



# ILCF / ESDES Pathway

FULL-TIME STUDY

FRENCH LANGUAGE

**ILCF** offers **French language programs** designed to enable international students to **acquire the level of French required to enter higher education in France**, and more specifically to join **ESDES**, the **management school of UCLy**, under appropriate academic conditions.

## Benefit for ILCF students

Students who have completed a programme at ILCF benefit from a **10% tuition fee reduction** when pursuing their studies at ESDES.

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after completing a program at the ILCF

**B2 target level,**  
required for access to higher education in France

FOLLOWING A PROGRAM AT ILCF

## FURTHER STUDIES AT ESDES BUSINESS SCHOOL

LEARN FRENCH AT THE ILCF

### Preparing for Higher Education in France

**Organised by level** (from A0 to C1), the program follows a structured university framework and leads to the award of a **University Diploma in French Studies (DUEF)**.

Beyond language acquisition, the programs include:

- the development of oral and written skills in accordance with the CECRL
- training in French academic methods and study skills

- structured academic support (semester organisation and tutoring)
- cultural activities fostering progressive immersion in French language and culture
- immersion courses at ESDES

This preparation enables students to **progressively reach the required level, particularly B2**, for admission to a wide range of university and business school programs.

## STUDY AT ESDES

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ESDES Business School offers undergraduate (Bachelor's degree, 3 years) and postgraduate (Master's degree, 5 years) programs in management and business.

### Bachelor in Business (3 year degree)

A three-year program covering the fundamentals of management, business administration and international trade, with progressive specialisation.

### Master in Management (5 year degree)

A two-year program designed to deepen managerial and strategic competencies in preparation for positions of responsibility.

### Master of Science (MSc) (5 year degree)

Specialised programs taught in English, focused on specific areas of management and finance.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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Admission to ESDES programmes is based on academic requirements and language proficiency criteria specific to each programme.

### Academic requirements

- A High School Diploma (or equivalent qualification) is required for admission to the first year of the Bachelor programme
- Admission to the second or third year may be considered based on previous academic background

### Language requirements

- **No minimum level of French** is required for programmes taught in English
- **A minimum B2 level in French** is required for programmes taught in French
- **A minimum B2 level in English** is required for programmes taught in English

The programme followed at ILCF enables students to prepare and progressively reach the required language level within a structured academic environment.


### Selection process

- Review of the application file
- Motivational interview conducted in French or English
- Fully online application procedure

## PROGRAMME DATES & FEES

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### Tuition Fees

\* *Indicative fees for the 26-27 academic year. (These fees include civil liability insurance, library access, the UCLy health contribution, and solidarity fund contributions).*

\*\* *Estimated final proficiency level according to the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).*

### Academic Calendar

ESDES Business School offers several intake periods throughout the year, making it possible to continue directly from an ILCF French language programme into a degree programme:

- Bachelor in Business: September and February
- Master in Management: September
- Master of Science programmes: October and December

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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For any questions regarding the language programme or the ILCF-ESDES pathway:

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