



# Université de Tours - Fact sheet

Guidelines for partner universities and international exchange students

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*Fact sheet for international mobilities*

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Academic year 2026/27

[Our website](#)

Welcome to the Université de Tours, France!



The University of Tours is located in the lively and beautiful city of Tours (one hour away from Paris), a city where history, culture, sports activities and a thriving business community ensure you will experience the best of French *art de vivre*. As Tours is surrounded by the

Loire Valley – listed as a world heritage site by UNESCO – you will have the opportunity to discover beautiful countryside and gastronomical treasures. Home to great writers such as Rabelais, Ronsard and Balzac, the Touraine area has a rich and ancient cultural heritage. From the Middle Ages to the Renaissance, various kings and queens of France encouraged artistic and intellectual creation, thus making the Loire Valley the cradle of French culture. Tours has the reputation of being one of the towns in France where the purest and most unblemished French is spoken.

For further information regarding the UT, we invite you to watch our promotional video available on our [website](#), and watch [this video](#).

## General information



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### Address

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The International Relations Office prepared two maps that will facilitate the orientation of exchange students, visiting staff and visiting professors:

- **UT campuses**: faculties, university services, public and private student residences, etc.
- **Discover Tours**: main points of interest

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## Faculties

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UT has 9 teaching and research Faculties, offering more than 300 undergraduate and graduate study programmes, 2 Institutes of Technology (IUT), 1 Polytechnic Engineering School (EPU), as well as a University Centre for teaching French to International Students (CUEFEE). UT totals 34 research units, including 16 joint research units in partnership with the CNRS, the INSERM, the INRA and the CEA.

## International Relations Office



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## Staff

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### Director

- Mr. *Germain Rousseau* - [germain.rousseau@univ-tours.fr](mailto:germain.rousseau@univ-tours.fr)

## International cooperation

- Erasmus+ Agreements: To be defined - [erasmus.agreements@univ-tours.fr](mailto:erasmus.agreements@univ-tours.fr)
- European cooperations (non Erasmus+): Ms. *Ivana Cernanova* - [cooperation.europe@univ-tours.fr](mailto:cooperation.europe@univ-tours.fr)
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## Student mobilities

- Incoming students: Mr. *Eduard Rotariu* - [incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr](mailto:incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr)
- Outgoing students (Erasmus+): Ms. *Milla Gerard* - [erasmus@univ-tours.fr](mailto:erasmus@univ-tours.fr)
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## Staff mobilities

- Erasmus+ administrative and academic mobilities: To be defined - [erasmus.staff@univ-tours.fr](mailto:erasmus.staff@univ-tours.fr)
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## French culture and language support programmes

- Ms. *Aurore Leroy* - [aurore.leroy@univ-tours.fr](mailto:aurore.leroy@univ-tours.fr)

## Reception, communication, assistance on transversal actions

- Ms. *Isabelle Métais* - [international@univ-tours.fr](mailto:international@univ-tours.fr)

## Head of the CUEFEE

- Mrs. *Marie-Pierre Baylocq-Sassoubre* - [cuefee@univ-tours.fr](mailto:cuefee@univ-tours.fr)

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### Contact

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## Exchange programme



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### *Term dates*

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First semester : 4 months

- Autumn / Winter Semester
- September to December

Second semester : 5 months

- Spring / Summer Semester
- January to May

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### *Expected dates of arrival for exchange students*

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First semester

- Between 24/08/2026 and 04/09/2026

Second semester:

- Between 04/01/2027 and 08/01/2027

## Welcome programme



In order to facilitate the social, cultural and academic integration of international exchange students, the International Relations Office organises two orientation periods, namely:

First semester

- First week of September

Second semester

- First week of January

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*Academic calendar*

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## **Beginning & end of classes**

- First semester: 07/09/2026 --> 04/12/2026
- Second semester: 11/01/2027 --> mid May 2027

## **Examination period**

- First semester: mid to end December
- Second semester: mid to end May
- Retakes: June (if applicable)

## **Holidays**

- Summer: approximately two months (Jul - Aug)
- Autumn: one week (Oct - Nov)
- Christmas: two weeks (Dec - Jan)
- Winter: one week (Feb)
- Spring: two weeks (Apr - May)

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### ***Nomination and pre-registration calendar***

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## **Nominations period**

- First semester (or full academic year): 23/03/2026 --> 29/05/2026
- Second semester: 05/10/2026 --> 13/11/2026

## **Pre-registration period**

- First semester: 30/03/2026 --> 05/06/2026
- Second semester: 05/10/2026 --> 20/11/2026

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### ***Nomination and pre-registration procedures***

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## **Nominations** *(for institutional partners)*

The International Relations Office set up an online nomination system that our partners have to go through in order to officially nominate their outgoing students for an international mobility at UT. In this sense, the official nomination will consist in completing an online form, that will be made available right before every nomination period. Consequently, the

pre-registration instructions will be sent out to the students once the official nomination effective.

### **Pre-registration** (*for students*)

Before you start your pre-registration, please carefully read the information about the process.

After the official nomination of behalf of your sending university, you will be contacted with detailed instructions about the steps that you need to go through in order to correctly prepare your arrival in Tours. Then, you will have to:

- a. create and validate your account on the designated platform
  - i. you will start receiving automated notifications that will guide you through the process
- b. fill in all the necessary information
- c. upload all the necessary documents
  - i. the accommodation request will be one of the required documents
  - ii. please find all the necessary information on this topic below
- d. once the information has been provided, you will have to download your pre-registration file, sign it, and have it signed by your sending university
- e. send the signed pre-registration file by e-mail to [incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr](mailto:incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr)
- f. your international mobility of studies will consequently be validated, and you will receive your official acceptance letter

### **Final registration** (*for students*)

After receiving your pre-registration form, we will provide you with all the information needed regarding registration at UT. Upon arrival in Tours, you must present yourself at the International Relations Office (meeting to be planned in advance, through the platform sent out by the IRO's administration) to meet our Inboud Team, who will explain what the required steps are for finalising your registration at the UT.

How to get to the IRO? Please refer to [this map](#).

We will assist you with:

- Obtaining your student card

- Academic registration (IRO will give you the contact details of your academic coordinator, who will help you establish your *Learning Agreement*)
- Integration (Buddy programme, ESN, activities)
- Visa
- Providing documents containing all the information students will need for a successful exchange
- All inquiries related to your international mobility of studies

## Support services for students



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*Housing*

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## **Apply for accommodation in a public student residence (CROUS)**

In France, public student residences are managed by the CNOUS (Centre national des œuvres universitaires et scolaires) at a national level. On a local level, public [student residences in Tours](#) are managed by the CROUS. Further information is available on the [Campus France website](#), the [French government's website](#), and the [CROUS' website](#).

The IRO facilitates the access of international exchange students coming from our partner institutions to CROUS public student residencies, and serves as a direct communication channel between the two parties, in order to ensure a smooth and correct process.

Right after the official nomination, concerned students will be provided with information about their accommodation options, and the procedure corresponding to their choice. Should there be any uncertainties or subsequent questions about the process, students can contact [incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr](mailto:incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr), who will offer support throughout the entire process.

Application deadlines for public student residences

- beginning of June for mobilities starting in the first semester
- mid-November for mobilities starting in the second semester

NB: The accommodation request form must be sent to [incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr](mailto:incoming.mobility@univ-tours.fr) together with the registration form signed by the home university. Failure to comply will lead to the form not being accepted.

## **Private accommodation**

For students wishing to find a private rental (private student residences, real estate agencies, private landlords), the necessary information is available on our official website, within the section especially dedicated to the topic of [accommodation](#).

NB: Students must find their private accommodation on their own.

## **Required documents for finalizing the housing application**

- Visa
- Guarantor ([Visale](#))
- Home insurance (for your French accommodation)
- Civil liability insurance
- Acceptance letter on behalf of the UT

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## Visa

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Do you need a Visa? Check under: <https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/assistant-visa>

If so, what is the procedure to follow? Check under: <https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/web/france-visas/etudiant>

Consult the Campus France website corresponding to the country of your sending institution for further information on the procedure and specific details: <https://www.campusfrance.org/fr/espaces>

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## Learning Agreement

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The Learning Agreement is the fundamental document on which the academic part of your international study mobility will be based. This document allows you to indicate the courses you wish to follow at our university, and allows your sending university to confirm that these courses will be recognised at your return.

### Select your courses

The UT prepared an [online course catalogue](#) listing the most common courses selected by international exchange students.

For a comprehensive overview upon the curriculum, please consult the website of each faculty:

- [Arts and Humanities](#) (ASH)
- [Centre d'études supérieures de la Renaissance](#) (CESR)
- Law, Economy and Social Sciences (DESS): [BA](#) & [MA](#)
- [Institute of Management](#) (IAE)
- [Institute of Technology](#) (IUT)
- Letters and languages (LL): [BA](#) & [MA](#)
- [Pharmacy](#)
- [Engineering](#) (Polytech)
- [Sciences and Technology](#) (ST)

Supervised research projects

- Sciences

- Engineering
- Psychology
- Renaissance
- More information on [our website](#)

### **Improve your French language level**

At the [CUEFEE](#)

- Our University Centre for teaching French to International Students offers language, grammar, and French culture classes that will help you to know more about the language that you will need to use on a daily basis, but also about the country and the region that you are living in
- More information on [our website](#)

At the [CRL](#) (Centre de Ressources en Langues/Language Resource Center)

- An innovative language learning Center, the CRL allows students to study at their own pace, according to their level, through a large series of multimedia supports

### **Credit System**

Undergraduate/graduate exchange students can earn 30 ECTS credits maximum per semester.

For further information regarding European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, please consult [our website](#).

### **Restricted programmes**

Faculties not open to exchange students: Medicine / formations continues.

## Campus facilities



[University restaurants \(CROUS RU\)](#)

[University libraries](#)

[Cultural programme](#) organised by the International Relations Office for exchange students

Cultural and artistic activities organised by the [Cultural Service](#)

[Sports and physical activities](#)

[Student Health Service](#)

[Student associations](#)

[Erasmus Student Network Tours](#)

[Buddy programme](#)