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# French Language & Culture programmes in Rouen



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# French in Normandy ROUEN



Since 1992, award-winning French in Normandy, is a family-owned and run institute, offers a winning combination to those wishing to learn French or to improve their language skills: first-rate teaching in a warm and friendly study environment and an exciting social and cultural programme.

## EXCELLENT LOCATION

Rouen is the capital of the beautiful and historic region of Normandy; Rouen has all the attractions of a big city but most things are either within walking distance or a short metro/bus ride away. Rouen is the perfect starting point for many exciting excursions within the region.

## LOTS TO DO AND SEE

Walk along the Normandy Landing beaches where Second World War Allies made the historic D-Day invasion; see the historic Mont-Saint-Michel, a UNESCO World Heritage Listed Site; explore Rouen's wealth of architectural gems from the Middle Ages and the Renaissance.

## GOURMET FOOD

Rouen has been named 'Unesco City of Gastronomy 2021', becoming the first French city to be recognised for its outstanding cuisine.

## ART, CINEMA AND FASHION

Rouen has the 2nd largest collection of Impressionist paintings in France (second only to the famous Musée d'Orsay in Paris!); visit Monet's house and the famous gardens at Giverny; see exhibitions at the Christian Dior Museum and visit his childhood home; Enjoy the Deauville American Film Festival in September and the Deauville Asian Film Festival in March; Shop till you drop! Rouen has everything from flea markets to high fashion labels.



## CHOOSE ROUEN

- Excellent location - 1 hour from Paris St Lazare station by train
- Award winning school with high quality tuition and exciting programmes!
- Qualified and experienced trainers
- Historic and cultural capital of Normandy
- Beautiful university town with unique medieval architecture
- Fantastic shopping and lively social life
- Famous for its links with art and literature
- The gourmet capital of Normandy
- Close to the coast and the Normandy Landing beaches
- Friendly and welcoming host families
- Historic region packed with tourist attractions
- Affordable
- Authentic French experience away from crowded areas



As a guarantee of its commitment to the highest standards, FIN is a Qualité fle accredited school. Awarded jointly by the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, the Ministry of Higher Education and Research and the Ministry of Culture and Communication, the Quality FLE Label focuses on five areas: Reception - Premises - Management - Teachers - Courses.

IALC language schools are quality assured and boutique. As well as outstanding teaching standards and service, they have individual character and a real connection with their local community. Choose IALC schools for guaranteed professionalism, personal attention and an exceptional learning experience.

You can trust the global network of International House schools to provide the expertise and support you need to succeed in a positive and enjoyable environment. Our schools are independently owned and managed and they are all committed to the very highest standards in language education.

# DELIGHTFUL Rouen!

**The beautiful medieval city of Rouen which stands either side of the Seine river, is Normandy's cultured, historic, gastronomic and vibrant capital.**

The maestro of the impressionist movement Monet painted 30 canvases of the cathedral in the city centre making it one of the best-loved buildings in town, but there are many other delights to discover, including fine museums and the memorial church and new museum dedicated to France's national heroine: Joan of Arc.

Rouen's historic quarters with their delightful cobbled streets and half timbered houses are packed with tempting shops and restaurants. There are also glorious weekly markets. This being a university town, there is plenty of buzzing nightlife too.

## HOW TO GET TO ROUEN

Rouen is very easy to get to from all the Paris airports (Roissy Charles de Gaulle, Orly and Beauvais). Take the shuttle into central Paris and then a direct train from St Lazare station to Rouen. Flixbus, Ouibus or Isilines: run direct from Paris CDG, Paris Bercy or Paris La Défense to Rouen city centre. We can also arrange a private transfer from any airport directly to your host family.

Check out flixbus timetables from Orly and Charles de Gaulle and for the 2/3 direct coach es daily to Rouen

## HOW TO APPLY

Fill in the registration form or contact [info@frenchinnormandy.com](mailto:info@frenchinnormandy.com).

Our details are on the back cover of this brochure. French in Normandy is open all year round except for two weeks between Christmas and New Year .



# Why students choose us!

- For the warm and friendly atmosphere
- For the high quality of our teaching
- For the personal attention
- For the excellence of our DELF DALF results
- For the destination:
  - \* Rouen offers students an authentic experience and insight into the French way of life.
  - \* Rouen is a secure and friendly environment.
  - \* Rouen is just one hour from Paris yet is so affordable!
  - \* For our international student body

City Map showing FIN



Because we don't just say  
we care, we really do!



OUR STUDENTS COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD



# LEARNING FRENCH AT FRENCH IN NORMANDY IS SERIOUSLY FUN!



French in Normandy is situated on the left bank of the Seine in the quiet residential area of the Jardins des Plantes. Rouen's exceptional Botanical Gardens are opposite the school.

FIN is set behind the pedestrianised zone of St Sever with its wide variety of shops and a choice of restaurants and fast food outlets for all tastes and budgets.

Access to FIN is easy from all parts of the city, as metro and bus stops and one of the City's bike stations are just a few minutes walk away.

The supermarket is 3 minutes from the school or stroll through the gardens to the busy St Julien area with its shops and restaurants for your lunchtime break.

The school is in an independent building with complete disabled access. There is abundant free street parking.

## FIRST DAY

On the first day we ask students to arrive at 8h/8h15 so that they have time to visit the school, get to know the staff and take a short oral test to ensure that they are placed in the right group at the correct level.

There is also an online level test that we ask students to complete before arrival. No time is lost on the first day and new students go into class at 9h30.

At the end of the course students take a test to measure their progress and receive a certificate with the dates of their course, the number of hours taken and the level reached. All our levels are in accordance with the Common European Framework.

## FACILITIES

The school has :

- 12 classrooms and a student resource centre
- Reception area with water fountain, hot and cold drinks machine, snacks and chocolate, magazines, newspapers and tourist information
- Students lending and DVD library
- Table football
- 10 computers with free wifi and internet access
- Disabled access to all areas of the school





## Our team

All our trainers are highly qualified and have many years' experience teaching students from all over the world. They are there to help all our students get the maximum from their stay. French in Normandy's friendly and supportive administrative team is always on hand to help you to settle into your new life in Rouen and to provide information and help.

## Our material

French in Normandy produces its own material and students receive a French in Normandy grammar book and exercise book plus workbooks according to their level of French.

## Our method

Classes are based on communicative French and structural progression in the mornings, while in the afternoons we offer a series of workshops. Each workshop focuses on a specific language topic via different cultural themes which change every month.

- All courses are taught in full 60 minute hours.
- Courses are offered at 6 levels: from A1 (beginner) to C2 (upper advanced).
- Courses begin every Monday. The first day includes an orientation session of the town.
- Morning classes are based on communicative French and structural progression.
- The maximum class size is 15.
- Students can take a variety of Tests and Diplomas during their stay with us: TCF,TEF or DFP Business French Diploma.
- All students receive a course certificate.
- Student progress is monitored closely.
- Long term students have tutoring sessions to keep them on track.



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# Social and cultural Programme

## AFTER CLASS

Our free after class activities are a great way to meet other students and continue speaking French. All activities are led by one of our teaching team. Every day after class we offer our students a free language activity:

**Monday:** Orientation for new students or Grammar Fun Workshop

**Tuesday:** Theatre / Media Club (pronunciation / intonation with listening and speaking skills)

**Wednesday:** Book Club - discover the great French authors and read extracts from their best known works

**Thursday:** Cinéma Club - every week we show a well loved classic French film

**Friday:** SOS French problem busting workshop (personal tutorials)



### Excursions :

French in Normandy organises a weekly social activity programme with visits to local sites of interest.

Typical half-day activities during the week are:

- ☐ Visits to Rouen museums
- ☐ Visits to local radio or TV stations
- ☐ Visits to local institutions such as local government authorities
- ☐ Visits to Rouen's horticultural gardens and other sights
- ☐ Sporting activities such as swimming or skating.

Typical weekday and Saturday activities (not included in the course fee) are:

- ☐ Theatre and cinema evenings
- ☐ Restaurant evenings
- ☐ Visits to Mont St Michel, WW2 Landing Beaches, Bayeux, Giverny, Etretat, Dieppe, Caen, Camembert, local markets, and many more ...

French in Normandy also has regular visiting speakers and activities in the school.



# Our Language Programmes and Course Details

## LEVELS AND CLASSES

There are groups at 6 different levels from beginners to advanced students and courses start every Monday except for French and Cuisine which starts on the first Monday of every month. Beginners may start any Monday.

## GENERAL GROUP PROGRAMMES

These are our basic language skills courses which we offer all through the year. They give each student flexibility in the number of lessons per week, either the 25 hour intensive course or the mornings only 15 hours semi-intensive course.

### • Demi intensive

PERIOD All year starting every Monday  
LENGTH Minimum one week  
TIMES Group courses are from 14h-16h  
MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15  
MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16  
HOURS\* 10 per week  
LEVELS All

### • Semi intensive

PERIOD All year starting every Monday  
LENGTH Minimum one week  
TIMES Group courses are from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h with a coffee break from 11h-11h30  
MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15  
MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16  
HOURS\* 15 per week  
LEVELS All

### • Intensive

PERIOD All year starting every Monday  
LENGTH Minimum one week  
TIMES: from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h and from 14h-16h. There is a coffee break from 11h-11h30 and a lunch break from 13h-14h.  
MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15  
MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16  
HOURS \* 25 per week  
LEVELS All

### • Individual and Combination Courses

Individual courses are available at any time and can be adapted to the individual student and their particular needs. Students may also choose to have lunch with their teacher. You can choose to have as many or as few one to one lessons as you like but most students choose either 15, 20 or 30 hours per week. You can also combine individual lessons with a general group course on one of our COMBI COURSES.

### • COMBI

PERIOD All year starting every Monday  
LENGTH Minimum one week  
MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15 IN THE GROUP  
MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16

#### COMBI 50/50

15 hours of group courses in the morning and 15 hours of one to one every afternoon  
Group courses are from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h with a coffee break from 11h-11h30.

#### COMBI 15+5

15 hours of group courses in the morning and 5 hours of one to one every afternoon  
Group courses are from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h with a coffee break from 11h-11h30

#### COMBI 15+5 AM/PM

15 hours of group courses in the morning and 5 hours of one to one every afternoon  
Group courses are from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h with a coffee break from 11h-11h30  
One to one lessons are from 8h-9h or from 16h30

\*HOURS ARE 60 MINUTES LONG AT FRENCH IN NORMANDY

## • DELF and DALF Preparation Courses

### • DEDICATED DELF/DALF

15 hours of general French courses to work on tenses, structures and vocabulary with 10 hours of dedicated exam preparation every afternoon

PERIOD All year starting every Monday

LENGTH 4 or more weeks

TIMES Group courses are from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h and from 14h-16h daily with a coffee break from 11h-11h30;

MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15

MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16

HOURS\* 25 per week

LEVELS All

### • DELF/DALF COMBI COURSE

15 hours of general French courses to work on tenses, structures and vocabulary with 5 hours weekly of dedicated individual exam preparation.

PERIOD All year starting every Monday

LENGTH Minimum one week

TIMES Group courses are from 9h30-11h and 11h30-13h daily with a coffee break from 11h-11h30

MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15

MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16

HOURS\* 15 per week

LEVELS All

### • DEMI DELF/DALF

PERIOD All year starting every Monday

LENGTH Minimum one week

TIMES Delf Dalf preparation courses are from 14h-16h

MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15

MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16

HOURS\* 10 per week

LEVELS All

### • DELF/DALF DISTANCE

Start or prepare your DELF DALF Diploma from the comfort of your own home:

PERIOD: All year

LENGTH: Minimum 2 weeks

TIMES: To be arranged individually

COURSE: One hour of individual telephone tuition in two thirty minute blocks weekly including

Oral test weekly by telephone

under exam conditions

LEVELS B2, C1 and C2



### • BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL FRENCH COURSES

FIN offers top quality one-to-one training for business. Lessons are tailor made to suit individual needs and levels with the emphasis on specific vocabulary and communication within a given context. Courses are 15, 25 or 30 hours or a total immersion of 50 hours including lunch with your trainer. Specialised courses can also be designed for small groups to suit a company's specific needs. Please contact us for further details.

### • FRENCH AND CUISINE

This course is a must for those wishing to combine language learning with the art of cookery and Normandy is the ideal place to do it.

PERIOD All year starting the first Monday of every month

LENGTH One week or 2 weeks

MAXIMUM STUDENTS 15

MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN THIS COURSE 16

HOURS\* 15 hours of general French plus 3 afternoons of cookery classes

LEVELS ALL





# French in Normandy Pathway Programmes

## **Your journey to a French academic or vocational degree begins with a French in Normandy**

The innovative French in Normandy pathway programme provides international students a direct path to various graduate degrees at Universities, Business schools, Fine Arts, Fashion and Culinary schools in France or in other French speaking countries like Canada.

Our French Language programmes will give you the necessary linguistic skills and essential academic foundation, plus a DELF B2 or a DALF C1/2 test preparation to successfully move on to your degree course.

With French in Normandy's French Pathway programme students get a clear path into undergraduate or graduate study with both excellent French language and study skill preparation.

French in Normandy's pathway will not only prepare students for further study but also provide them with the highest level of support during their transition year abroad, making it an ideal choice for international students who need to acquire French language skills in order to live and study in France or in a French speaking country.

## **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

### **STAGE 1**

The French in Normandy French Foundation Course.

French in Normandy is proud to offer students the opportunity to continue their education in France. Students can take a French Language course at FIN before entering their chosen establishment with the appropriate language skills for successful completion of the degree. Alternatively, students undertaking programmes in English can take a French language course at FIN because it is a wonderful introduction to France and French living.

FIN has a great socio-cultural programme and a dedicated staff ready to help students adjust to a new country. The focus is therefore on basic and progressive language acquisition. During the final three months students prepare for the DELF B2 or DALF C1 exam depending on their progress and also enjoy specific workshops to acquire some specialized vocabulary.

We will provide you with the necessary skills for your academic journey. In addition, our «Pathway Programme» provide study skills and knowledge of the French environment- in order for you to meet the expectations of university studies in France.

Conditional Offer to a Degree Programme after a «French in Normandy Pathway».

When you have successfully completed a «Pathway Programme», you may enter into a pre-selected and eligibility assessed degree programme without any further language testing.

### **START AND ENTRY DATES**

School Start month / Level French in Normandy  
For beginners: September December year 1  
Level B1: Before March year 1 September year 2  
September year 1

### **ENTRY FRENCH IN NORMANDY : KEY FACTS**

Location Start dates Duration  
Rouen, France  
Any Monday.  
September to March  
For beginners 44 weeks (32 weeks of language classes + 12 weeks of Test Delf/Dalf preparation)  
For students with a B1: A 6 month course including DELF/DALF preparation and study skills course.  
Max students per class 15 students  
Full-time 25 hours per week

### **STAGE 2**

Enter your chosen institution in September!



# ACCOMMODATION

As French in Normandy is the only family-owned language school in Rouen, we can offer students the highest standards. We offer several types of accommodation including hotels, student residences and appartements but we strongly recommend home-stay especially for the first part of your visit. Most families are located within 35 minutes of the school and many are accessible on foot. All our accommodation is in single rooms unless otherwise requested. Homestays include breakfast and dinner from Monday to Friday and weekend lunches.

Our hospitality officer visits families regularly to check on all aspects of your stay with them. We make every effort to ensure the perfect match between students and families. Students with dietary or other particular needs only to ask and we will find the right family for them.



## - HOMESTAY

Our selected home-stay families understand the importance of their role in making your visit both successful and enjoyable. They will not only introduce to you to the French way of life and help you to practice the language but will also give you a taste of our delicious regional dishes.

## - EXECUTIVE STAY

For students who wish to have a private bathroom.

## - BED AND BREAKFAST

Some of our families are happy to offer students bed and breakfast only.

## - STUDIO IN FAMILY

Some of our host families have private appartements for rent within the family home



## • RESIDENCE

For students preferring to stay in student residence accommodation we offer 3 possibilities in Rouen: a brand new residence near the school offers a superior standard and services including breakfast while the others are in the centre of town and offer comfortable basic accommodation with private bathroom facilities.

We can also arrange furnished appartements for those wishing a different self-catering option.

The city of Rouen also has a modern and recently refurbished Youth Hostel.

If you wish to book alternative accommodation, we are happy to help you find the right place

## • HOTELS

French in Normandy works with a selection of the best hotels in Rouen including:

**5\* Hôtel de Bourghéroutde**

**4\* Hôtel du Vieux Marché, Hôtel Mercure Cathédrale**

**3\* Hôtel de l'Europe, Hôtel de Dieppe,**

**2\* Hôtel de la Cathédrale**

**1\* Hôtel de Quebec**

Our selection of hotels are all within 30 minutes from the school. Reservations will need a valid credit card to confirm the booking.



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