Dear Student,

In the name of all the members of Lyon Catholic University (UCLy), I would like to say how happy I am to welcome you among us. It is also my pleasure to welcome you to our city, on behalf of the Université de Lyon, the Lyon-Saint Etienne consortium of Higher Education Institutions for training and research, of which UCLy is an associated member, and to the vast Auvergne - Rhône-Alpes region, which you will soon be starting to discover and, I sincerely hope, admire.

You have finally reached us at UCLy after going through procedures which may well have been both long and arduous, especially in this period of health crisis. The tradition of cultural and intellectual exchange and international friendship which brought you here is, as you will readily understand, considerably longer. The identity of UCLy is humanistic and universal, and the university attaches great importance to welcoming students and particularly foreign students who, even more than others, need individualised support. This guide is intended to make it as easy as possible for you to organise your stay and decide what you want to do in our university and in our city, so that your time and studies here will be rewarding both for you and, albeit less directly, for your country.

In addition to the help this guide will provide, you will also receive help and guidance from all the different Schools and Institutes within the university. They will probably be your first point of contact, but all the university services are also there to assist you, notably the International Relations Office which will try to make your integration easier.

I trust that you will make good use of this guide and I look forward to perhaps meeting you at one of our international events. In the meantime, I wish you an enjoyable and successful time

Olivier Artus, Rector
MISSION STATEMENT FOR HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT THE FRENCH CATHOLIC UNIVERSITIES

Lyon Catholic University pays particular attention to the needs of international students who are doing part or all of their studies at one of its schools or institutes.

In order to ensure that they are warmly welcomed, to enable them to feel at home as quickly and as effortlessly as possible and to create a climate of cultural exchange beneficial to the entire university, the representatives of UCLy hereby make the following commitments:

- **To respond quickly** to requests for information from international students, by giving explicit answers easily understandable to people of different cultural origins.

- **To offer personal attention** to students when they arrive, and to spend as much time as necessary to assist them with the material aspects of their arrival in Lyon, and the practicalities of joining the schools and institutes where they will be studying.

- **To give** them the chance to express and share their own cultural and spiritual identity and to encourage them to serve on the various representative bodies that are in charge of student affairs.

- **To help international students** with administrative formalities both inside and outside the university. One way of doing this is to identify staff members and French students who can give personalised assistance.

In accordance with the human and Christian values that inspire them, the members of UCLy consider that international students, through their linguistic, cultural and spiritual differences, serve to promote universality.
Lyon, administrative center of the Rhône department and European metropolis of over 1.5 million inhabitants, is situated at the confluence of the Rhône and Saône rivers. Lyon is a cultural, artistic and gastronomic centre, as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. As such, it has an abundance of architectural and cultural treasures.

It hosts events of international dimension such as the Dance and Art Biennale, the Nuits Sonores, the Nuits de Fourvière, the Fête des Lumières (Lyon Festival of Lights), etc.

Lyon offers a variety of cultural draws such as its Opera, House of Dance, theaters, museums, libraries... It is one of France’s most prominent centers for European business. Many foreign and domestic companies of international scale as well as international organizations (Interpol, Euronews, WHO, IARC ...) are located in Lyon and the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region.

Lyon is the second largest student city in France with four universities and several colleges. The scientific community is very dynamic with particular centers of excellence in the areas of medical research, biotechnology, transportation, clean technology and digital entertainment.

ARRIVING IN LYON

By plane  Lyon Saint-Exupéry airport [LYS]

How to get to the city centre from Lyon Saint-Exupéry airport
- The Rhônexpress shuttle train leaves from the airport every 30 minutes between 5 am and 6 am and between 9 pm and Midnight, and every 20 minutes between 6am and 9 pm, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Ticket price: 10 €.
- Carpooling : usually between 4 and 7 € through BlaBlaCar
- Bus [TCL] Bus line 47 Mezieu Z.I - Aéroport Lyon Saint-Exupéry. A departure every 30 minutes from 5:55 a.m. to midnight. Ticket price: 1,90 €. Access to the tramway line T3 in Meyzieu to reach the Part-Dieu train station


By public transport  TCL

Greater Lyon’s public transport network, ran by TCL, consists of metro and tram lines, funicular railways and bus routes.
- Campus Saint-Paul : Métro ligne A, arrêt Perrache - Tram : T1 arrêt Suchet
- Campus Carnot : Métro ligne A, arrêt Perrache - Tram : T1 et T2 arrêt Perrache

A single ticket, which lasts one hour, costs 1,90€ or 2,20€ if you buy your ticket on the bus. For people aged 18 to 25 and students aged 26 or 27, the monthly pass is 32.50 € per month.

+ further informations  www.tcl.fr

By train  Lyon Part Dieu and Lyon Perrache

The French rail network is operated by the SNCF [Société Nationale des Chemins de Fer]. Lyon is 2 hours from Paris, Marseille and Geneva by high-speed train [TGV : Train à Grande Vitesse]. Booking is mandatory for high speed trains, prices vary according to the day and time.

+ further informations  www.ouicr.com / www.ouigo.com

By car  Lyon centrer

- Follow the « Lyon centre » signs. Parking in the city centre is rather expensive and parking spaces are often hard to find.
- BlaBlaCar is a carpooling community platform. For local, regional or national trips, you can find interesting rates.

+ further informations  www.blablacar.fr

By bike  Vélo’v

Vélo’v is a bike rental service with over 5000 bikes available across more than 340 stations on a 24/7 basis (Electric bikes are also available). A single ride ticket costs 1,80 € and can be bought online or directly at a Vélo’v station kiosk by bankcard. A day Pass ticket costs 4 € and is valid for 24 hours.

Annual membership for 14-25 years old is 16,50 €. Depending on the card the membership is attached to, the first 30 or 45 minutes of each ride are free. Beyond that, you will be charged per minute.

+ further informations  www.velov.grandlyon.com
• Lyon is considered as the world capital of gastronomy.
• A bouchon is a unique type of restaurant found in Lyon that serves specialties of the region: andouillette (sausage of coarsely cut tripe), tablier de sapeur (beef tripe marinated in white wine, covered in breadcrumbs and fried), cervelle de Canut (cheese seasoned with chopped herbs and shallots), grattons (pork, goose, chicken or duck fat fried... in their fat!), quenelles (mixture of creamed fish or meat, with a light egg binding, formed into an egg-like shape).
• Lyon was historically known for the production and weaving of silk. The silk-weavers were called Canuts.
• Traboules are hidden passages connecting one street to another. Originally used by the Canuts during the 19th century to transport silk but also by the French Resistance during the Second World War. Silk weavers).

DOWNTOWN AND VIEUX-LYON MARKETS

• Food and flowers markets :
  Saint Antoine Célestins
  Throughout the year: open from Tuesday to Sunday from 6:00 am to 1:00 pm (1:30 pm Friday to Sunday)
  Quai Saint Antoine and quai des Célestins - Lyon 2
  Quai Augagneur
  Throughout the year: open from Tuesday to Sunday from 6:00 am to 12:30 pm (1:30 pm Friday to Sunday) and on Thursday afternoon from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
  Quai Augagneur – Lyon 3
  Croix-Rousse
  Throughout the year: open from Tuesday to Thursday from 6:00 am to 1:00 pm (1:30 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday)
  Boulevard de la Croix-Rousse - Lyon 4

• Farmer’s market (in the evening)
  Place Carnot – Lyon 2

• Organic market
  Boulevard de la Croix-Rousse - Lyon 4
  Saint-Jean
  Throughout the year: every Thursday from 6:00 am to 12:30 pm
  Place Edouard Commette, côté Manécanterie, Cathédrale St Jean - Lyon 5

Les halles de la Martinière
The grocery store is open from Monday to Saturday from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm
23 rue de la Martinière – Lyon 1

KEY MOMENTS IN LYON

• Dance and Art biennale
  September-October
  The biennale alternates between dance and art every year.

• Lumière festival of cinema
  October
  The worldwide event of classic cinema.

• Festival of Lights
  Around December 8th
  For 4 nights, a variety of different artists light up buildings, streets, squares and parks all over the city.

• Quais du Polar
  March
  A unique panorama of the world’s crime fiction with hundreds of authors for 3 days in Lyon.

• Nuits Sonores
  May
  During the ascension weekend, a festival that focuses on electronic music.

• Assises Internationales du Roman
  May
  A festival for the readers!

• Lyon BD Festival
  June
  To celebrate the art of comic, the city welcomes more than 200 writers.

• Consular parties
  June
  Get to know more about different cultures, traditions and foods with representatives from more than 50 countries.

• Nuits de Fourvière
  June – July
  A month and a half of various artistic representations: music, theater, dance, circus.

• Tout l’monde dehors !
  Summer
  Free events during the summer.
WELCOME TO ANNECY

Annecy, nicknamed «Venice of the Alps» for its canals that run through the old town and its lake with blue-green waters, is located 40 km from Geneva and 18 km from Chambéry. Perched at an altitude of 446 meters, Lake Annecy is the second largest natural lake in France and the first lake in Europe for the purity of its waters. As a city with a long story and an important Gallo-Roman influence, Annecy has also preserved a rich architectural heritage. Between lake and mountains, the capital of the Haute-Savoie is at the top of the 2020 ranking of cities where it is good to live.

ANNECY’S HIGHLIGHTS

A few days after the one in Venice, Annecy hosts its Venetian carnival with hundreds of masked and disguised people, who wander and parade through the streets in a quiet atmosphere. Annecy has become the world capital of animated films with its famous festival where several thousand professionals gather to select the best animated film of the year during which films are broadcast for free in theatres and outdoors. Annecy is known for its Savoyard specialties: fondue (comté, emmental and beaufort cheeses cooked with white wine and garlic), raclette (cheese melted over a fire and then scraped onto boiled potatoes), tartiflette (baked potatoes, reblochon cheese, lardons and onions) and its variant, the croziflette (potatoes are replaced with little pasta called crozets).

ARRIVING IN ANNECY

By plane
International Geneva airport (GVA)

How to get to the city centre from Geneva airport?
• Bus lines T72 and T74 leave from the airport to reach the center of Annecy.
• Carpooling: usually from 6 € through Blablacar

By train
Annecy

Annecy is 3 hours 40 minutes from Paris, 1 hour 50 minutes from Lyon and 1 hour 30 minutes from Geneva by train. The railway station is located 1.2 km from Alpes Europe Campus, which is a 15 minute walk.

By car
Annecy

1 hour 15 minutes from Lyon and 45 minutes from Geneva.

By public transports
Sibra

Alpes Europe Campus: Line bus 15, Balmettes stop
A single ticket, which lasts 1 hour, costs 1.50 €. Several transport pass are available for people under 26: monthly at 23.60 €, quarterly at 59 € and annual at 156 €. Some of them can be combined, for example train and bus or inter-city pass.

By bike
Véloce

More than 600 bikes are available in the city and its surroundings with several rental options. Students benefit from the following reduced rates:
• for a classic or folding bike: 4 €/day, 8 €/week, 13 €/month, 56 €/year
• for an electric bike: 8 €/day - 14 €/week - 20 €/month - 180 €/year

Welcome to Annecy

Annecy’s highlights

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VISA – RESIDENCE PERMITS

You are a citizen of the European Union, the European Economic Area, or Switzerland: No formalities are necessary. A valid identity card or passport is sufficient.

You are not a citizen of the European Union, the European Economic Area, or Switzerland: A passport is required to enter the French territory. Before departure, contact the French Embassy in your country and make sure that your passport expires at least 6 months after the final day of your stay.

1) Get a student visa
At the end of the registration process, British and non-EU candidates will have to apply for a long-stay visa valid as a residence permit.

If you apply from a country where the Campus France procedure is mandatory (Études en France / Study in France), you have to submit your application through the online procedure.

Refer to Campus France’s website: www.campusfrance.org/fr/candidature-procedure-etudes-en-france

Students generally benefit from a long stay visa, equivalent to a residency status (VLS / TS). It exempts from administrative formalities during the first year. However, the visa must be validated within 3 months of entering France.

Validate your visa online: www.etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/espace/#/

2) Renewal of residence permit
If you wish to pursue your studies at UCLy, you must apply for a renewal within 2 months before your student VLS-TS expires.

Do not hesitate to contact the International Student Desk (ISD), if you require help with your application.

After providing the list of required documents, the ISD will check them with you if necessary for the online submission of your application on the website: www.administration-etrangers-en-france.interieur.gouv.fr/particuliers/#/

+ further informations

Préfecture du Rhône : www.rhone.gouv.fr

LIVING IN FRANCE

1) Social Security – healthcare
If you are a citizen of the EU / EEA or Switzerland, you should apply to the social welfare organization of your country of origin for a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).

If you are not a citizen of the EU / EEA or Switzerland, the affiliation to the French social security is mandatory. You will have to do it online and submit the required documents: www.ameli.fr/quote-employant/fiches-de-demarches/europe-international/protection-sociale-france/vous-venez-etudier-en-france

Since this process cannot be completed before your arrival in France, it is therefore strongly recommended to take out insurance before your departure to cover your health expenses in France during the first months. Indeed, the registration to the social security is not effective immediately.

+ further informations

2) Banking
The French currency is the Euro (€). It is advised to open a bank account in France upon arrival. You must provide the following documents in order to open a bank account:

- a proof of address
- a valid identity card or passport
- a certificate of enrollment or a student card

3) Work in France
Most foreign students are allowed to work up to 60% of a full time job without any additional administrative authorization (check your status).

+ further informations

4) Student and Campus life contribution
Each student must pay a mandatory contribution of 90 € before registering at UCLy. To proceed, visit: www.messervices.etudiant.gouv.fr

This fee does not apply to exchange students.

For more information about practical matters of your life in France, about these administrative procedures, feel free to contact the International Student Desk (ISD).

DID YOU KNOW?

- Stores are generally open from 10 am to 7 pm, except on Sundays.
- The French usually have lunch between 12 pm and 1 pm and dinner between 7 pm and 8 pm.
- People greet each other by kissing on the cheeks. This is called la bise. The number of kisses depends on the region: in Lyon it’s two!
- We drive on the right.
- The electrical outlets are type C and F (voltage 230V, frequency 50Hz). Remember to bring a universal adapter!
- Because of its geometric shape, France is called “the Hexagon”.
- The motto is “Liberty, Equality, Fraternity.”
- Before starting a meal, we wish each other a bon appétit.
1) Where to find a job?

Small ads on Ecampus

Ecampus > Vie Etudiante > Petites Annonces

At the CROUS (Regional Centre for Student Support Services), which offers short-term jobs.

59, rue de la Madeleine – 69007 Lyon
www.crous-lyon.fr

At the Regional Youth Information Center [CRIJ]

66, cours Charlemagne – 69002 Lyon
www.crijrhonealpes.fr

More job search websites:

www.indeed.fr/
jobs-stages.letudiant.fr/jobs-etudiants.html
www.jobaviz.fr/

Looking for an internship? Consult the school, institute or faculty where you are registered.

2) Budget

This is only an estimate of the costs students will have to support for everyday life in Lyon. Some costs are subject to change!

Accommodation

- UCLy University Residence - Houses St Laurent and St Bernard: 423 € + 15 € (electricity) for stays of more than 6 months and 438 € (all charges included) for stays of less than 6 months
- Spare rooms: 420 € (all charges included)
- A studio: from 550 € (charges not included)
- Room in a shared flat: 500 € (charges not included)
- Private student residence: from 500-520 € (electricity expenses not included)

Other expenses

- Monthly electricity, gas and telephone bill: 60 € on average

City transport

- 15,10 € (metro, tram, bus) for 10 tickets
- Monthly subscription: 32,50 €
- Vélo’v subscription: 16.50 € / year
  + pricing beyond 30 minutes

Food

- About 200 € a month
- Lunch at the university cafeteria: ~ 4 €
- Diner at a nice restaurant: ~ 20 €
- 1 baguette: 1 €

Leisure

- Swimming pool: 3 €
- Cinema ticket (student price): 7 €

3) Cultural events

Universities usually offer their own cultural activities such as theatre, dance, concerts, exhibitions, guest lectures, cine-clubs... But also spread the word about cultural events in Lyon and its surroundings.

- further informations:
  ucly.fr/mission-culture/
  www.lyoncampus.com/

- Pass Culture
  The city of Lyon offers a cultural package giving access to 4 cultural events (to choose among 102 institutions in the agglomeration) for 18 €, as well as various discounts. Priority is given to newcomers on presentation of the student card (or registration certificate).
  Pass Culture will be sold from September, and is limited to 2 per student.
  + further informations:
    passculture@grandlyon.com

4) Emergency phone numbers

- UNIVERSAL EUROPEAN EMERGENCY SERVICES NUMBER : 112
- SAMU (ambulances): 15 – 04 72 68 93 00
- Fire brigade: 18
- Police: 17

Other useful numbers

- Anti-poison and Anti-drug Centre: 04 72 11 69 11
- Drugs Information service: 0 800 23 13 13 – 01 70 23 13 13
- Alcohol Information service: 0 811 91 30 30
- Psychiatric emergencies: 04 72 11 69 53
- Pharmacies open 24/7: Grande Pharmacie lyonnaise (de 20h à 8h00): 04 72 56 44 00
  22 rue de la République – 69002 Lyon
  + further informations:
    grandlyon.com

- SOS Médecins: 04 72 56 44 00
- SOS Amitié (emotional support): 04 78 29 88 88 – 04 78 85 33 33
- Neighbourhood police station: 04 72 33 00 33
- CAP Écoute: 0800 33 54 35 – 04 72 33 54 35
- Maison Médicale de Garde: 04 72 33 00 33
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Semestre 1 : September – January
Semestre 2 : February – June

1) School and public holidays

• Christmas : 2 weeks [end of December – beginning of January]
• Winter Holidays : 1 week in February or March
• Spring Holidays : 1 or 2 weeks in April
• Public Holidays :
  _ November 1st [All Saints’ Day]
  _ November 11th [Armistice Day]
  _ December 25th [Christmas]
  _ January 1st [New Year’s Day]
  _ April 18th [Easter Monday]
  _ May 1st [Labor Day]
  _ May 8th [Victory in Europe Day]
  _ May 26th [Ascension Day]
  _ June 6th [Whit/Pentecost Monday]
  _ July 14th [National Day]
  _ August 15th [Assumption Day]

▲ IMPORTANT

2) UCLy is closed

• the last week of December and the first week of January
• The first 3 weeks of August

However, ILCF remains open during July and August.

1 UNIVERSITY — 3 CAMPUSES

UCLy is located on 2 campuses very close to each other in the heart of Lyon and 1 campus in Annecy:

Saint-Paul Campus
10, Place des Archives — Lyon 2e
- Rectorate
- Administration
- The Department of Legal, Political, and Social Sciences
- The Department of Sciences
- The Department of Economics and Management
- Central services [International Relations, Communication, University Secretariat]
- Student services

Carnot Campus
23, Place Carnot — Lyon 2e
- The Department of Letters and Languages
- The Department of Theology and Religious Sciences
- The Department of Philosophy and Human Sciences

Alpes Europe Campus
25, Rue de la Cité - Annecy
- The Faculty of Law
- ESDES [Business School]
STUDENT SERVICES ON THE CAMPUSES

1) Housing Office

- Saint-Paul Campus - C209 office
  Isabelle MORALES
  sli@univ-catholyon.fr
  Tel: +33(0)4 26 84 52 02 or +33(0)4 72 32 51 73

There are different types of housing:
- 2 UCLy student residences
  House Saint Bernard and House Saint Laurent
  www.maisondesetudiantslyon.fr
  - social housing
  - private student residences
  - boarding house with families
  + further information

You can be eligible for housing benefits (rather applicable to long stay). Housing assistance is granted from the month after you move in. The first payment is generally made two months after the application is submitted. Where you can estimate how much you are eligible for.

+ further information
  www.caf.fr

2) Catering

2 cafeterias on the Lyon campuses:
- Saint-Paul Campus
  Monday to Friday – 7.30 am at 5 pm
- Carnot Campus
  Monday to Friday – 7.30 am at 4 pm

1 cafeteria on the Anney campus:
- Alpes Europe Campus
  St Michel Cafeteria

3) Health

- Preventive medicine
  Consultations and prevention
  Saint-Paul Campus – Health area C202
  medicine.preventive@univ-catholyon.fr
  Tel: +33(0)4 72 32 51 72

- Consultations and prevention
  Saint-Paul Campus – Health area C202
  point.ecoute@univ-catholyon.fr
  Tel: +33(0)4 72 32 50 27

- Mission Handicap
  Mission Handicap has been established to ensure a comfortable learning environment for students with disabilities. Specific procedures regarding courses and/or exams can be implemented, depending on your situation or requests.
  Saint-Paul Campus – Health area C202
  mission.handicap@univ-catholyon.fr
  Tel: +33(0)4 72 32 50 69

- Resting area and workshops
  Did you know that sleeping well helps you succeed? That’s why a siesta room has been set up to help you discover the benefits of a micro nap on the body. Sophrology, meditation and aromatherapy workshops are also offered throughout the year.
  Saint-Paul Campus – Basement – AS01 room

4) Sports

Choose among 25 activities from mid-September to mid-May (aerobics, athletics, rowing, climbing, football, dance, swimming, etc.).
- Gymnasium, 6th Floor
  Saint-Paul Campus - Gymnasium, 6th Floor (Building A)
  Tel +33(0)4 72 32 50 69
  Open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m for information

5) Chaplaincy

Chaplaincy welcomes students, professors and administrative staff. Solidarity and creativity initiatives, through events organized all year long.
- Saint-Paul Campus – C258 room
  aumonerie@univ-catholyon.fr
  Tel +33(0)4 72 32 50 16

6) Choeurs de l’UCLy

Conducted by a young and dynamic professional choirmaster, the Choirs of UCLy allow to develop vocal expression, interpretation, listening, breathing, voice placement, and quality musical performances.
- Choir school: 4 workshops are offered during the year: Gospel, musicals, French and international songs.
  No experience is required; the pedagogy of the choirmaster adapts to all levels, and the repertoire opens to all styles. This workshop welcomes students, members of the concert choir, but also people from all backgrounds wanting to discover a musical style.

- Concert Choir:
  The choir of the University offers a repertoire covering several centuries of sacred musical heritage (Monteverdi, Bach, Haydn, Mendelssohn and contemporary composers) for concerts with soloists and professional musicians. It is open to UCLy students and staff, as well as anyone wishing to join the choir. At the beginning and after the rehearsal, a quick interview with the choirmaster will confirm your place in the choir.

Rehearsals on Mondays from 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm at the Ozanam Room
- Carnot Campus
  choeurs@univ-catholyon.fr
  Page Facebook: @AssoChoeursUCLy

7) Internet Access

Computer rooms are accessible to all UCLy students.
- Saint-Paul Campus: Building A - 2nd floor - Henri de Lubac Library
  Carnot Campus: Building L - Ground Floor - L056

Accessible during the opening hours of the premises.
Free WiFi network is available on Saint Paul and Carnot Campuses.

8) 8) The » Foyer «

Saint Paul and Carnot Campuses

Student break rooms, ideal for meetings and exchanges. The “foyers” are managed by the Student Board of associations [Fédé’K’to]. Micro-waves and drinks dispensers are available.

- Saint-Paul Campus: Building A - Level -1 and Building B - Ground Floor
  Carnot Campus: Building L - Level -1

9) Henri de Lubac University Library

The library hosts almost 400,000 documents, including 760 journals, 6,000 online magazines and 15,000 ebooks of which 300 are perennial. Only modern literature is available to the students on a self-service basis: depending on the discipline, it is located on:

- Saint-Paul Campus:
  Trade, economics, business administration (ESDES), local development, social and solidarity economy, international solidarity (CIEDEL), family sciences, law, human rights (IDHL), international relations, political sciences, sciences, bibliographic searches.
Carnot Campus:
Religious sciences, philosophy, psychology, sociology, preparation for social and medico-social entrance exams, French and foreign literature, international relations, languages, translation studies (ESTRI), French as a foreign language (ILCF), history, arts.

Carnot Campus - Building K - Ground Floor
Open from Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m to 8:00 p.m
+ d'informations :

There is also a large number of municipal libraries:
+ d’informations :
www.bm-lyon.fr
as well as university libraries open to the public.

10) Fédé K’to
Student board of associations in charge of coordinating all of UCLy’s student associations.
+ further information
ucly.fr/la-fede-kto/
www.facebook.com/fedekto

11) Humanities Training Department [DFH]
Saint-Paul Campus – Building C, Entresol
fh@univ-catholyon.fr
Tel: +33(0)4 72 32 51 56

The personal and cultural training – a specificity of UCLy !
The Humanities Training Department offers cross-disciplinary courses [intercultural relations, arts and ethics] as well as workshops [artistic expression, self-awareness, entrepreneurship] to develop our students’ understanding of the world through different learning perspective.

These courses include:
• The use and understanding of digital technologies
• Developing of relational consciousness
• Contemporary issues
• Photography
• Philosophy through TV shows
• International relations and NGOs
• Workshop: Acting in English
• Europe and Its Contemporary Geo-Political Issues
• Environmental challenges: biodiversity

Exhaustive list of DFH courses:
ucly.fr/catalogue-cours-formation-humaine/
The DFH offers excellent opportunities for encounters and exchange between French and international students. Besides, some courses are taught in English.

12) French Language and Culture Institute (ILCF)
Whether you want to follow French courses or take an exam to certify your skills, ILCF offers you this opportunity. You will have the choice between different teaching schedules as well as exam sessions throughout the year.

ILCF@univ-catholyon.fr
Tel +33 (0)4 72 32 50 53
www.ilcf.net
UCLy, holder of the «Bienvenue en France» label since 2019, pays special attention to the quality of its welcome and support international students and is deeply committed to their continuous improvement. In this context, the International Relations team is pleased to welcome you throughout the year and to facilitate your integration so that you can live your French experience with serenity!

Saint-Paul Campus – Ground floor
Tel.: +33 (0)4 72 32 50 79
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PÔLE INTERNATIONAL

Within the International Relations Office, the Pôle International offers a wide range of events and free activities for UCLy’s international students.

Once a year / semester:
- Welcome Cocktail: presentation of UCLy followed by a welcome buffet.
- World dinner: share and discover international food.
- King cake party: taste the traditional Galette des Rois.
- Chinese New Year: Chinese food and karaoke for a perfect evening.
- Visit of the Museum of Fine Arts: immerse yourself into the Museum’s magnificent art collections.
- Wine and cheese tasting: don't miss these emblems of French gastronomy!
- Global village: be the ambassador of your country culinary and cultural traditions.
- Visit of the Lyon Presqu’île: discover the emblematic places in the heart of Lyon.
- Escape Game: take advantage of this game to know more about your buddy.
- Visit the caves of La Balme: welcome in the heart of Isère to discover the mysteries of these caves.
- Find your Buddy: come and meet the buddy of your dreams!
- Thanksgiving: Enjoy the famous traditional American meal
- Painting evening: learn how to paint and take home your masterpiece.
- New Year New Me: take some time for yourself at this Yoga/Pilate session
- Cooking workshops: learn how to prepare traditional dishes or pastries.
- Visit of Saint-Paul campus: discover the history of this former prison.
- Visit the city of Vienne: explore one of the most beautiful historical monuments of the city.
- Visit of the Garon Valley: take a breath of fresh air in the “Monts du Lyonnais”.

Throughout the year:
Cultural and gastronomic excursions, bowling nights, exhibitions, raclette night...
- Café langues: improve your language skills and share your culture by meeting with French and international students
- Breakfasts: come and share a friendly time while tasting French specialities

Stay tuned!
www.facebook.com/internationalstudentsUCLY
Contact: poleinternational@univ-catholyon.fr

JOIN IN THE POLE INTERNATIONAL!

The Pôle International is permanently looking for students to participate in the organization of events and activities. Two volunteer students share their experience:

«I decided to be part of the Pôle International in order to meet foreign students and also because I like to organise events. During this period, I was able to develop my language skills in both French and English, work in a team and welcome students from all over the world in order to connect them together. I believe that the mission of a volunteer is to give time to others and contribute to a personal and cultural development through exchanges.»

Pietra FIRAKOWSKI, at the faculty of law student from Brazil

«Early this year I decided to be part of the Pôle International, and I do not regret my decision! My main goal was to meet people with diverse backgrounds and have meaningful exchanges around our cultural differences. Thus learning more about the world we live in. By attending Pôle International events, I made numerous international friends, and shared amazing moments with them as well as with other French members. Overall, contributing to the Pôle International is a greatly enriching experience for everyone involved!»

Maylis VANDAME, étudiante à l’ESTRI

If you want to become an active member of the Pôle International, contact us at: poleinternational@univ-catholyon.fr
You are lost in the maze of administrative procedures?
You would like to discover Lyon, French culture, gastronomy…?
You are looking for a job or you want to get involved in associations?

The International Student Desk (ISD) team is here to help, support and advise you for an easy integration. Do not hesitate to contact us or come to our office!

Opening Hours:
From Monday to Friday: 8:45 am – 12:45 pm

Making an appointment is necessary for the following administrative procedures:
- Process for residence permit renewal
- Social security registration
- Housing allowance application

Access & Contact:
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Be part of a tandem with a French student at UCLy who will help you easily integrate your new city. The Pôle International will put you in touch with your French buddy, after you’ve sent the following information at: poleinternational@univ-catholyon.fr

Last Name, First name:
Nationality:
Arrival date:
Languages spoken:
Department/Faculty (at UCLy):
Email address:

I loved sponsoring international students. I was able to talk with them, help them upon their arrival in Lyon, and make them meet other students. I realized that despite our different nationalities, we had a lot in common! I was able to help them discover some aspects of French culture or advise them on nice places to visit! I saw their improvement in French language and they were able to ask me for advice on French «codes»! It was great, I am still in touch with two of my buddies! I hope I will see them again one day!

Luna DROUOT, student at the Faculty of Law

Our partner association Lyon International

400 families from Lyon welcome students at their home for a cheerful dinner. The perfect occasion for cultural exchanges!

Lyon International also offers festive events throughout the year: international buffets, discovery of the Beaujolais region, Rally of painted walls…

further information
www.lyon-international.org
Procedures

Before leaving:
• Make sure your passport/identity card is valid until the end of your stay (or 6 months after the end of your stay for some countries)
• Book your accommodation (as a student, you can benefit from the VISALE program, check it online: www.visale.fr/#!)
• Contact the French consular services in your country to obtain a visa
• Plan your budget
• Find out about your health coverage

Upon your arrival:
• Open a bank account
• Validate your visa
• Enrol in the French social security system
• Take out a complementary health insurance (called «mutuelle») to receive better reimbursement
• Apply for housing allowance (CAF) for stays longer than 3 months
• Take out civil liability insurance: often included in the home insurance or complementary health insurance, check this before taking out.
• Check if you need to pay the CVEC (cf. page 13)

Do not forget:
• Identity card (European citizens) or passport
• Birth certificate
• Important medical information and prescriptions
• Letter of acceptance from UCLy
• Driver’s license
• Power plug adapter

Also remember to make copies of your important documents

For students with a long-stay visa for studies (VLS-TS):
• Visa and confirmation of VLS-TS validation

For citizens of the European Union, the European economic area, the Swiss confederation:
• European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) valid for the entire duration of the stay in France

For Andorran nationals:
• Form SE 130-04

For Monegasque nationals:
• Proof of the assumption of responsibility by the Monegasque regime

For students from Quebec:
• Certificate from the Régie de l’Assurance Maladie du Québec (RAMQ)

For stays shorter than 3 months:
• Certificate of health insurance and repatriation covering the entire duration of the stay