

IFALPES, France Summer

Annecy, France (Europe)

Quick Facts

Summer 2025

- Session I: Mon, Jun 2 to Fri, Jun 20
- Session II: Mon, Jun 9 to Fri, Jun 28
- Session III: Mon, Jun 30 to Fri, Jul 18

PROGRAM COST (overseas tuition, housing, insurance)

SUMMER 2025 (Any session)

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Program Overview

IFALPES, the Institut Français des Alpes specializes in teaching the French language. The methodology is direct and communicative, and the program is intensive -- four hours or more daily. The student body is drawn from countries around the world. Annecy is located at the foot of the Alpine massifs, sits on the purest lake of Europe, and has the most breathtaking scenery.

Known as the "Venice of the Alps, with its canals, Old Town, lake, castles, famous hotels and restaurants, Annecy is a bustling city all year round with lots to see and do. Annecy offers students cultural and athletic activities within a very pleasant urban environment.

Enjoy this video of beautiful Annecy, France!

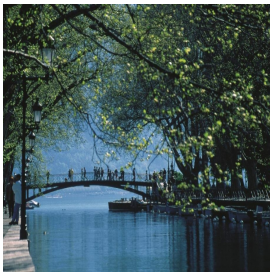
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Academics & Program

IFALPES in Annecy

IFALPES is a leading French language training institute that operates in cooperation with institutes and academic institutions both in France and abroad. IFALPES has the "Qualité FLE" accreditation from the French Ministry of Education. The students come from all over the world to learn French.

Course Offerings

The Institute is open all year round. French language courses: beginning, intermediate, advanced are specifically designed for those interested in learning or becoming more proficient in the French language. The teaching methods are based on active participation by students (Communicative Method). The scope of the program includes understanding, speaking, reading, writing and cross-cultural studies. The goal of the Institute is to encourage the use of spoken French by students outside of classes.

Students are in class around 20 hours per week and earn 12 credits over the 14-week semester program (spring or fall) and 3 credits per summer session, with 58.5 hours of class every three weeks.

Student Life & Housing

Student Life

The summer program offers hiking, boating, visits to historical and cultural sites, led by an IFALPES staff member. Additional planned excursions can be included at an extra cost.

SUMMER Housing

The housing that is included in the program cost is a French homestay with a host family that includes daily breakfast and dinner. This is very popular arrangement, where students benefit from the opportunity to learn about French culture and practice the French they are learning, and it gives students the added benefit to get to know a host family. Students may also choose to have a homestay that includes room only or breakfast only at a lower cost.

Another option for summer is to stay in a Student Residence called the Bernard Chevron.

Bernard Chevron - Furnished single room with a shared bathroom (among 3 students) and a shared kitchen (among 6-8 students) – Year-round housing.

Here are some photos of the Bernard Chevron . It is located at 15 minutes from the Annecy's train station by bus.

Students are then responsible for the cost of all meals in the student residences option. Students self-cater meals by shopping and preparing their own meals in the kitchen or by eating out in cafes. You can also enjoy the collective spaces on the ground floor : a space with 2 table tennis tables, a TV room and a laundry open 24 hours a day.

All housing options are based on availability. Some options may be more limited than other options.

Students complete a housing questionnaire to indicate their needs and choices, and, in the case of homestay, the degree of involvement desired with hosts. The term "family" is used loosely, as the possibilities are many and not limited to "traditional" families.

Duration & Costs

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Costs Included: Instructional costs, fees, Housing in a Homestay with a French family and daily breakfast and dinner, CISI health insurance, pre-departure orientation..

Costs Not Included: international airfare (NYC-Geneva $850-$1,200), personal expenses ($1,000+/month), other housing options may lower your housing cost $220-280 per month {see Housing above}, meals cost are $1,000-1,200/month for 3 meals/day.

Note on Meals and Expenses:
Meals cost will go down if you choose a host famliy option that includes breakfast and dinner. Then you are only eating lunches out daily. The average price for a meal in the least expensive restaurant costs between 10 and 15 EUR. In gourmet restaurants, menus can be more expensive. A more affordable option where you can have a meal anywhere in France are the bistros, brasseries and crepe stands. Some bistros serve substantial meals, and a crepe can take the place of lunch and prices are from 5 to 8 EUR.

If you choose a housing option that does not include meals, your meals cost will be considerably higher. One person can expect to spend on average about 250 – 300 EUR/month on groceries in Paris, but less in the provinces or in a place like Annecy. That is if you spend the time to shop and cook.

All costs, fees, and dates are subject to change without notification. Contact the program sponsor to verify all costs, fees, and dates for this program.

Please refer to your acceptance materials for information on arrival, orientation, and academic calendar. The refund policy is program specific and non-transferable. Refer to your acceptance materials for the comprehensive refund policy or contact the program sponsor.

Eligibility & Deadlines

Eligibility Requirements

- Minimum class standing - students must have completed at least one semester (minimum 12 semester credit hours) of college-level coursework at the time of application.
- 2.5 GPA or higher
- Students must be at least 18 years of age

Applications to Include

- Official transcripts
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher who knows the applicant from a classroom setting
- Statement of purpose

Application Deadlines

March 15

Have you talked with your study abroad advisor about your home institution's application process? Your institution's deadline might be earlier than the CCIS program application deadline. Check now to make sure all of your material is submitted on time!