

UNIVERSITY JEAN MOULIN LYON III

FACT SHEET 2026-2027



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ABOUT US

Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University is a dynamic institution located in the heart of Lyon—a **UNESCO World Heritage** city and France’s second-largest university hub—as well as in Bourg-en-Bresse. With a strong focus on **Law, Business, and the Humanities**, the university offers academic programs **from Bachelor to Doctorate level** and fosters interdisciplinary research addressing today’s major societal challenges through its **7 doctoral schools** and **16 research units**.

Welcoming over **27,000 students**, including nearly **4,700 international students**, and supported by **650 faculty members** and **2,000 professionals** from various sectors, Lyon 3 offers a high-quality, inclusive academic environment.

Its **three urban campuses** provide an exceptional study experience in one of Europe’s most vibrant and student-friendly cities. A founding member of the **University of Lyon consortium**, Jean Moulin Lyon 3 is committed to knowledge, innovation, and social progress.

GENERAL INFORMATION

FRENCH EDUCATION SYSTEM

Jean Moulin Lyon 3 is a public university that offers courses based on **three levels**:

- **Licence** (Bachelor’s degree) - 180 ECTS (3 years of study)
- **Master** (Master’s degree) - 120 ECTS (2 years of study)
- Doctorat (PhD)

Student learning is evaluated through a mix of continuous assessment and final exams held at the end of each semester.

Courses typically combine **lectures** (cours magistraux)—large-format classes—and **tutorials or practicals** (TD/TP), which are mandatory small-group sessions that reinforce and apply course content.

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HOUSING OPTIONS

- CROUS university residences
- Private student residences
- Private rentals (through agencies or directly from owners)
- Shared apartments (colocation)
- Homestays

Exchange students can receive assistance in finding accommodation through the **Lyon III International student association**. They help with placements in CROUS residences, private housing, or homestays.

[More information](#)

LYON 3 VIRTUAL TOUR

[CLICK HERE](#)

COST OF LIVING

The average cost of living per month is around 1000 EUR* including rent.

VISA

Depending on the country of origin, there are different entry and residence regulations. En fonction du pays d’origine, il y a différentes règles d’entrée et de séjour.

Si un étudiant nécessite un visa, il lui est fortement recommandé de soumettre sa demande en ligne et les documents justificatifs avant les dates limites d’admission à l’université.



TAILORED STUDY TRACKS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

At Jean Moulin Lyon 3, exchange students can choose between two unique programs designed to fit their language level and academic goals: the **DEUF (Diplôme d'Études Universitaires Françaises)**, taught in French, and the **SELF (Study in English in Lyon, France)**, taught in English. Both programs include courses in **French as a Foreign Language** and an **introduction to French culture** to help ease the integration of exchange students.

DEUF vs SELF

[More information](#)

ACADEMICS

Departments/Faculties

- Law
- Languages
- Humanities, Literature and Society
- Philosophy
- iaelyon - School of Management
- IUT Jean Moulin
- Bourg-en-Bresse campus

COURSES AND COURSE LOAD

Exchange students must be full-time students and take **30 ECTS credits per semester**.

Exchange students can choose from across the range of courses offered in English and French, as long as they meet the prerequisites and the courses are not full.

Course offer can be found on our website:

[In English](#)

[En Français](#)

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EXCHANGE PROGRAM

ERASMUS CODE

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WEBSITE FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Venir à Lyon 3 !

NOMINATIONS

Online Nomination Portal: link sent to partners by email.

Nomination Deadlines

- Fall Semester: 15 May
- Spring Semester: 13 November

APPLICATIONS

After nomination, students will receive a link to our online application form.

Documents to be uploaded with their application:

- ID Photo
- Copy of valid passport or ID document
- Official transcript of records

Application Deadlines

- Fall Semester: 17 July
- Spring Semester: 18 December



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester

24 August - 8 January 2027

(Integration Period & Exam Period included)

Spring Semester

4 January - 22 July 2027

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LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

For the **DEUF program**, a minimum B1 level in French is required. Some faculties require a higher level: B2 for Law and Philosophy, and C1 for Information and Communication.

For the **SELF program**, students should have a French level of A2 to B1 maximum.

For students enrolled in a university where English is not the official language, **one of the official tests listed below is required:**

- TOEFL IBT: overall score of 80 or higher with 4.5 at least for each section – only the official test will be accepted (the local version is not adequate)
- TOEFL ITP: overall score of 560 minimum and 50 at least for each section
- IELTS Academic: overall score of 6.5 and no section score below 6
- TOEIC including speaking, writing, listening and reading test: overall score of 1020
- Cambridge Advanced: A/B
- Cambridge Proficiency: C minimum
- Duolingo English Test: overall score of 125

The English test has to be provided upon nomination (end of April for the fall semester and end of October for the spring semester) by your home university.

NB: The tests listed above must have been undertaken no more than two years prior to the commencement of SELF program.

GRADING SCALE

Grade ECTS	French Grade (out of 20)
A excellent	17-20
B very good	15-16
C good	13-14
D satisfactory	11-12
E sufficient	10
FX insufficient/Failure	0-9
Passing Grade:	10-20

CATCH UP/ LONG DISTANCE EXAMS

Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University does not organize or supervise distance exams, including written re-sit exams once students have returned home.



LIFE ON CAMPUS

Student life at Lyon 3 is dynamic, with a rich cultural scene, active student clubs, and sports for all.

Discover more:



TRANSCRIPTS OF RECORDS

Transcripts of Records are made available in electronic format on the student intranet after the jury has formally validated the results.

Students will be able to download their transcript once the deliberation process is complete

SERVICES ETUDIANTS

Students at Lyon 3 can access a range of support services, including [tailored assistance for those with disabilities](#).

[More information](#)



To help students prepare for their arrival in France, Lyon 3 partners with the **Livin-France platform**.

With just a few clicks, students can simplify essential procedures—such as finding accommodation or subscribing to mandatory services—and benefit from free, personalised support both before and throughout their stay.



FRENCH SUMMER SCHOOL

8 - 26 JUNE



3 weeks

of high quality education, integration and discovery

48 hours

of French Language and French Culture classes

+ cultural visits, trips & social activities

WHO CAN APPLY ?

Our program is exclusively open to:

- **University Students:** Applicants must currently be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a recognized university.
- **French Speakers with a Minimum B1 Level:** A solid intermediate proficiency in French (CEFR level B1) is required to ensure active participation in classes and activities.
- **Individuals Aged 18 or Older:** Participants must be at least 18 years old at the start of the program.

FEES

€1,500 (+CVEC, 105€), which include classes, excursions, accommodation, and local transportation.

IN A NUT SHELL

French Summer School is an intensive 6-week programme designed to help students improve their French language skills while discovering the city of Lyon.

This programme includes a total of 48 hours of courses broken down into the following courses :

French as a foreign language - 5 credits, 36 hours

A complete French course available for A2 level-according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

Students take a placement test on their arrival and are placed in the appropriate level group.

Evaluation for the course comprises continuous assessment and a final exam.

French History and Culture - 2 credits, 12 hours

The aim is to provide a panorama of French culture both in its more formal and its more popular aspects. A special effort will be made to link the course content to the students' presence in Lyon/Rhône-Alpes region, thus providing an "applied culture" dimension to the course.

Credit transfer for courses taken at the Summer School depends on the policies of the student's home institution.

SUMMER SCHOOL WEB PAGE



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