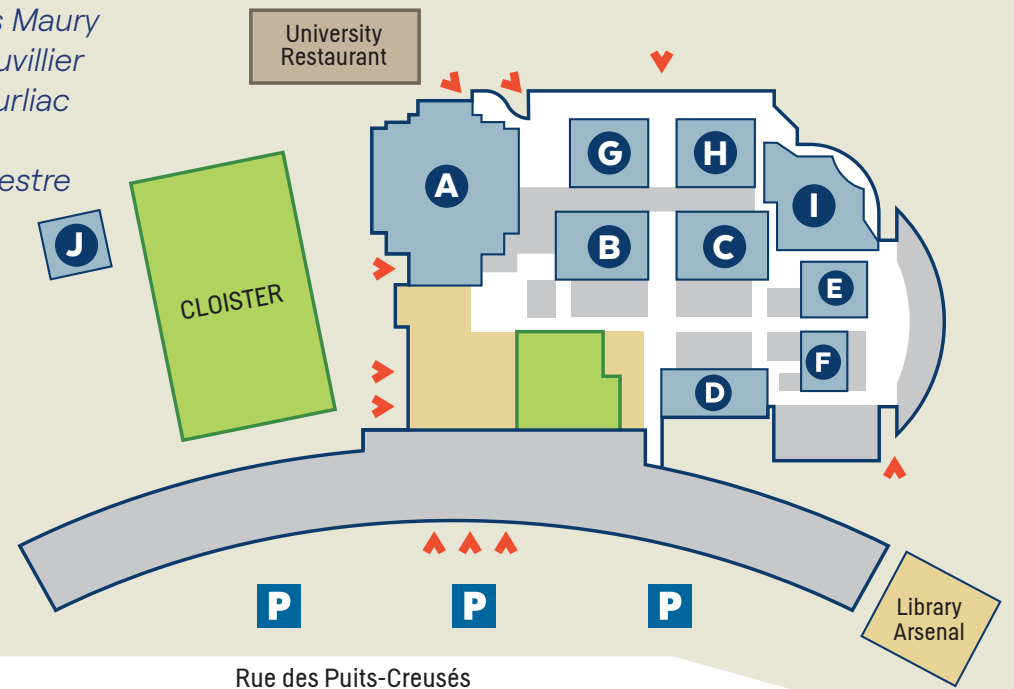
Campus useful maps

Arsenal - Campus

11 rue des Puits-Creusés, 31000 Toulouse
Tél. : +33(0)5 34 45 61 03



- A - Amphi A, Michel Despax
- B - Amphi B, Pierre Hébraud
- C - Amphi C, Montané de la Roque
- D - Amphi D, Pierre Raynaud
- E - Amphi E, Jacques Maury
- F - Amphi F, Jean Dauvillier
- G - Amphi G, Paul Ourliac
- H - Amphi H
- I - Amphi I, Achille Mestre
- J - Amphi J, Valade



Campus useful maps

Anciennes Facultés
Campus

2 rue des Puits-Creusés, 31000 Toulouse
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Student experiences

” *It's a really nice place to be. I've got a big group of international friends, which is quite nice, from lots of different countries and this happened because we had pre-interview, pre-course maths and French lessons, so it was a great chance to meet these people before serious studying started. It was nice when settling in.*

Michael Tallent – Master's student from United Kingdom

” *TSE is situated in the heart of the city near the Pont Saint Pierre. Students can move from academic life to social life simply by stepping out into the streets of the old medieval town. I highly recommend a walk by the Garonne for inspiration and keeping the spirits high.*

Mohar Chaudhuri – Master's student from India

” *I chose TSE because of its academic excellence and because I was interested in the Public Policy and Development Program but also because of the internship opportunity. I really like the city, Toulouse and that everything is nearby; I can cycle from home to the university every day.*

Paulina Rebolledo Guzman – Master's student from Chile



Registration and immigration procedures

It is important to look at visa (or residence permit) requirements to study in France as soon as possible as the visa application process can often take several months.

Residence Permits: Titre de séjour pour les étudiants

Since June 2009, holders of student visas (*"visa de long séjour valant titre de séjour"*) for one year are exempt from requesting temporary residence permits during their 1st year in France. With this new type of visa, one still needs to contact the Office Français de l'Immigration et de l'Intégration (OFII) upon arrival to have a medical exam and the visa approved for residence permit. You will have to pay 77€ to purchase an OFII stamp.

Students who stay longer than one year should come back to Toulouse before the expiration of their visa to renew their residence permit (49€).

You can also get in touch with the Toulouse Welcome Desk if you need help in the visa procedure: welcomedesk@univ-toulouse.fr

Toul'box Packages:

TSE international master students benefit from a specific TSE package including helping them with immigration formalities, accommodation issues, opening a bank account and Airport/train station pick up. See page "Accommodation" to know more.

<https://toulbox.univ-toulouse.fr/en/offres>



Registration and immigration procedures

Steps to follow:

1. You are required to pay the CVEC

("student tax") before your registration at the university. Note that the website is only in French: <https://cvec.etudiant.gouv.fr/>. If you cannot yet understand French, do not worry, we will help you out!

2. You must register at the university

– *For students fluent in French:*

Registration at the university online via the IA web (the website is only in French).
From July 03rd to July 18th and from August 25th to September 12th

Click here to register online via the IA web:

<https://www.ut-capitole.fr/accueil/formations/candidater-et-sinscrire/premiere-inscription>

– *Registration at the university in person:*

From the end of August – beginning of September

Administration procedure in France may be a tricky business... (a lot of information or websites are in French). Do not worry the TSE Admission service will help you out with all the administrative formalities so you can complete your registration at the university at the end of August!

Before your registration: The TSE Admission Service will send you by email all the necessary information to prepare your registration at the university (CVEC payment, registration form, required documents, date and time of your registration appointment).



Health

Health Insurance

If you are a new international student from outside the European Union:

- You must affiliate to the CPAM (French Health Insurance System) only AFTER your registration at the university.

Please click here and follow the procedure: <https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/>

Students from the EU/EEE/Switzerland/Monaco stay covered in their home country via the European Health Insurance Card (excepted Andorra)

Note that you are responsible for your own affiliation!

- This affiliation is mandatory to:
 - get a refund of your medical expenses until 70% of your own expenses for common and benign disease (more serious illnesses and significant surgery are entirely covered by Social Security).
 - be able to take an internship within the European Union
- If you want an additional refund, you may subscribe to a complementary health insurance called “mutuelle” or “complémentaire santé”.

General Medical Information

After signing up for medical insurance, it is expected that students find their own “médecin traitant” or general practitioner, and submit the doctor’s information (a form which is filled out during the first visit) to the insurance company along with a RIB (bank code needed for reimbursements). Students are required to pay for a medical visit to a doctor or specialist upfront, and can then submit a form for reimbursement to the insurance company. Medical reimbursements often take more than 6 weeks to come through.

Students are allowed to go to any G.P. and can find the nearest one by googling “médecin traitant” into google maps Toulouse. A visit should cost 25€ for a generalist and around 30 € for a specialist. Insurance companies will reimburse 23€ and 27€ respectively.

It is important to note that without the student’s G.P. information on file, the insurance company will not reimburse the full amount of the doctor visit.



French bank account

Almost all students open a bank account upon arriving in France since a bank account is essential for receiving and making bank deposits (rent, CAF, medical reimbursements, etc.). Also, with a bank account, students receive a debit card (or blue card in French), which is necessary for online purchases, recharging a student Moneo account, and for renting a bike with VélôToulouse.

Documents required to open an account:

- Passport
- Proof of address
- Student card or proof of enrollment in a university

Business hours for most banks:

Monday–Friday or Tuesday–Saturday morning, 8:30 –12:00/12:30 and 13:00/13:30–17:00

Banks with several locations and cash machines throughout Toulouse:

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| • HSBC | www.hsbc.fr |
| • Banque Populaire | www.banquepopulaire.fr |
| • Credit Mutuel | www.creditmutuel.fr |
| • BNP Paribas | www.bnpparibas.com |
| • Credit Agricole | www.credit-agricole.com |
| • LCL | www.lcl.com |
| • Caisse d'Epargne | www.caisse-epargne.fr |

Generally in France, one does not pay to withdraw money from a cash machine that is operated by a different bank. Instead, banks usually offer incentive points and benefits to their clients to encourage cardholders to withdraw from the cash points specific to that bank.

There are two cash points close to the Manufacture des Tabacs. The closest cash machine is at the corner of Av. Paul Sejourné and Rue des Amidonniers. The other machine is located next to Pub St Pierre at Place St. Pierre.

Please note that the Toul'Box packages also provide help with opening a bank account.



Cost of living

The estimations below give an idea of an average student's overall costs and monthly budget.

Per Month:

• Accommodation:	500€ <i>(for a studio)</i>
• Food:	250€
• Electricity & Gas:	80€
• Telephone & Internet:	35€
• Transport <i>(Tisseo Tube/Bus Pass):</i>	15€ <i>(Student between 20 and 25)</i>
• Miscellaneous <i>(Books, Clothing, Entertainment):</i>	200€

Total Per Month: 1030€



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Important phone numbers

Emergency:

- Police: **17**
- Fire department: **18**
- SAMU (Emergency medical services): **15 or +33 (0)5 34 39 33 33**
- European emergency number: **112**

Medical:

- SOS Médecins: +33 (0)5 61 33 00 00
- SIMPPS (Inter-university Department for preventive medicine and promoting health): +33 (0)5 61 63 37 25
- Vaccination centre: +33 (0)5 61 22 23 46 - 17 place de la Daurade
- All night pharmacy / drugstore: +33 (0)5 61 62 38 05 - 76 allées Jean Jaurès
- Family planning: +33 (0)5 61 25 54 17 - 95 Grande rue Saint Michel
- Red Cross hotline: +33 (0)8 00 85 88 58
- Drugs / alcohol / tobacco info services: +33 (0)8 00 23 13 13
- AIDS information service: +33 (0)8 00 84 08 00

General:

- Central Post Office: +33 (0)8 99 19 52 37 - 9 rue Lafayette
- Lost and Found: +33 (0)5 62 27 63 00
- Lost credit cards: +33 (0)8 92 70 57 05
- Telephone numbers: www.pagesjaunes.fr



Dates to know

National Holidays 2025 - 2026

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| • November 1 | <i>All Saints Day (La Toussaint)</i> |
| • November 11 | <i>Armistice Day (Jour d'Armistice)</i> |
| • December 25 | <i>Christmas Day (Noël)</i> |
| • January 1 | <i>New Year's Day (Jour de l'an)</i> |
| • April 5 | <i>Easter (Pâques)</i> |
| • April 6 | <i>Easter Monday</i> |
| • May 1 | <i>Labour Day (Fête du travail)</i> |
| • May 8 | <i>WWII Victory Day (Fête de la Victoire 1945)</i> |
| • May 14 | <i>Ascension (l'Ascension)</i> |
| • May 24 | <i>Whitsun</i> |
| • May 25 | <i>Whitsun Monday</i> |
| • July 14 | <i>Bastille Day (Fête nationale)</i> |
| • August 15 | <i>Assumption</i> |

Festivals and Concerts:

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| • September | <i>Piano aux Jacobins</i> |
| • October | <i>Festival Cinespaña</i> |
| | <i>Jazz 31</i> |
| • December | <i>Christmas Market</i> |
| • January | <i>C'est de la Danse Contemporaine</i> |
| • March | <i>Rencontres Cinémas d'Amérique Latine</i> |
| • April | <i>Festival Flamenco</i> |
| • May | <i>Fêtes des Berges et du Vélo</i> |
| • June | <i>Marathon des Mots, Rio Loco,</i> |
| | <i>Fête de la Musique</i> |
| • July | <i>Danse à Toulouse</i> |
| • August | <i>Toulouse d'Été</i> |



Toulouse

Located at the heart of south-west France, Toulouse enjoys a privileged geographical location, close to the Mediterranean Sea, the Atlantic Ocean and the Pyrenees.

Administration is located in a brand new building near "Place Saint-Pierre" but most classes will take place in the former tobacco factory nearby. Both buildings are situated between the Garonne River and the Canal de Brienne, and are close to the city's historical center (5 minutes' walk from the Place du Capitole).

Students can thus easily enjoy the charms of the "pink city" with its diverse historical resources, remarkable heritage and a variety of cultural and sports activities on offer. Toulouse is also a business-oriented, lively, young and cosmopolitan city where shops and sunny coffee terraces abound.

Toulouse is also known for its strong economic dynamism and stands out as a hub of excellence for the aerospace industry (Airbus, ATR, Alcatel Alenia Space, etc.). It is also the home of many innovative firms in other industrial sectors such as biotechnologies (Pierre Fabre, Sanofi-Aventis, Ciba-Vision, etc.) and electronics (Continental, Motorola, etc.).

Weather:

In the winter, average temperatures range between 0 and 5 degrees Celsius, with a few falls of snow. The average summer temperature ranges between 20 and 35 degrees with some sporadic heat waves. Most buildings and apartments will not have air conditioning. A rain coat and umbrella is never a bad idea!

Packing List:

- Good backpack
- Warm winter coat
- Camera
- Pocket Dictionary
- Voltage converter / adapter
- Ski clothing (for the TSE ski trip!)



Accommodation

The University of Toulouse (network of 3 Universities and 16 schools in Toulouse) offers “Welcome packages” for international students arriving for the first time in Toulouse. This Toul’Box includes exhaustive practical information, welcome meeting and services (some of them with payment). They have contracted with students residences, phone providers, banks and transports to offer students the best solutions within a range of different budgets, on top of their existing offer of guarantee for accommodation.

For international master students, the school has included a “All In” package that provides hosting solutions among a large range of student housing, flat shares, apartments. An airport or train station pick-up service is also included.



<https://toulbox.univ-toulouse.fr/en/offres>

Studapart

Find your apartment with a landlord, agency, residence or a roommate near Université Toulouse Capitole. You can reserve an accommodation online via the STUDAPART platform.

You have access to a range of accommodation available exclusively to the Toulouse Capitole University community (studios, shared rooms, student residences, etc.).

For international students, this online reservation will enable you to obtain a housing certificate, which will in turn enable you to obtain your VISA .

<https://ut-capitole.studapart.com/en/>

Many students choose to live in studios and T1 apartments right next to the Manufacture des Tabacs. These studio apartments are furnished and range between 350€ - 600€ per month. Leases usually run from September to August. Breakfast service, Internet, and laundry facilities are also available inside the

apartment buildings for an extra charge. This is a nice option for those who want to live in a student concentrated environment, close to the university, and are not on a tight budget. Below are the two options next to TSE:

<http://www.estudines.com/uk/> (that are also in partnership with Toul’Box)

<https://www.adele.org/en/residence/urbanarea/toulouse/student-housing>

For those who are comfortable living with flat-mates, are on a tighter budget, or interested in living with local French students, sharing an apartment in the city is also a popular choice.

Apartments can range from 2 to 4 flat-mates and generally come with shared common rooms, an equipped kitchen, and private individual rooms. Prices range between 200€ - 450€ depending on the size, number of flat-mates, and proximity to the centre city. Those interested should register on the following sites and be proactive about following up and contacting the available listings.

<https://www.appartager.com>

A “Garant” is someone who co-signs an apartment contract, and is held responsible for payments if the student defaults on payments. Often, apartment contracts require a Guarantor who is currently working and/or living in France.

Those with difficulties obtaining a Guarantor should refer to the TSE package or the other Toul’Box ones: <https://toulbox.univ-toulouse.fr/en/offres>

Government aid (CAF) up to 170€ a month is also available for students with formal housing contracts. More information on how to qualify and apply for aid can be found at: www.caf.fr

Transport

By plane:

Toulouse Blagnac Airport is 8km from the city centre and most international airlines fly into this airport.

<http://www.toulouse.aeroport.fr/en>

Getting to and from Blagnac Airport is relatively easy. The airport shuttle, Flybus (La Navette Aeroport) runs between the central train station, Gare Matabiau, and the airport every 20 minutes, stopping at three different tube stops on the way. A one-way ticket costs 9€ and takes about 30 minutes. A cheaper (but longer) alternative is to take the bus 30 or 31 from the airport to the tram line T1, which will offer you a connection with metro lines at Arènes (A line) or Palais de Justice (B line).

See more info here: <https://www.tisseo.fr/sites/default/files/medias/Depliant-Desserte-aeroport.pdf>

Some budget airlines fly into Carcassonne International Airport and there are several direct trains between Carcassonne and Toulouse each day operated by SNCF. <https://www.aeroport-carcassonne.com/home/en>

By train:

The central train station in Toulouse is Gare Matabiau - SNCF and is located next to the metro stop Marengo-SNCF. www.sncf.com

By bus, metro or tram:

Toulouse has two convenient metro lines that run through the centre of the city, and an extensive bus and tram system connecting the city centre to nearby suburbs. A standard one-way trip costs 1,80€, but students under 26 can apply for a "moins de 26 ans" Tisseo card. With this card, students have 10 rides for 5,90€ and Monthly passes for just 15,20€ per month. Students of age 26 and older can apply for a student card, and can have 10 rides for 11,50€. More information about how to apply for a discount Tisseo card can be found at: <https://www.tisseo.fr/en>

By Bike:

VélôToulouse is a very convenient and easy-to-use bike system with bike stations located throughout the city. For 1€ a day or 122,40€ a year, students can borrow a bike from any station, and return it to any other station. VélôToulouse has become extremely popular over the past years and is now a common mode of transportation for getting to and from the university during the day, or out to the bars late at night.. <https://velotoulouse.tisseo.fr/en/home>

More information about Toulouse transport : <https://metropole.toulouse.fr/mon-quotidien/deplacements-et-stationnement/se-deplacer> Transportation Map of Toulouse next page



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www.tisseo.fr/se-deplacer/plans

