INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HANDBOOK

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I. STUDY AT PURPAN

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A. INFORMATION ABOUT PURPAN AND ITS ENVIRONMENT

The Ecole d'Ingénieurs de PURPAN, a Jesuit private College founded in 1919, has maintained a spirit of direct collaboration with the agricultural environment. It is administered by a non-profit association and depends on the French Ministry of Agriculture. The campus is very pleasant and at a human scale.

Our main programme: The “Ingénieur” curriculum:

This programme is a 5-year curriculum, taught in French. It awards the degree of “Ingénieur de PURPAN” which is equivalent to an MSc in Agriculture. Students are admitted after the French “Baccalauréat”, or directly into 2nd or 3rd year (after a two-or-three-year university degree).

PURPAN's main curriculum is based on 3 key principles: intensive academic studies, on-the-job experience, strong international exposure. Future graduates are trained for top positions in a wide range of professional fields.

PURPAN's alumni are to be found in various career opportunities: management, agribusiness, food industry, agriculture, rural development, sustainable agriculture, environment, research, banking, insurance and education, in Europe and other foreign countries.

Other education and training offers through PURPAN (not exhaustive):

- Not open to exchange students:
  - Quality & Innovation Technician and Marketing Executive in the Food Industry (3-year degree level: AIRFIC): 70 students (in French)
  - Licence (bachelor)“Commerce et vente” (in French)
  - Licence professionnelle (professional bachelor) “métiers de l’élevage” (in French)

- For international students (courses taught in English):
  - International Bachelor Certificate in Animal Productions & Food Science (IBC):
    - Fall Semester: focus on Animal Productions; Spring Semester: focus on Food Science
  - Summer Study Abroad Program (SSAP) - this program includes a fee program:
    - Click here for more information
    - Through our France Agro ³ network:* 
      - Open to bilateral exchange students:
      - MSc EURAMA coordinated by PURPAN: European curriculum in Animal Sciences, Technologies & Economics (applications must be accepted by the program organizer). Semester 1 takes place at PURPAN (and is open to exchange students according to prerequisite knowledge and English proficiency): www.eurama.org
      - Not open to bilateral exchange students:
      - MSc Agroecology: http://www.agroecos.fr / http://www.agroecology.fr/
      - DNM Food Identity: http://www.masterfoodidentity.com
PURPAN’s administrative and educational bodies:

In addition to its Board of Directors, PURPAN relies on its Administrative and Educational Team, plus over 135 teaching and administrative staff and around 150 visiting/professional lecturers (from industry, research institutes and other Universities) to train more than 1,000 students.

PURPAN’s environment:

PURPAN is located in Toulouse, in Southwestern France, one hour by plane from Paris.

4th largest city in France, famous for its unique red brick and stone ancient buildings, Toulouse is also the 2nd largest university town in France and a pioneer scientific city, especially in aeronautics and space.

Located in France’s most important agricultural region, Toulouse also remains attached to its traditions.

There is plenty to do downtown, Toulouse being one of the liveliest cities in France and sharing nearby Spain’s love for partying.

Toulouse’s cultural mosaic enlivens the region’s various entertainment activities, and gives a southern European tone to its night-life. It offers at the same time exciting prospects and an easy way of life that attracts many people.

At the crossroads of Europe, Toulouse is only a 6 hour drive from Madrid, a 4 hour drive from Barcelona, and 2 hours by plane from many European countries such as Italy, Austria, Switzerland, etc. The city is also at the crossroads of the Atlantic Ocean, the Mediterranean Sea and the Pyrenean Mountains.
## B. CONTACT: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE

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<td>(exchange, IBC, EURAMA programs &amp; students / Dual Degrees)</td>
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*International Relations Office opening hours: Monday to Friday, from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 17:00*
C. ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019-2020

“Ingénieur“ program (main program):

The “Ingénieur“ program lasts 5 years in total. The first 3 years correspond to Bachelor (BSc) level courses, and the last 2 years correspond to Master (MSc) level courses.

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<th>STUDY YEAR</th>
<th>SEMESTERS OF COURSES</th>
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<td>1st year</td>
<td>Semester 1 (Fall) = from September to December (+ re-take exams in February)</td>
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<td>(BSc level)</td>
<td>Semester 2 (Spring) = from January to May (+re-take exams in June)</td>
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<td>2nd year</td>
<td>Semester 3 (Fall) = from October to February (+re-take exams in March)</td>
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<td>(BSc level)</td>
<td>Semester 4 (Spring) = from February to June (+re-take exams in June)</td>
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<td>3rd year</td>
<td>Semester 5 (Fall) = from October to February (+re-take exams in March)</td>
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<td>(BSc level)</td>
<td>Semester 6 (Spring) = from February to May (+re-take exams in June)</td>
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<td>4th year</td>
<td>No Semester 7 (Fall) at PURPAN (period abroad), only a few courses in January / February</td>
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<td>(MSc level)</td>
<td>Semester 8 (Spring) = from February to May (+re-take exams in June)</td>
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<td>5th year</td>
<td>No Semester 9 (Fall) at PURPAN (end-of-studies internships)</td>
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<td>(MSc level)</td>
<td>Semester 10 (Spring) = from January to beginning of April (then, thesis defence)</td>
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Exchange students can arrive either from beginning of September (for Fall Semester or for full Academic year), or from beginning of January (for Spring Semester) to follow a Welcome and Orientation Session + French as a foreign language classes and an Intercultural Module, as well as the “Ingénieur“ courses chosen.

Welcome & Orientation Sessions for exchange students (attendance is mandatory for all exchange students):
- Orientation for Fall Semester or full Academic year: September 4th, 2019 (students need to arrive in Toulouse for September 3rd at the latest)
- Orientation for Spring Semester: January 9th, 2020 (students need to arrive in Toulouse for January 3rd at the latest; courses start back on January 6th)

International Bachelor Certificate (IBC) program:

Fall Semester (Major in Animal Productions):
- Welcome & Orientation: Monday September 9th, 2019; students need to arrive in Toulouse for September 6th
- Classes: From September 10th to December 20th, 2019

Spring Semester (Major in Food Science):
- Welcome & Orientation: Tuesday January 7th, 2020; students need to arrive in Toulouse for January 6th
- Classes: From January 8th to May 29, 2020

EURAMA program:

Semester 1 of the MSc at PURPAN :
- Welcome & Orientation: Thursday August 30th, 2019
- Classes: From Monday September 2nd to December 19th, 2019

SSAP program:

On-campus program: From June 2nd to 26th, 2020
- Internship: From June 29th to July 24th, 2020
PURPAN's ACADEMIC HOLIDAYS

**Toussaint Holiday (= All Souls')**  
October 26th to November 3rd, 2019 (included)  
(only for IBC students & 1st year students of the "Ingénieur" programme)

**Christmas Holiday**  
December 21st, 2019 to January 5th, 2020 (included)

**Winter Break**  
February 15th to 23rd, 2020 (included)

**Spring Break**  
April 11th to 19th, 2020 (included)

Please note that the EURAMA program does not follow the same academic holidays calendar. For more information, please contact the EURAMA’s Coordinator (for more details: [www.eurama.org/](http://www.eurama.org/))

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2019-2020  
(= no classes and shops are often closed)

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<td>November 1st, 2019 (Friday)</td>
<td>Holiday “Toussaint” = All Souls’ Day</td>
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<td>November 11th, 2019 (Monday)</td>
<td>Holiday “Armistice” - end of World War I</td>
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<td>December 25th, 2019 (Wednesday)</td>
<td>Christmas</td>
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<td>January 1st, 2020 (Wednesday)</td>
<td>New Year’s Day</td>
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<td>April 13th, 2020 (Monday)</td>
<td>Easter Monday</td>
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<td>May 1st, 2020 (Friday)</td>
<td>Labour Day</td>
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<td>May 8th, 2020 (Friday)</td>
<td>End of World War II</td>
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<td>May 21st, 2020 (Thursday)</td>
<td>Ascension Day</td>
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<td>June 1st, 2020 (Monday)</td>
<td>Whit Monday / Pentecost</td>
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<td>July 14th, 2020 (Tuesday)</td>
<td>National Day “Bastille Day”</td>
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<td>August 15th, 2020 (Saturday)</td>
<td>Assumption</td>
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### D. REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

| Application                  | - **Exchange/Erasmus’ students** need to be firstly nominated by their Home Institution to Sarah PRINCE (sarah.prince@purpan.fr) + Delphine SEGUI (delphine.segui@purpan.fr) by e-mail. Secondly, according to the study program chosen, they will be sent the updated application forms to complete, with guidelines.  
|                             | - **Candidates for MSc EURAMA (degree seeking)** must apply for official admission to the MSc by contacting the Coordinator (for more details: www.eurama.org) |

| Application deadlines        | For Fall Semester only, or full Academic year _________________________June 15th  
|                             | For Spring Semester __________________________________________October 1st  
|                             | For SSAP (Summer Study Abroad Program) ____________________________March 15th |

| Useful information regarding the “Ingénieur” programme | Workload:  
|                                                        | Concerning the “Ingénieur” program, PURPAN follows the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS): each academic year amounts to 60 ECTS. A semester workload in the “Ingénieur” programme thus corresponds to 30 ECTS.  
|                                                        | However, this curriculum including not only courses, but also internships and reports not always accessible to exchange students, their course load cannot correspond to 30 ECTS per semester.  
|                                                        | **Exchange students can usually choose courses worth between 15 to 25 ECTS per semester** in the “Ingénieur” program. They should thus inquire about their Home Institution requirements, and check how they can reach them with this program.  
|                                                        | **Course choice:**  
|                                                        | Exchange students generally choose a majority of courses from 3rd and 4th year, (rarely from 2nd year, 1st year is too basic). Access to 5th year courses is possible but restricted to students with enough academic background and who are fluent in French.  
|                                                        | **Final enrolment in classes is subject to prior acceptance** (prerequisites and background need to be checked with Sarah PRINCE).  
|                                                        | **Schedules:**  
|                                                        | Students choosing courses from different years of studies will face timetable conflicts (= courses overlapping), which will certainly lead them to give up some courses. Consequently, they are advised to choose courses from the same year of study.  
|                                                        | Students choosing “Ingénieur” courses cannot mix them with courses from other study programs at the same period (for example “IBC”) because it is technically impossible (timetable conflicts / courses overlapping). Students must thus choose courses from 1 study program for 1 semester at least.  
|                                                        | You can contact Sarah PRINCE and Delphine SEGUI for more information. |
**Linguistic knowledge**

**For the “Ingénieur” program:**

The language of tuition is **French**.
Exchange students who want to participate in the “Ingénieur” program need to have a **level B1 in French** at least (according to the CEFRL: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages*).
However, a **level B2 is recommended** to study in good conditions.
We will offer 30 hours of French as a Foreign Language classes at the beginning of each Semester. The aim is not to reach the B2 level, it’s more to help students adapt to the change of language of tuition (oral + written) and eventually detect improvements to be made.

**For IBC:**

The language of tuition is **English**.
We ask students to have a **level B1 in English** at least (according to the CEFRL: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages*).
However, a **level B2 is recommended** to study in good conditions.
In addition, we will offer 20 hours of French as a Foreign Language classes ("survival French", at levels A1-A2) at the beginning of each Semester.

**For EURAMA:**

The language of tuition is **English**.
In order to study in good conditions, we ask a minimum level of **English**: TOEFL iBT: 80 / IELTS: 6 / TOEIC: 775, or equivalent.


Students also have the possibility to sign up for French courses within the framework of our network with the "Université Fédérale de Toulouse": ["Université Fédérale de Toulouse" French classes link](#)

Different modules of 25 hours offered. Cost = 50€ per module. Enrolment according to calendar and places.

**Best time for study exchange**

**Best time to come:**

- **to attend courses in French:**
  Either for the entire Academic year, or from January (Spring Semester), because the course offer is bigger than in September (Fall Semester). Indeed, 4th & 5th year courses of the “Ingénieur” program start back from January only.

- **for placements within Laboratories:**
  From September (but this possibility must be checked beforehand with Sarah PRINCE; offer must match with demand, it is not automatic).

No courses (nor placements) available in August (Holiday period).
## E. EQUIPMENT

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<td>5,248 print year reports</td>
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<td>Bibliographic and full text databases</td>
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<td>Main themes: Agriculture, Law, Economics, Animal and Plant productions, Fundamental applied sciences in agriculture</td>
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<td>Alarm and video surveillance system.</td>
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<td>Rooms equipped with computers with access to Internet for courses &amp; personal use during set times (please check conditions upon arrival).</td>
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<td><strong>Personal laptop recommended</strong> (Wi-Fi access).</td>
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<td>A photocopier for students, to be used through a card to obtain upon arrival with the BDE (Student Union).</td>
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<td>A language laboratory, a reading room, students common rooms.</td>
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## F. SPORTS AND HOBBIES

The BDE (Bureau des Elèves i.e. Student Union) is organizing the various and numerous activities proposed from students to students: [bde@etudiants.purpan.fr](mailto:bde@etudiants.purpan.fr)

**Sport:**
Sport at University usually takes place on Thursday afternoons, knowing that the University championship begins in October (cost for the licence is around 25€). Many sports available (individual or team sports). PURPAN has the reputation of being very active at a University level.

**Equipment:**
- Basket ball, volley ball, handball pitches.
- Football/Rugby field.
- 2 tennis courts.

**Clubs (not exhaustive):**
- Wine club
- Meat Club
- Nains de jardin (gardening)
- Banda (music)
- Chaplaincy
- Club “Partir” (help for students going abroad)
- HODACE (humanitarian operations)
- Student press (PURPAN Flash)
- Junior Entreprise etc.
G. OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT PURPAN

TRANSPORT NEAR PURPAN

By bus:
Lines n° L2 or 45 or 63 as follows:
- Bus n°L2: “Grande Bretagne” stop at the entry of PURPAN
- Bus n°45: “Casselardit” stop at 5 minutes walking distance from PURPAN
- Bus n°63: “Chardonne” stop at 10 minutes walking distance from PURPAN

By tramway: Line T1 or T2: “Casselardit” stop at 5 minutes walking distance from PURPAN
Timetables available [here](#)

By bike:

VéloToulouse: availabilities can be checked here
- Station n° 226 : 292 rue des Fontaines, around 5 minutes walking distance from PURPAN.
- Station n° 236 : rue de l’Abbé Jules Lemire, 10 minutes walking distance from PURPAN

There are several bicycle parking spots at disposal; lock key and helmet are recommended.

How to get to PURPAN
75 voie du TOEC – BP 57611 – 31076 TOULOUSE Cedex 3

Smoking is forbidden inside the buildings.
### II. PREPARING YOUR ARRIVAL AND STAY

#### A. ARRIVAL IN TOULOUSE

**By plane:**
Catch a plane to the nearest airport: the International Airport of Toulouse-Blagnac.
From the airport, there are different possibilities to reach your accommodation:

- The easiest way is to take a taxi (on an indicative basis, straight to PURPAN is about a 10 minutes' drive and costs around 30 € - according to the traffic)
- If you think it’s too expensive to take a taxi and you want to save money, you can take the local public transportation:
  - the tramway line T2 “Envol” connects the airport to the current tramway line T1 at “Ancely” stop, to the metro line A at “Arenes” stop, and to the metro line B at “Palais de justice” stop.
  - the Airport Shuttle (“Navette aéroport”, ≈ 8 €) drives you into town to the railway station* “Gare routière de Matabiau” (this shuttle stops at Compans Caffarelli, then Jeanne d’Arc and then Jean Jaures: there, you can catch the metro lines A and B).

**By train:**
Arrival at the railway station* = “Gare routière” Matabiau downtown.

**By bus:**
Arrival at the bus station “Gare routière des Voyageurs” Paul Sémard, just next to the railway station* (Eurolines, Flixbus, Ouibus express buses direct from many European Countries).

*From the railway station, you have several possibilities of transportation:
- Métro, line A “Marengo” stop.
- Buses n° L8 & 14
- Bikes to rent (Indigo Weel or VéloToulouse: nearest station: n° 96 situated at 50, rue du Général Compans).

You also have the possibility to obtain an Airport/Train station pick up for 33 € with Toul’Box

Before you finalize your travel arrangements to Toulouse, please check that they are convenient (do not forget that arrival dates have to coincide with Orientation Days, beginning of classes & your lodging possibilities).

Once you have arranged and confirmed your arrival, you will need to send us a “Travel Plans” document completed with dates, hours, and means of travel, for our information.
B. REACHING PURPAN

You are expected to arrive at PURPAN in time for the specific Welcome & Orientation Session organized for the study program you are taking part in (mandatory for all international students).

During each Session, we will detail all the useful information you may need for your study period here (practical information for your studies at PURPAN as well as for your everyday life in Toulouse and in France).

Should you need to see us before the Orientation Session, please inform us in advance of your intended visit, so that we can make arrangements to receive you.

➔ Students arriving from January in the “Ingénieur” program:
   Be careful, classes start back before the Orientation session !
   So, make sure you go to the classes you have chosen, if they take place during the first days of classes (you will be sent your schedule of classes by e-mail beforehand).

For a reminder of the different Orientation sessions put in place :
I. C. ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019-2020

To check how to reach PURPAN:
I.G. OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT PURPAN
C. VISA FORMALITIES

After admission at PURPAN (upon receipt and process of your application), we will send an Admission letter to you and/or to your Home University.

In the meantime, you are invited to check if you need to ask for a visa for France by following this link: https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en_US/web/france-visas/ai-je-besoin-d-un-visa (usually yes for non-EU students and/or for stays exceeding 90 days).

If you need a visa, you must begin the application process with the nearest French Consulate or Embassy in your current Country of residence. Since visa procedures can take long and differ from one Country to another, please begin as soon as you can and well before your departure.

Please click on the following link to find your nearest French Consulate or Embassy, thanks to the world map and/or list (in French language): http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/le-ministere-et-son-reseau/annuaires-et-adresses-du-maedi/ambassades-et-consulats-francais-a/

You will be notified whether you must apply for a Residence permit (= “Carte de séjour”) once in France (visa marked “CESEDA R.311-3”), or whether you are exempted (visa marked “long séjour temporaire” with mention “dispense temporaire de carte de séjour”).

Within the first 3 months following your arrival, you must register and validate your visa at the following website:


This quick and simple process will ensure that you are registered as a legal resident in France in order to complete your relocation in France.

You will need to provide:

- a valid e-mail address
- your visa information
- the date on which you entered France
- your home address in France
- your credit card details in order to pay a fee online for the issuance of your residence permit (for other means of payment, please visit the link above)

If you fail to validate your visa within the first 3 months following your arrival, you will no longer be considered a legal resident in France and will be unable to re-enter the Schengen Area (no travelling without having completed this procedure after the first 3 months following your arrival)

We can help you with this procedure upon your arrival at PURPAN.

Contact: Delphine SEGUI.
D. COST OF LIVING

Cost of living in France can be compared with most other European countries.

For basic expenses such as food, accommodation and local transport, a student should budget between 550 € to 750 € per month.

On an indicative basis, French authorities require foreign students to prove that they have at least 615 € per month, when applying for a visa or a resident permit renewal.

You must thus check that your budget meets the under-mentioned costs, when considering your study at PURPAN:

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<td>Food (3 € 25 a meal in the university cafeterias)</td>
<td>≈ 200 to 400</td>
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<td>Local transportation:</td>
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<td>bus tickets for 31 days:</td>
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<td>if under 26 years old</td>
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<td>if more than 26 years old</td>
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<td>Healthcare insurance (indicative)</td>
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<td>Leisure + other personal costs (indicative)</td>
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E. ACCOMMODATION

There is no student hall on the PURPAN campus. However we can help you find flats to share, host family owned rooms, or rooms in student Residences near PURPAN, according to our possibilities and your study period.

You sometimes have to use temporary solutions at first, but we usually try to provide you with a lodging solution for the entire period of stay; unless you want to deal with this by yourselves. Contact: Delphine SEGUI.

The first month, one has usually to pay a one-month rent security deposit, on top of the rent. If you have to pay it, don’t worry you will get it back at the end of your stay, unless you cause damage. Make sure you carry out a check-in and check-out of your accommodation (“Etat des Lieux d’Entrée et de Sortie”).

One has to warn the owner 1 month in advance before departure (“Préavis”), generally by sending a letter by recorded delivery to the owner (“lettre recommandée avec accusé de réception”).

You may obtain in certain cases a state allowance for lodging, but it is not always the case: for EU students, usually yes; for other students, it depends on your visa category.

The procedure requires a certain amount of papers (Birth certificate translated into French & certified by an official translator, marriage certificate, income certificate, rent contract, rent receipt, copy of your French student card, bank account details, certificate concerning your status in France – carte de séjour – etc…).

More information can be obtained upon your arrival from the “Caisse d’allocations familiales” (http://www.caf.fr).

Main office : rue Riquet, Toulouse. Tél. +33(0)5 61 99 77 00.
F. HEALTH AND INSURANCE

**Insurances**

It is **compulsory** by French law for students to be covered for the entire period of their stay for:

→ **medical cost & hospitalization**:

1) for EU students: European Insurance Health Card. It is free and must be asked for by contacting your health insurance institution before departure from your Home Country. For more information: http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559;

2) for non-EU students staying < 3 months: international private Insurance of your choice;

3) for non-EU students staying > 3 months: international private Insurance of your choice; or you have the possibility to subscribe to the French Healthcare system “Assurance Maladie” for free. For more information: https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/

→ **personal civil liability** (= “third-party damage”) - international private Insurance or upon your arrival in France with a French insurance center for students or a French bank.

→ **work accidents** (for everyday travel from lodging to school & internships): PURPAN will register you to our Insurance MSA (Mutualité Sociale Agricole). To do so, you must give us a copy of your original birth Certificate and a translation in French by an official translator (+ your French visa, for non-EU students).

PURPAN also requests:

→ **Repatriation** (medical and repatriation of remains) to the home country (international private Insurance of your choice). It is better to purchase this insurance before departure of your Home Country since we cannot help you through (only possibility : a comprehensive insurance that covers you for all the risks and not just repatriation).

We will ask you to provide us with a proof of insurance coverage for the above-mentioned risks at the latest upon your arrival at PURPAN.

**Medical services**

→ working 24h/24:
C.H.U., Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Toulouse-PURPAN (right next to the school):
Place du Docteur Joseph Baylac, 31300 Toulouse
tel standard: (0)5 61 77 22 33.

To see a General Practitioner, you pay 25 € in advance and get reimbursed after, according to your percentage of coverage (please check with your insurance company or Social Security for conditions & papers required).

On an indicative basis, one of the nearest medical services from PURPAN is situated at: 64, avenue de Lardenne 31300 Toulouse. Tél: (0)5 34 50 15 01.

**Chemist’s / Pharmacy**

There are many “Pharmacies”.
The nearest is situated voie du TOEC. You usually pay and get reimbursed after, according to your percentage of coverage (please check with your insurance company or Social Security for conditions & papers required).

If you need medicine during the night or at week-ends, please phone the n°3966 to find out which is the “duty chemist’s”.
G. OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The “Université Fédérale de Toulouse” is the union of the main Universities and schools of engineering in Toulouse and its region (counting our Ecole d'Ingénieurs de PURPAN) that gives you access to several services such as:

**Welcome desk** (provides services and advice to all students): [https://welcomedesk.univ-toulouse.fr/liste-articles-information/international-students](https://welcomedesk.univ-toulouse.fr/liste-articles-information/international-students)

**Toul’Box** (comprehensive set of paying packages services to help you prepare your stay, from early project to your complete installation): [https://toulbox.univ-toulouse.fr/](https://toulbox.univ-toulouse.fr/)

For more information, and useful tips, don’t hesitate to have a look at the following video: [https://www.facebook.com/CampusFranceParis/videos/407245433204293/](https://www.facebook.com/CampusFranceParis/videos/407245433204293/)

**TRANSPORT**

Getting around in Toulouse:
Our public transport network “Tisseo” (City-bus + metro + tramway) offers the possibility of buying different cards that give you special reductions (rates for people under 26 years old, student rates, daily cards, monthly cards… according to your needs).
For more information, you can visit Tisseo’s website: [https://www.tisseo.fr/](https://www.tisseo.fr/)

Travel around in France and in Europe during your leisure time:

**By train:**
The nearest railway station is “Gare Matabiau”: 14 Boulevard Bonrepos, 31000 Toulouse. Access: metro line A "Matabiau” stop.
The “TGV” (= high speed train) connects for example Toulouse to Paris within 6 hours.
More information to be found on: [https://www.oui.sncf/](https://www.oui.sncf/)

**By plane:**
The nearest airport is Toulouse-Blagnac international airport at 10 minutes from PURPAN by car. There are a lot of flights with low cost airlines companies to European main cities.
More information to be found on: [http://www.toulouse.aeroport.fr/](http://www.toulouse.aeroport.fr/)

**By bus:**
Toulouse’s bus station “Gare routière des Voyageurs” Paul Sémard, is situated just next to the railway station*. There are a lot of offers for really low prices: Eurolines, Ouibus, Flixbus, etc.

**By car:**
Blablacar ([https://www.blablacar.fr](https://www.blablacar.fr)) is a trusted community marketplace that connects drivers with empty seats to passengers looking for a ride in 19 countries in Europe (including France).
EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS
Medical Emergency (SAMU) : 15
Police : 17
Firemen : 18
European Emergency Number : 112

Don’t forget to bring with you during your stay in France:

1. Your passport with your visa for France, or your national identity card if European. Photocopies are always recommended.

2. Your original birth certificate and a translation into French by an official translator (mentioning your parents’ names). Don’t forget to bring the original documents + photocopies.

3. Your personal insurance contract and documentation (see above II. F. HEALTH AND INSURANCE) for:
   → medical cost & hospitalization
   → personal civil liability
   → repatriation to the home country

4. Your school certificate “certificat de scolarité” that will be sent to you by e-mail prior to departure from your Home Country. It may be asked as a proof of enrolment to a French higher education institution during your administrative procedures. Otherwise, you can also show your Admission Letter.

5. A personal laptop computer.