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WELCOME TO ENSAD nancy!

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important dates

SEPTEMBER

- 14-18:** Orientation activities for exchange students
21: Start of fall semester for Bachelor and Master students

OCTOBER

- 26- 30:** Fall break

NOVEMBER

- 1:** Bank Holiday (Toussaint)
11: Bank holiday (Armistice 1918)
16-19: "Semaine spéciale" (each student follows a workshop run by teachers and/or invited artists)
23-27: Artem Insight (4th year students)

DECEMBER

- 21-31:** Christmas holiday

JANUARY

- 1 :** Bank Holiday (NewYear)
5-8: Evaluation session for 2nd and 4th year students
11-15: Evaluation session for 1st year students and 5th year students
18-20: Evaluation session for 3rd year students
25: Start of spring semester

FEBRUARY

- 6:** School's Open Day

MARCH

- 1-5:** Winter break
29: Bank holiday (Easter Monday)

APRIL

- 6:** Bank holiday (Easter Monday)
19-30: Spring break

MAY

- 1:** Bank holiday (Labour Day)
6-7: Bank holiday (Ascension Day)
17: Bank holiday (Whit Monday)
18-20: Evaluation session for 2nd year students
24-26: Evaluation session for 1st year students

JUNE

- 1-23:** Degree presentations (Bachelor and Master)

About the school

ENSAD Nancy is one of the 11 national higher art schools of the French Ministry of Culture. It is located in a new building on a recent campus, close to the city center. The school offers a wide range of facilities and services while conserving a family-like atmosphere with only 220 students. A strong peculiarity of the school is its partnership with an engineering school and a business school within the Artem Alliance. The school also hosts the ANRT (Atelier national de recherche typographique), a post-master's research center dedicated to typography and type design that attracts young researchers from all over the world.

Artem Alliance

Artem stands for Art, Technology, Management and is a partnership between Mines Nancy engineering school, ICN Business school and ENSAD Nancy. All year round, various workshops and projects bring together the students of all 3 schools for a unique interdisciplinary learning experience.

School facilities

- 16 studios are available for our students' projects: drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramic, printing, 3D designing and printing, photography, cinema and video, gaming, wood, metal, etc.
- A 260 m² art gallery presents several exhibitions each year
- A cafeteria and a computer room are available for the students

Student's e-mail address

Your school e-mail address will be: firstname.surname@mail.ensa-nancy.fr

School life

- The student club ("Bureau des Elèves" - BDE) organizes various social events throughout the year. You can follow them on Instagram [@ensad.nancy.bde](https://www.instagram.com/ensad.nancy.bde) or contact them by e-mail: bde@mail.ensa-nancy.fr
- You can also enroll with our 2 sports clubs
- You can get 2nd hand materials from our "Récupérathèque" handled by a dynamic group of students

Follow the school's activities on Instagram [@ensadnancy](https://www.instagram.com/ensadnancy)

ABOUT THE CAMPUS

ENSAD Nancy is located on the Artem Campus together with Mines Nancy engineering school, ICN Business School and Institut Jean Lamour, a research laboratory dedicated to materials science. The campus also hosts a middle school (Collège Niki de Saint-Phalle) and various facilities and services.

Campus restaurant

A CROUS restaurant serves warm meals for lunch in addition to a take away service open from 7:30 am to 3 pm. From May 2026 on it offers 1€ meal to all student card-holders.

Campus library

You can access the university library located on the campus from 8:30 am until 9 pm. It is possible to reserve your books online through [ULysse platform](#)

[See the library's video](#)

Local stores

Many local stores can be found a few minute walk from the campus: market, supermarket, bakery, Japanese restaurant, burger restaurant, etc.

Good to know: Around 15 minute walk from the campus, you can find a second-hand shop named Emmaüs. It is a great place to buy cheap furniture, clothes, kitchenware, etc.

https://www.facebook.com/54emmaus/?locale=fr_FR

Local transportation

Two bus and trolley lines (1 and 11) connect the campus to the city center and train station in 10 to 15 minutes.

SUPPORT TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

ENSAD Nancy hosts more than 30 international students and young artists and designers from around 30 countries.

In order to help them feel at home, our school offers various programs: French classes, membership program, international events.

French courses

An evening French course is available each semester for our exchange students (2 ECTS).

French courses run by volunteers can also be followed weekly at a youth cultural centre downtown (MJC Lillebonne). They are aimed at migrants and are run by volunteers from Monday to Friday from 10 to 11:30 am.

Mentorship program

Students who know the school well and can speak foreign languages are here to help you with any question (administrative tasks, questions about the lessons, where to buy this or that, etc.).

International events

International events intended to exchange students and open to all school's students are organized throughout the year: international week, cultural visits, pub quiz, workshop on a specific country, Erasmus Days, etc. You are invited to take an active part in these events!

health and social security

Registration to the French social security system is free and compulsory. It entitles you to coverage of your healthcare expenses for the duration of your studies in France. Your enrollment is different whether you are a European citizen or not.

If you belong to a member country of the European Union

Before coming to France, you need to ask for your European Health Insurance Card (if you do not have one already). You will receive it after 10 or 15 days. If you already have this card, you must make sure that it is valid until the end of the academic year.

Thanks to this card, your medical expenses will be refunded following the same conditions as in your home country.

If you are not a European Union citizen

Once in France and after completing your registration at ENSAD Nancy, you must enroll to the social security system on this website available in different languages: <https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/>

You will need to provide the following documents:

- A certificate of school enrollment (it will be given to you by ENSAD Nancy upon arrival)
- A passport or ID card
- A vital record (e.g. birth certificate)
- A visa or residence permit
- A banking information slip ("RIB")

Please be aware that Social Security does not cover 100% of your healthcare expenses. To increase the amount of your healthcare expenses that is reimbursed, you may take out a complementary health insurance ("Mutuelle").

How to find a doctor in France?

When enrolled in the French social security system, it is compulsory to have a primary care physician ("médecin traitant"). You can find one through Doctolib platform. After creating your personal account, you can look for "médecins généralistes" in your neighborhood and sort them by the languages they can speak.

<https://www.doctolib.fr>

housing insurance and liability insurance

Housing insurance

Housing insurance is compulsory and covers damages happening in your accommodation.

You can easily subscribe it online with various insurance companies such as Heyme Care:

<https://heyme.care/fr/assurance/packs-responsabilite-civile>

Liability insurance

Liability insurance is compulsory and covers damages caused by yourself to a third party.

Liability insurance is most of the time included in the housing insurance. If this is not the case, you can easily subscribe it online with various insurance companies such as Heyme Care:

<https://heyme.care/fr/assurance/packs-responsabilite-civile>

ACCOMMODATION

Cost of student accommodation in Nancy ranges from 300€ to 600€/month. Since there are 50 000 students in Nancy, you may have a hard time finding your accommodation. ENSAD Nancy does not provide its exchange students with housing but you will find below a lot of resources to help you find a place to stay.

Resources provided by the Université de Lorraine

<https://www.univ-lorraine.fr/welcome/en/finding-accommodation>

CROUS dormitories

CROUS is the main public organization providing services for students that include cheap accommodation in university residences.

In order to book a CROUS accommodation, you should first create your personal account on

<https://www.messervices.etudiant.gouv.fr/envole/enregistrement>

After creating your account, go to <https://trouverunlogement.lescrous.fr> and click on "Search for accommodation". The nearest university residences are located in Nancy, Laxou, Vandœuvre-lès-Nancy and Villers-lès-Nancy. After selecting a residence, you will have to provide specific documents.

Here is a document explaining step by step how to apply for a room in CROUS dormitories: <https://www.univ-lorraine.fr/welcome/wp-content/uploads/sites/41/2023/04/pas-a-pas-crous-me.pdf>

Lokaviz and Studapart

These platforms provide you with lists of student accommodations offered by private owners:

<https://www.lokaviz.fr/home/index/n:39>

<https://www.studapart.com/en/apartment-rental-nancy>

Livinfrance

This platform offers various services dedicated to students, among which a selection of furnished rooms in shared flats ("colocation"): <https://livinfrance.com/accommodation/list/Nancy?maxPrice=1500&type=room>

Private student residences

Odalys is located very close to Artem Campus:

<https://www.odalys-campus.com/en/residences/student-residence-in-nancy-green-lodge/>

Bergamote is located right between the train station and Artem Campus:

<https://associationparme.fr/residences/residence-bergamote/>

Facebook group “Etudiants de Nancy”

On this Facebook group, you can have access to housing announcements:

<https://fr-fr.facebook.com/groups/817267924962592/>

Le Bon Coin

On this website you can find many offers of furnished apartments for rent:

<https://www.leboncoin.fr/recherche?category=10&locations=Vandoeuvre-lès->

[Nancy_54500_48.65993_6.1725_3768%2CLaxou_54520_48.68435_6.15248_5000%2CVillers-lès-](https://www.leboncoin.fr/recherche?category=10&locations=Nancy_54500_48.65993_6.1725_3768%2CLaxou_54520_48.68435_6.15248_5000%2CVillers-lès-)

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Attention:

When renting an accommodation, you will be asked for a “caution solidaire”, meaning a person or a company that will certify being able to pay your rents in case you cannot pay them yourself. We advise you to require this “caution solidaire” through Visale (for students under 30): <https://www.visale.fr>

Good to know:

As a student you can get housing allowance from Caisse d’Allocations Familiales (CAF) once you have a regular social security number: <https://www.caf.fr/allocataires/caf-de-l-aube/offre-de-service/logement/aide-au-logement-etudiant-comment-faire>

TRANSPORTATION

Nancy is a little city and most places are at walking distance. But a good local public transportation network is also available. And there are more and more bike paths!

Bus

Many bus lines are available within Nancy and greater Nancy. It is free for young people under 18 and for everyone on Saturdays and Sundays. For the rest of the week, you can buy a monthly pass: 29€/month for students or a 10 ticket-pass (14,50€). <https://www.reseau-stan.com/titres-tarifs/tous-les-titres>

Bike

Bicycling is easy in Nancy and it is possible to rent a bike from 16€/month to 67€/year. <https://maisonduvelo.grandnancy.eu/louer-un-velo/tarifs>

Local trains

To visit neighboring cities like Metz, Epinal or even Strasbourg and Luxembourg City, the local train network (TER) is very good and rather cheap if you buy the "TER Fluo" tickets.

You can also buy "Carte Fluo Jeune" (only 1€ for under 26) and you will get a 50% discount on all your train tickets within the Grand-Est area.

<https://www.ter.sncf.com/grand-est/tarifs-cartes/cartes-reduction/carte-fluo>

Long distance trains

Nancy is connected to Paris thanks to the high-speed train (TGV). The capital city is then reachable in 1h30.

If you buy "Carte Avantage Jeune" (49€, but sometimes it is sold half price on Black Friday), you get a 30% discount on most trains.

<https://www.sncf-connect.com/app/catalogue/description/carte-avantage-jeune>

Plane

The nearest airport is Luxembourg-Findel. From there you can fly to many European cities. <https://www.lux-airport.lu>

bank account / mobile phone

La Banque Postale

If you need to open a French bank account, this can easily be done at a Banque Postale office. It usually takes up to 15 days until the account is activated (the international office and the mentor students will help you with this procedure).

La Banque Postale also offers cheap mobile phone subscriptions for around 10€ /month.

A FEW RESOURCES

Here is a list of links to websites that might be useful to you:

Université de Lorraine website for international students

Though ENSAD Nancy is not part of the university, you will find many useful information on this website:

<https://www.univ-lorraine.fr/welcome/en/home/>

Nancy tourist information office

<https://www.nancy-tourisme.fr/en/>

Campus France - About French Higher Education

<https://www.campusfrance.org/en>

Erasmus Student Network

<https://nancy.esnfrance.org/en/accueil-english/>

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING
YOU SOON!

