

Saint-Etienne, the choice of a city on a human scale

Created in 1977, the International Center for Language and Civilisation (CILEC) is the school dedicated to French as a foreign language teaching at Jean Monnet University.

The CILEC welcomes every year 500 students coming from more than 30 different countries.









Saint-Etienne, a city known for the good and warm welcome given to anyone visiting is also the most affordable city to live in France.

Being close to Lyon (45 mintues by train), Saint-Etienne is perfectly located to travel to the Alpes, the French Riviera and Paris.

At the CILEC, a team will be fully dedicated at your disposal to facilitate your integration, accompany you during your learning of French language and civilisation as well as for your admistratives procedures.

1. If you register for 4 weeks, we can offer you a free accommodation reservation service.

Private student residences 18m² to 24m² furnished studio flats Monthly rent : from €580 to € 680

Host family

Full board with 3 meal included:m

Monthly rent : € 690

2. You register for 2 weeks, you will find hotel proposals in the application package.



Courses and registration

Our summer courses are specially designed for foreigners of A1, A2, B1 ad B2 levels who wish to improve their knowledge of the French language (writing, reading, listening and speaking) and French culture.

Training reserved for Latin alphabet writers.

	Training periods	Prices
2 weeks	From 23 rd June to 4 th July 2025	€ 400
2 weeks	From 7 th to 18 th July 2025 Beginner not accepted	€ 400
4 weeks	From 23 rd June to 18 th July 2025	€ 680

Weekly schedule

- 18H of general french by level from Monday to Friday, from 9am to 12pm Wednesday, from 2pm to 5pm
- 2H of personal work in the library, one afternoon in the week
- Cultural or sport activities some afternoons and evenings

Validation of the training:

A certificate of training will be issued to you. If you have followed 4 weeks of courses, 6 ects will be attributed to you. It is up to you to contact your university of origin for a possible recognition.

Registration modalities - Two situations

1. You are paying for your training yourself

Download or request the application form to **cilec@univ-st-etienne**. **fr**

Return it completed and signed, with a French level certificate before the 11th May 2025.

A level test will be carried out on the first day of the course.

2. You are requesting your employer or Pôle Emploi to finance your training

Download or request Continuing Education (FC) funding regisration form to cilec@univ-st-etienne.fr and return it completed before the 1st May 2025.

An online test will be sent and a date for an oral interview will be proposed to you. Then, a quote or an agreement will be sent to your

The CILEC keeps the possibility to close a level group or cancel the training if there are not enough participants. Registration and payment modalities as well as the terms of refund can be found on the application form.











Contact us for more information





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