

Welcome Refugees

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You are a refugee or asylum seeker and would like to begin or continue your studies. France also welcomes you for higher education. All information is on this page.

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Study in France

You will find all information on studying in France on [this page](#).

Read about the higher education offer in France in more detail on [this page](#).

Would you like to register at a higher education institution?

In [this section](#) you will find the information you need for registering.

See [the list of the 21 AUF initiatives \(June 2016\)](#) selected to support the integration of over 1,000 non-French speaking student refugees from some twenty countries, 55% of whom come from Syria.

Who can help you at the universities?

Science for refugees: a platform launched by the European Commission that puts scientists and researchers in contact with institutions that would like to receive refugees.

How can I learn French?

It is usually necessary to have a Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française (Diploma in French Language Study or DELF) to register for a university degree course or equivalent. **A B2 level in French is required in order to register for a higher education course.**

FUN-MOOC (Massive Open Online Course)

Over 220 MOOCs are available on the FUN (France Université Numérique or France Digital University) website, which was set up in October 2013 by the Ministry of National Education, Higher Education and Research.

Some MOOCs are specially reserved for learning French, with lessons in French as a Foreign Language (FLE). Other MOOCs will allow you to strengthen your skills in a number of areas: digital, information technology, science, environment and development, economy and finance, law and legal, humanities and social sciences, etc.

- **Paroles de FLE** from level B1 (Université de Nantes)
- **Study and pass the DELF B2 and DALF C1**
- **Lessons in French as a Foreign Language A2**

In partnership with **Kiron**, FUN MOOCs support student refugees

L'Université Ouverte des Humanités (UOH)

This is the Université Numérique Thématique (Thematic and Digital University), dedicated to the academic fields of Humanities, Social Sciences, Languages, Literature and Arts.

To promote greater success for students, particularly at undergraduate degree level, and to contribute to the development of the France Digital University, **the UOH offers free access through this portal to** scientifically, educationally and technically approved teaching content.

Certif'Lang: this **French as a Foreign Language (FLE) module** includes an oral comprehension activity and a written comprehension activity linked by the same theme and built on the model of a certification subject.

This module prepares students for the written and oral comprehension tests of the Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française (DELF) B1 and DELF B2.

There are seven available modules: three for the DELF B1 and four for the DELF B2.

Would you like to have your degree or diploma recognised?

Recognition of foreign degrees or diplomas is at the discretion of French higher education institutions. **However**, it is possible and **recommended that you have your degree or diploma assessed in order to facilitate recognition.**

On [this page](#) you will find information relating to the recognition of your degree or diploma.

Your student life

Student status, in addition to refugee status, gives you the right to financial aid: student grants, specific assistance, accommodation subsidies, etc. and access to services: accommodation in student halls of residence, social services, cultural services, etc.

You can also access catering, healthcare and employment services.

The CROUS is your local contact for anything relating to this assistance

Financial aid

Your status as a student refugee gives you the right to access grants managed by the CROUS. To find out more, visit [this page](#).

As a Syrian student exiled in France, you can apply for the [Syria grant programme of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development \(MAEDI\)](#).

[European Union grant programme \(HOPES\)](#) for **Syrian students** who wish to study in countries bordering Syria

Finding accommodation

You will find all information relating to student accommodation in [this section](#)

CALM (Comme à la maison) is a platform that puts private individuals in contact with refugees for temporary accommodation which allows applicants to spend 1 to 9 months in a person's home.

Feeding yourself

In the "[Feeding yourself](#)" section you will find information on Resto'Us, their location and prices offered.

Taking care of yourself

The [following page](#) explains how the university healthcare system works.

In particular, you are entitled to free health checks and psychological support. You will also find more information on [health insurance](#) for students.

As an undocumented or at-risk person you are entitled to [State medical assistance \(AME\)](#).

Supplement your studies with a job

[Jobaviz](#): To find a student job.

Do you need support with your training or course and your career plan?

On [this page](#) you will find the answers to your questions on employment and professional training.

Various associations are there for you

The **RESOME** is a network of associations, collectives and volunteers. The RESOME fights daily for continuation of study, French language learning and the orientation of exiles in the French higher education system. The RESOME supports asylum seekers and refugees in their plans for higher education.
contact@resome.org

Wintegreat: Support for refugees in their learning of French language, history and culture in partnership with top Parisian schools. Support for professional training.

Bibliothèque Sans Frontières: To help you with your course and professional training. Patrick Weil, a researcher in history at the CNRS, has set up a "library without borders", portable cultural centres for refugees that have been tested in Burundi. These help occupy minds and reduce the climate of violence in camps through culture. Bibliothèques Sans Frontières is a Non-Governmental Organisation that acts for access to information and education and the promotion of cultures.

Publication:

Are you a young graduate on a low income? Request ARPE

Asylum seekers and refugees

Specific assistance and accommodation options are described on pages 17, 18 and 19 of the **OFPPA** guide.

The addresses of the 34 unique offices where requests can be made are also included at the end of the guide.

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[Guide \(EN\)](#)

[Guide \(AR\)](#)

Your contact

[List of CROUS referents](#)

Interactive map

Welcome Map: an interactive map of Paris to meet your daily requirements (food distribution, French lessons, support associations for undocumented persons, municipal libraries, hospitals and even Wifi hotspots), all in 5 languages: Farsi, Turkish, French, English and Arabic