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Dear students,

Bienvenue, willkommen, bienvenido, welcome... to our fine establishment, the only French and European university in the Indian Ocean.

You have chosen our university, which attracts a growing number of students every year and is distinguished by its level of internationalisation, which is measured firstly by the development of a culture of international relations within our institution, secondly by our unique, multi-disciplinary education and research offering and, finally, by our contribution to the construction of an Indian ocean space for Tertiary Education, Research and Innovation through the creation of a network of universities in the Indian Ocean zone supported by the Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (French-speaking University Agency).

This is a great opportunity for you because you will be living a unique experience, studying in a tropical France area, and joining a university that is fully committed to serving its students.

This is a great opportunity for our university, because by joining us you are helping to develop our network of ambassadors. And there is no better way to raise our profile on the international stage! You are the ones who will embody our values: openness, excellence, and collaboration! You will be the embodiment of our diplomas and, in fine, of Reunion Island throughout the world.

It is there a wonderful human adventure, because each of you is an opportunity for discovery and openness, not only for yourselves but also for everyone at the university: teachers, collaborators, and students.

We wish you, dear students from all over the world, a wonderful academic year and a full success in your studies, and hope that you will carry far and wide the image of our university.

Jacques COMBY, Provisional administrator of the University of Réunion Island

Anne-Françoise Zattara, Vice President Europe, International And Regional Cooperation
Reunion Island University is:
- **19,000** students
- **832** international students of **56** nationalities
- **11** different languages taught, 6 of which are not European languages
- **5** Training and Research Unit (UFR):
  - Droit et Economie
  - Sciences et Technologies
  - Lettres et Sciences humaines
  - Sciences de l’Homme et de l’Environnement
  - Santé

Several institutes and schools:
- Institut d’Administration des Entreprises (IAE)
- Institut Universitaire de Technologie (IUT)
- Institut National Supérieur du Professortat et de l’Education (INSPE)
- Institut Indianocéanique du Numérique (IIN)
- École Supérieure d’Ingénieurs Réunion Océan Indien (ESIROI)
- Observatoire des Sciences de l’Univers Réunion (OSU-R)

Cross-functional structures:
- Centre de Formation des Apprentis (CFA)
- Maison des Langues (MDL)
- Institut Confucius (IC)
- Institut de l’Illettrisme (ILLET)
- Direction de l’entreprenariat étudiant de La Réunion (D2ER)
COURSES OFFERED

Reunion Island University has 2 fields of study:

- PLURAL CULTURES, TERRITORIES AND SOCIETIES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN
- SCIENCES, TECHNOLOGIES, AND HEALTH IN THE TROPICAL ENVIRONMENT

The University has special teaching units for all bachelor’s students, from the first to the third year:

- LES UNITÉS D’ENSEIGNEMENT D’OUVERTURE (UEO).

These are discovery courses, integrated into the general bachelor’s programme, which will enrich and personalise your bachelor’s course:

The UEO are divided into six main categories:
- ARTS, CULTURES AND SOCIETIES
- COMMITMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- LANGUAGES, LANGUAGES AND COMMUNICATIONS
- MEDIA AND DIGITAL
- SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
- SPORT AND HEALTH

For more information on the Unité d’Enseignement d’Ouverture (UEO) click here.

The academic year:
In France, the university year does not follow the calendar year. At university, the academic year begins in August and ends in July. The year is divided into two semesters: Semester 1 (S1) from August to December and Semester 2 (S2) from January to July as follows:

Beginning of the year
August 2023  Semester 1  Semester 2  End of year
July 2024

Southern summer holidays | December - January
Grading and credit system

In France, assessments are marked out of 20 points, with 10 being the average and the minimum mark required to pass an exam.

France uses the ECTS (European credit transfer system) to make it easier to understand and compare the studies undertaken by students from different European countries.

ECTS credits are accumulated each semester. One semester is equivalent to 30 credits, so one year is equivalent to 60 credits, that is 1500 to 1800 hours of classroom teaching. (1 credit is worth 25 to 30 hours of work).
1. Erasmus+ Europe student

You have been given the green light by your university to study at the Reunion Island University. You will now need to complete:

- Our electronic Erasmus application form;
- Study contract (provided by your home university);
- University accommodation application form (if applicable).

The International Relations Department (DRI) examines these applications and sends you a reply with all the information you need to complete your enrolment:

- The letter of acceptance;
- The link for your administrative registration;
- Documents for your accommodation at the CROUS (depending on the number of places available).

For more information on the Erasmus+ exchange programme, click here.
ARRIVAL ANNOUNCEMENT

When your e-candidat file is validated, an automatic e-mail will be sent to you asking you to complete the “fiche d’annonce d’arrivée” if you wish to be met directly at the airport on your arrival in Réunion Island.

HOUSING

You can apply for accommodation directly on the e-candidat platform. You will find all the documents you need to download and complete:

- The summons
- The hosting contract
- Admission form
- The admission decision
- Financial appendix

3. International students out of exchange programmes and outside the EU/EEA

APPLYING FOR 1ST YEAR

- You need to follow the DAP (Demande d’Admission Préliminaire) procedure to continue your studies in France in the 1st year of a degree course.

  - Applications must be submitted to the Cooperation and Cultural Action Department of the French Embassy in your country of residence.

  - Do this as early as possible and check your personal space on the Campus France website regularly to make sure you don't miss any deadlines.
APPLYING FOR A BACHELOR’S, MASTER’S OR DOCTORAL DEGREE

- Contact the higher education establishments that interest you directly.
- Consult the Campus France Bachelor’s, Master’s or Doctorate catalogues for contact details.
- The schools will tell you more about how to apply.

If your application is successful, you will receive a document confirming your admission. As soon as you receive this document, you can start the process of obtaining a visa from the French Consulate in your country of residence.

Apply for a student visa if you are applying for a bachelor's or master's degree; apply for a talent passport visa if you are applying for a doctorate.

Information is available on the Campus France website: https://www.campusfrance.org/fr/candidature-etudiant-non-europeen-resident-hors-pays-UE-sans-procedure-etude-en-france

If you already live in France (on Reunion Island, for example):
- You must get the Demande d’Admission Préalable (DAP - Green Application Form) from the DEPF (Direction des Etudes et du Pilotage des Formations - the University’s Registrar’s Office) or from this website: https://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr/fr/dossier-vert-demande-d-admission-prealable-dap-pour-une-premiere-inscription-en-premiere-annee-de-46347
**REMINDER:** to enrol at the Reunion Island University, you must have at least a B2 level in French.

1. **Exchange students (Europe and outside Europe)**

Registration at Reunion Island University is compulsory. You will need to register online via the link sent by the International Relations Department (DRI) to obtain your student card on arrival. This will enable you to benefit from a number of discounts available to students on campus and to receive the Aide Personnalisée au Logement (APL).

**PLEASE NOTE:** for exchange students, tuition fees and the “Contribution à la vie étudiante et de campus” (CVEC) are waived.

2. **International students out of exchange programmes**

Registration at Reunion Island University is compulsory. You can register online. Follow the procedure for the situation you find yourself in.

You are in a country with a Campus France area:
You can register online via the University’s website (DEPF) using your Campus France login and password.

You are in a country where Campus France does not exist and/or you already live in France:
If you are registering for the first time in L1 or the first year of BUT (ex-DUT) or PASS & LAS (ex-PACES), the school will provide you with access to the site. For all other registrations, you must use the e-Candidat platform.

**NOTE:** You will have to pay the CVEC (student life and campus contribution), which amounts to 100€, as well as the registration fees for your course. These amount to 170€ for Bachelor’s degree courses and 243€ for Master’s degree courses.
Exchange students (Europe and outside Europe)

Once you have arrived at the Reunion Island University, you will need to validate the courses you will be taking and achieve the number of ECTS credits required to validate your mobility.

To do so, please consult our training offers on the website: https://www.univ-reunion.fr/choisir-sa-formation/trouves-la-formation-qui-te-convient/pour-les-etudiants-internationaux/

Depending on the exchange programme and the type of mobility, certain courses may be compulsory, thus encouraging a better command of the French language and a better knowledge of Creole society. It should be remembered that all courses are in French, except for certain EU courses, particularly those in foreign languages.

We strongly recommend non-French-speaking foreign students to take the:

- « Français Langue Etrangère (FLE) ».
- « Créole Langue Etrangère ».
- « Introduction aux sociétés et religions de la Réunion ».
- Course in english: « An Introduction to the Natural Environments and Society of Reunion Island ».

International students outside exchange programmes

Once you have completed your administrative enrolment, you will need to confirm your course enrolment: https://www.univ-reunion.fr/choisir-sa-formation/pour-les-etudiants-internationaux/

To do this, you will need to contact your faculty’s teaching department. We invite you to go directly to the department to complete the necessary documents.
VISAS AND RESIDENCE PERMITS

Depending on your nationality, your situation, and the length of your stay, you may need to obtain a visa to study or carry out research in France, or to return to France after graduation.

Students from EU/EEA* countries

Students holding a passport issued by a European Union or EEA country do not need a visa to stay in France.

*European Economic Area

Students from outside the EU/EEA

If you are a foreign national and want to study in France, you must first apply for a long-stay visa with residence permit (VLS-TS) with for students mention (valid for 4 months to 1 year).

After 1 year, you can apply for a temporary student residence permit (valid for 1 year) or a multi-annual student residence permit (valid for 2 to 4 years).

You are subject to a means conditions. In some cases, your residence permit may be issued automatically.

For more information on this approach, click here.
## Erasmus+ Europe student

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## Exchange students from outside Europe (INHA)

- INHA sends the list of nominated students to the DRI.            | March                        |
- Administrative registration on the E-candidat platform and completion of the online application form. |                             |
- Accommodation: students apply online via the E-candidat platform |                             |

- The student fills in the “Arrival notification” form.            | June                         |
- The CROUS passes on the administrative and financial formalities to the DRI, which then passes them on to the students. |                             |

- Educational enrolment through the component and the possibility of changing the choice of courses. | Early September |

## Students on exchange programmes outside Europe (PPI)

- Université Laval sends the list of nominated students to the DRI. | March                        |
- Online submission of applications on the E-candidat platform.   |                             |

- The student fills in the “Arrival notification” form.            | June                         |
- The CROUS passes on the administrative and financial formalities to the DRI, which then passes them on to the students. |                             |

- On-line administrative registration on the DEFP schooling platform. | July - August                |
- Educational enrolment through the component and the possibility of changing the choice of courses. | Late August - early September |
### Students on exchange programmes outside Europe (BCI)

- Receipt of applications or lists of nominated students from the universities.  
  - Online submission of applications on the E-candidat platform.  
  - Admission decision and response to candidates.  
  - Accommodation: Online application via the E-candidat platform.  

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### Students on exchange programmes outside Europe (ISEP)

- Receipt of applications or lists of nominated students from the universities.  
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Before the start of each academic year, an 8-day Français Langue Etrangère (FLE) integration campus is organised for international students enrolled on exchange programmes at Reunion Island University.

The aim is to prepare you for life on Reunion Island, a French-speaking island, and to enable you to take part in the courses taught in French at university (French at its university level).

**ORGANISATION**

Each day you will take part in a variety of sessions:

- Session 1: The university campus.
- Session 2: Settling in France and everyday life.
- Session 3: Studying at the University of Reunion Island.
- Session 4: Organising lessons.
- Session 5: The University of Reunion Island's digital tools/communicating effectively.
- Session 6: Working methods.
- Session 7: University written work.
- Session 8: Discovering Reunion Island.
The Thursday Campus Tour gives non-exchange students the opportunity to take a guided tour of Le Moufia and Le Tampon campuses led by a student from Reunion Island University.

A list will be sent out for registrations and dates.
Welcome at the airport

DRI can arrange your transfer from the airport to the CROUS or to Saint Denis city centre. Please note: no reimbursement will be made if the transfer is made outside the framework established by the DRI.

In this case, plan to arrive between Monday and Friday (mornings are advisable) so that you can be met. When you arrive at the airport, you should go to the information desk.

Below is the Car Jaune bus network for students studying at the Campus Sud in Le Tampon and St Pierre.

For travel between Roland Garos airport (RUN) and Saint Pierre
- Line T. Roland Garros airport ➔ Gare de St-Pierre (ticket price: €5).
- Line ZO. Roland Garros Airport ➔ Gare de St-Pierre (Single ticket price: €5).

For travel between Saint Pierre station and the Terre-Sainte Campus:
- Littoral 2. Saint Louis train station ➔ IUT (ticket price: €1.70).

For travel between Saint Pierre station and the Tampon Campus
- S2 line. St-Pierre station ➔ Université Du Tampon (Ticket price: €2).
- Line 2. Alternéo Sous-Préfecture ➔ Université Du Tampon (Ticket price: €1.70).

Welcome meetings

The IR coordinator in your UFR will organise an information meeting in the first few weeks to give you information about how the university and the UFR work, to tell you who to contact for pedagogical questions, to inform you about your timetable and the various steps to take during the first few weeks.

At the beginning of each semester, the DRI organises a more general meeting for all international students and all those involved in the university to give you a presentation of all the services available to you, the rules and the information you need to know.
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

The exact start and end dates of courses and examinations vary from one UFR to another. They are indicated in the acceptance letter.

Some UFRs may organise make-up exams in the 1ère fortnight of July.
ACTIVITIES

The University of La Réunion offers a wide range of activities on campus, so all you have to do is choose where to start!

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The University's Art and Culture Department organises workshops (reading, guitar, drums, photography, drawing, etc.). The department also organises clubs (writing-poetry, Kpop, theatre, improvisation, oriental culture and dance, etc.) as well as courses and conferences.

SPORT ACTIVITIES

Are you a sports fan?
The University Physical and Sports Activities Department (SUAPS) offers you:

- Team sports
- Individual sports
- Racquet sports
- Artistic and expressive activities
- Fitness activities
- Relaxing activities
- Combat activities and martial arts
- Outdoor sports.
For more information about the registration process, click here.

NOTE: there are also university sports associations on campus:
- L’ASCUR: Association de plein air et du cirque (north campus)
- RUC: Multi-sports association (north campus)
- GRAND AIR: Outdoor association (north campus)
- ASUR: Multi-sports association (south campus)

ASSOCIATIVE ACTIVITIES

Meeting new people? Doing something after school? Working on projects?

There are more than twenty student associations at the university, where you can take part in activities, set up projects, organise events and experience community life.

For more information on associations, click here.
MAISON DES LANGUES (MDL)

The Maison Des Langues (MDL) is a cross-disciplinary structure open to all: students, university staff, trainees, partners, and anyone else who wants to learn a language or improve their language skills.

It is present in two places on the island: one in the north, on the Moufia campus, and one in the south, on the Tampon campus.

For more information about university degrees, non-degree courses, certifications, and the English plan, click here.

MAISON DES ETUDIANTS (MDE)

The Maisons Des Étudiants (“student’s house”) is a student-run space where students can meet up, find out about the university and upcoming events, take part in cultural or sporting activities and work completely independently.

The Moufia, Tampon and Terre-Sainte campuses, as well as the Bellepierre (INSPE) and Victoire (IAE) sites, have a Maison Des Étudiants.

For more information about the Maisons des Étudiants, click here.

RESTAURATION

In the north, at Le Moufia, you will find two university restaurants, Hippolyte Foucque (open evenings) and La Bourbonnaise (open for lunch), Price: 3.30€ for a social meal, consisting of a starter, main plate, and dessert.

There is also a cafeteria named “Le Croustillant”.

There is also a cafeteria in the centre of Saint-Denis, at the IAE, and on the Bellepierre campus, at the INSPE.

On the Le Tampon campus, you can also have lunch in the university restaurant and cafeteria.

For more information on CROUS catering, click here.
HEALTH SERVICE (SUMPPS)

Your health is a major factor in your success. To help you feel good about your body, your mind and your environment, a medical-psycho-social team is at your service on campus, offering awareness-raising and prevention initiatives, health services and appropriate support in the event of disability.

Opening times:
Campus NORD:
- Monday - Thursday, 8.00am - 4.30pm all day.
- Friday, 8.30am-4.30pm all day.

Campus SUD:
- Monday - Tuesday, 8am - 4pm all day.

For more information about SUMPPS, click here.

LIBRARIES

The University has 5 libraries spread across all its sites, where you can find all the documentation you need for your studies: books, journals, press, dissertations, theses, and DVDs, which you can consult on site, borrow or read online (ebooks).


Librairie (BU) opening times:
- BU Droit-Lettres (St-Denis): Monday-Friday from 7.30am to 7pm and Saturday from 8am to 12pm
- BU Sciences (St-Denis): Monday-Friday from 7.30am to 7pm and Saturday, from 12pm to 4pm
- BU Education (Bellepierre): Monday-Friday, from 7.30am to 6.30pm
- BU du Tampon: Monday-Friday, from 7.30am to 6.30pm and Saturday from 8am to 12pm
- BU Terre Sainte (IUT - Health - Engineering): Monday-Friday, from 7.30am to 6pm
You will find on site:

- A working environment for your needs: all the documentation you need to support your studies (textbooks, methodology, professional integration), group work rooms, computers (fixed workstations) with printers, scanners and photocopiers, free wifi access and advice and help with your research.
- Relaxation areas: exhibitions, a press kiosk, comics, novels, DVDs, documentation on the Indian Ocean (literature, travel guides, studies).

From your home:

- Digital libraire (BU): 7 days a week, 24 hours a day
- E-reviews, ebooks (digital books), online theses, digital press, literary collections, etc.
- Online news on Facebook, Twitter, Blog.

**RESOURCES**

**The Pass' Kampus**

Your student card takes the form of a multi-use card called "Pass' Kampus".

It allows you to:

- Access to your CROUS accommodation;
- Pay for your meals at the CROUS (restaurant or cafeteria) using the IZLY* application (bank transfer) or electronic banking (cash top-up);
- Make photocopies.

Click here to find out how to register with IZLY.

*Available on the AppStore and PlayStore

**E-mail address**

Once your administrative registration has been validated, you will receive an e-mail containing your student login details: e-mail address and password.

They will be useful for connecting to the Wifi and your ENT (Environnement Numérique de Travail - Digital work environment).

**Wifi**

Wi-Fi access is free on all campuses. The main network is called EDUROAM.

You can also use "Kampus" (particularly in university halls of residence).

**Digital Working Environment (ENT)**

The ENT is a personal space where you can get information; access your virtual office; access courses, exams and assessments (via Moodle); access documentary resources, thematic universities, exam annals; obtain information on schooling, grades, timetables, your administrative file, etc.

Teachers may provide documentation related to their courses, but this is not automatic.

For more information on how to connect to ENT, click here.
Accommodation in university halls of residence

Exchange students:
The DRI is responsible for managing your application to CROUS. They will be your point of contact.

Students not on an exchange programme: as you are fully registered at the University, you will have to deal directly with the CROUS. You can find all the information you need at the following link: https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F31912

NB: CROUS only provides the furniture (mattress, chair, desk, etc.); bedding and kitchen utensils are not provided. You will have to pay for these yourself.

**REMINDER:** All university residence admission procedures are now paperless, paper documents are no longer used.

The CROUS provides hot and cold drinks and snack dispensers for students arriving from the airport to pick up their accommodation. A telephone operator also provides students with a SIM card dispenser, enabling them to obtain a Reunionese number immediately. A charge is made for these machines. Finally, the CROUS provides students who request it with a "night kit", also at a charge, consisting of a pillow, a sheet, and a blanket. The CROUS warns students that the Cité Internationale building is awaiting renovation because it is old. Pests may still be present in the rooms. Students may find it useful to bring insect spray with them when they arrive. The building also does not have Wi-Fi.

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:**
The Clé (student rental deposit) is a government **guarantee that** helps students without a personal guarantor to find accommodation.

This help is open to all students:
- With an income but without a guarantee from family, friends or a bank.
- Under 28 years of age on 1st September of the year in which the lease is signed;
- Over 28 years of age on 1st September of the year in which the lease is signed, provided that they are doctoral students or post-doctoral students of foreign nationality (doctorate obtained less than 6 years ago, occupying a non-tenured research post within a research unit or laboratory under a fixed-term contract).

For more information on the CLÉ help, [click here](#).

The Visale guarantee is a **deposit that** exempts the tenant from having to present any other deposit to the landlord, and the service is completely free of charge.

For more information on the Visale guarantee, [click here](#).
Accommodation outside university halls of residence (private sector)

If you are not accommodated by the CROUS, we can provide you with a list of private landlords that previous international students have used. Here are some links to accommodation search sites:

- Advertisements in the Journal de l’Île de La Réunion: https://clicanoo.re/
- Classified ads website: https://www.leboncoin.fr/annonces/offres/reunion/
- Facebook groups:
  - Colocation Ile de La Réunion (https://www.facebook.com/groups/coloc.re/)
  - Colocation 974 (https://www.facebook.com/groups/658633854256560/)
  - Coloc-Location 974 (https://www.facebook.com/groups/1555450741419220/)
  - Location/colocation ile de la réunion (https://www.facebook.com/groups/1948313728830538/)

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:**

If you rent from an agency, you will have to pay an agency fee;
A rental agreement (lease) will be drawn up setting out the rent, the duration and the conditions of the rental;
You must take out insurance for your home;
Rent is payable from the first day of each month.

**Hotel**

If you have not found accommodation before arriving in Réunion, you will need to plan for nights in hotels. You can find addresses on the Île de La Réunion Tourisme (IRT) website: https://www.reunion.fr/planifier/ou-dormir/hotels

**Housing benefit:**

Whatever your accommodation (university or private), as soon as you obtain your lease, you can apply to the Caisse d’Allocation Familiale (CAF) for personal housing assistance (APL), which will reduce the amount of your rent. To start a simulation, click here.
HEALTH

Health insurance
(Also known as Social Security)
You do not have to join the French health insurance scheme if:

⇒ If you are a national of an EU or EEA Member State: you must produce proof of affiliation: a European health insurance card or private insurance.

⇒ If you are a student enrolled in higher education in Quebec: you will need to produce Form SE401Q106, which is a certificate of affiliation to the social security scheme.

If you are a foreign student from a non-EEA country (and you are staying for more than 3 months): to benefit from health cover, you must join the French health insurance scheme and register on the website to submit your application.
To do this, go to: https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/

You can find all the explanations you need at the following link: https://www.ameli.fr/assure/droits-demarches/etudes-emploi-retraite/etudiant/vous-venez-etudier-en-france It's free and compulsory!

Mutual insurance
Health insurance covers 70% of the costs you may incur. To be reimbursed in full, you can take out a "complementary health insurance", also known as a "mutuelle". You can find mutual insurance companies for individuals, or you can apply to the health insurance company for a "Complémentarité Santé Solidarité".

For more information, click here.

Civil liability
You will need to take out civil liability insurance when you arrive. This is compulsory and covers you in the event of unintentional injury.
You can take out a policy with your bank, your insurance company (the one you live with and/or your mutual insurance company).
THE BUS

This is the only form of public transport. The bus companies are as follows:

(Move your mouse over the name of the company below that interests you for more information)

- **North**: CITALIS
- **West**: KAR’OUEST
- **South-West**: ALTERNEO, KARLAVIL
- **South**: CARSUD
- **East**: ESTIVAL
- **The whole island**: CAR JAUNE

We strongly advise you to download the **CarJaune application** to get all the information you need about the network.

It is possible to obtain the **Réuni’pass Etudiant card (free of charge)**, which allows students to use all the island’s transport networks freely. To register, [click here](#).

Once you have received an e-mail confirming and validating your subscription request, you can then collect your card from one of the 9 sales outlets available to you, and make your payment (Bus stations at: Saint-Pierre, Saint-Louis, Saint-Paul, Le Port, Saint-Denis, Saint-André, Saint-Benoît and the Saint-Leu and Saint-Joseph sales outlets). Cheques from foreign banks are not accepted.

A regular shuttle service runs from Roland Garros airport to the Saint-Denis bus station in the city centre.

THE CAR

There are a number of car hire companies, cars which are often essential for certain journeys in the hills and to the start of isolated hikes.

To hire a car, you must be over 21 and have had your driving licence for at least one year. A deposit is usually required. You will need a credit card to make the deposit.

For more information, [click here](#).

Driving in France with a foreign licence

You can drive with a foreign licence as long as you have a student status and your licence has a French translation. For more information about the specific rules for your driving licence, [click here](#).
**PHONE**

On Reunion Island, telephones work in the same way as in mainland France, but this depends on the type of package you choose. You can use your own number, but beware of the hefty bill! Ask your mobile operator about the conditions for using your mobile phone overseas.

Alternatively, you can contact SFR, Orange, Free and ZEOP, the mobile operators present on Réunion (monthly subscription or prepaid card).

**Tip:** SFR and Orange sponsor RedbySFR and Sosh respectively, two strictly online companies that offer much more affordable rates.

For more information, [click here](#).

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:**

- From Reunion Island to your country, dial 00 + your country code + the correspondent's number;
- To call Reunion Island from abroad (other European countries and Canada), dial 00 262 + the number of the person you are calling (without the 0 and starting with 262 for a landline and 692 or 693 for a mobile).

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**GROCERY**

There is a student solidarity grocery shop on the Moufia campus. The shop is located in the CROUS campus 2 housing estate, opposite the footbridge to the BRED barge.

If you are a student, you have unrestricted access.

You'll find a wide range of products at prices ranging from 0.10 centimes to 4 €.

**Opening times:** 12pm to 10pm every day of the week
If you use your home country's bank account:
Remember to inform your bank before your departure to check that you will be able to withdraw money and use your bank account in Reunion Island (France).

FINANCES

Bank account
To open a bank account when you arrive in Reunion Island, find out which banks are available, as well as their contact details and opening hours here.

To open an account, you will be asked to provide a number of documents, including:
- A copy of your passport and visa.
- A copy of your student card (or registration certificate).
- A copy of your accommodation certificate.

There are a number of supermarkets around the campus of Le Moufia that are accessible without using public transport.
- Run Market Chaudron
- Leader Price Market
- Carrefour Market Moufia.
The MDL (cf. p.21) is working in partnership with Saint-Denis town hall to offer exchange students the chance to work in the town’s nursery and primary schools. The Plan Anglais project will enable you to work in classes during lunchtime (between 11.30am and 1.30pm).

You’ll be paid 21.45€ net per shift, and all you have to do to be recruited is apply online and attend an interview.

For more information, click here.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you wish to work during your stay and you are not a national of a European Union member state, you will need to obtain a *residence permit from the Préfecture.*
MONTHLY BUDGET

Accommodation:
University residence (cité internationale) = 237€

Private accommodation (shared flat, room in a private home) = on average 400€ + a deposit is required on arrival.

A laundry service is available at the Crous: 2.5€ per machine

Meals:
Meal at the university restaurant = 3.30€ (CROUS meals)

Transport:
réuni'pass card = free

For courses:
Tuition fees (excluding grant holders) = bachelor 170€, master 243€ and doctor 380€.
CVEC (excluding exchange programme) = 100€

⚠️ Looking ahead to 1st month:
Accommodation in university halls of residence (cité internationale):
  2 months’ rent = 474€
  Deposit = 280€
  Application fee = 20€
  First month’s rent = 237€
  Total for accommodation = 1011€
IDENTITY CARD OF THE ISLAND

Population (at January 1st of 2022 according to INSEE): 868,800 inhabitants
Surface area: 2,512 km²
Status: French overseas department since 19 March 1946.
Motto: "I will bloom wherever I am carried".
Capital: Saint-Denis.
Currency: euro (€)
Languages: French is the official language, but most Reunionese speak Reuniones Creole, as well as several other community languages such as Tamil (spoken by Tamil Indians), Gujarati (spoken by Indo-Muslims from Gujarat), Chinese, Malagasy and Comorian.
Creole has been taught at Reunion Island University for several years now.
Religions: Catholicism, Islam and Hinduism predominate, but Confucianism is also present.
Geography: a volcanic, mountainous island belonging to the Mascareignes archipelago
Climate: tropical with two seasons, the austral winter ("fresh" season from May to November) and the austral summer (hot and humid season) from November to April, and a rainy season (cyclonic period from December to March).
GOOD TO KNOW: As Réunion is well-equipped, cyclones are rarely fatal. You should keep yourself informed by reading the press, listening to the radio and phoning Météo France. Find out about the warning systems.
Time zone: GMT +4, 2 hours ahead of summer time in mainland France (from the end of March to the end of September) and 3 hours ahead of winter time (from the end of September to the end of March). Réunion does not change time.

USEFUL LINKS:

Climate: http://www.reunion.fr/pratique/l-ile-de-la-reunion/climat-geographie/climat
Cyclones: http://www.meteofrance.re/cyclone/
Volcano: http://fournaise.info/
Tourist Office: https://www.reunion.fr/
Practical guide: https://guide-reunion.fr/guide-pratique/
Hiking: https://randopitons.re/
Best GPS on the island: https://fr.maps.me/
Discovery: https://habiter-la-reunion.re/decouvrir-ile-de-la-reunion/
Cultural: https://www.monticket.re/
FOR THE BEACH
- Mask & Snorkel
- Water shoes
- Sunglasses, cap, sunscreen
- Hydration: the water bottle

FOR HIKING
- Hiking shoes
- Anti-mosquito product
- Sunglasses, cap, sunscreen
- Rainwear (K-way)
- Headlamp, survival blanket
- An external battery for the smartphone

MISCELLANEOUS
- Chargers and adapters if needed
  (Socket E in Reunion Island: the French model)
- Copies of all official documents
  (passport, driving licence, identity card)
- Boarding pass
- Essential telephone numbers
- Contacts and insurance certificate
- Pharmacy kit
- Cash in euros, credit card
- (E-mail and telephone details of your banker)
USEFUL CONTACTS

FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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**Department concerned**: Direction des Etudes et du Pilotage des Formations (DEPF)

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Exchange students

**Department concerned**: Direction des Relations Internationales (DRI)

**Opening times**:
- Open Monday to Friday, 8am to 12pm and 2pm to 4pm.
- Closed to the public on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

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FOR STUDENT LIFE AND INTEGRATION

**ISRUN - International Students of Reunion Island**

ISRUN is a student association dedicated to international students, which was created in September 2017. Most of its members have undertaken a mobility abroad during their studies at the University of La Réunion and aim to welcome and facilitate the academic and social integration of international students at UR. ISRUN helps with administrative formalities and aims to bring international students closer to local students and their culture by organising cultural and historical evenings and outings. The association is also committed to promoting international mobility.

For further information:
https://www.univ-reunion.fr/international/actions-associatives-envers-les-internationaux/isrun-international-students-of-reunion-island

**AEMR - Association of Malagasy Students on Reunion Island**

The AEMR is a student association affiliated to the University of La Réunion, based at the CROUS de La Réunion, which has been active on the student scene since 1994. Its members - regardless of origin, gender or beliefs - share a common interest: Madagascar. They are guardians of Malagasy culture, with the aim of preserving and promoting their identity within the university community.

The association’s activities include providing help and advice to new students, various outings and activities to help them discover Réunion, taking part in cultural events and organising a cultural week at the University.

For further information:
https://www.univ-reunion.fr/international/actions-associatives-envers-les-internationaux/titre-par-defaut

**AEGR - Association of Comorian Students on Réunion Island**
The AECR was set up in 1994 with the aim of representing and defending the interests of students of Comorian origin, while trying to maintain permanent contact between students and the Comorian community on the island to encourage cultural and sporting exchanges.

Ever since it was founded, the association has been organising and taking part in a wide range of cultural activities (festivals, exhibitions, sports tournaments, conferences) both at the Université de La Réunion and elsewhere on the island.

They are now part of the CROUS and Reunion Island University associations, i.e. those working to improve campus life and provide entertainment.

For further information:
https://www.univ-reunion.fr/international/actions-associatives-envers-les-internationaux/aecr-association-des-etudiants-comoriens-de-la-reunion

**BRUN’S REUSSIR - Association of African Students on Reunion Island**

Brun’s Réussir, founded in 2017, aimed to provide a better integration of African students on the island of Réunion and their entrepreneurial support. It is intercultural, "inter-social" and international.

For further information:
https://www.univ-reunion.fr/international/bruns-reussir
The Buddy System is an online platform that puts international students in touch with local students through mentoring.

Would you like someone to help you (documents, accommodation, jobs)?

Would you like to discover the local culture and practise the language? Would you like to meet local students? International students, join the BuddySystem!

With the BuddySystem, we’ll find you a Buddy to help you and share his experience in this new city!

Once you have arrived at www.buddysystem.eu, it takes less than 5 minutes to register, providing basic but essential information for your profile (place of study, age, gender, hobbies, arrival and departure dates, etc.).

Then, with the help of our algorithm, the local coordinator in your town can assign you a Buddy (a local student if you’re abroad or an international student if you’re a local) who matches your expectations!

All you have to do is get in touch with your Buddy, share the BuddySystem experience and take advantage of the services and events offered on the Platform!
During your year at Reunion Island University, you will have the opportunity to meet our international ambassadors. These are local students who will be on hand to accompany and guide you as you discover the Intense Island and the University! Find their contact details below:

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USEFUL ABBREVIATIONS

AAPL : Aide Personnalisée au Logement BU : Bibliothèque Universitaire
BVE : Bureau de la Vie Étudiante CAF : Caisse d’Allocation Familiale
CM : Cours Magistral CROUS : Centre Régional des Œuvres Universitaires et Scolaires
CVEC : Contribution Vie Étudiante et Campus DFC : Direction des Finances et de la Comptabilité
DLR : Direction de la logistique et de la Reprographie DSST : Direction de la Sécurité et de la Santé au Travail
DRI : Direction des Relations Internationales DSI : Direction des Systèmes d’Information
ECTS : European Credit Transfer System ENT : Environnement Numérique de Travail
EEE : Espace Economique Européen ESIROI : École Supérieure d’Ingénieurs de l’Océan Indien
INSPE : Institut national supérieur du professorat et de l’éducation EVE : Espace Vie Étudiante
FLE : Français Langue Étrangère IAE : Institut d’Administration des Entreprises
IRT : Île de La Réunion Tourisme IUT : Institut Universitaire de Technologie
LMD : Licence, Master, Doctorat LMDE : La Mutuelle Des Etudiants
MDL : Maison Des Langues OFII : Office Français de l’Immigration et de l’Intégration
D2ER : Direction de l’Entrepreneuriat Étudiant de La Réunion DOFIP : Pôle Relations extérieurs, Orientation et Formation pour l’Insertion professionnelle
PTU : Parc Technologique Universitaire RH : Ressources Humaines
RIB : Relevé d’Identité Bancaire RU : Restaurant Universitaire
SCD : Service Commun de Documentation SUAC : Service Universitaire Art et Culture
SUAPS : Service Universitaire des Activités Physiques et Sportives DFTLV : Direction de la Formation Tout au Long de la Vie
SUMPPS : Service Universitaire de Médecine Préventive et de Promotion de la Santé
TD : Travaux Dirigés TP : Travaux Pratiques UE : Unité d’Enseignement
UFR : Unité de Formation et de Recherche VLS-TS : Visa Long Séjour valant Titre
de Séjour
USEFUL NUMBERS

IN REUNION ISLAND

European emergency call: 112
Police or gendarmerie: 17
Fire brigade: 18
SAMU: 15
Emergency call for the deaf and hard of hearing: 114
SOS médecin Nord: (nearest to the Moufia campus): 0262 97 44 44
SOS médecin Sud (nearest to the Le Tampon campus): 0262 35 02 02
Alcoholics Anonymous: 0262 41 16 14
Sida info service: 0 800 840 800
SOS solitude: 0262 970 000
Road info: 0262 97 27 27
Hurricane weather: 08 97 65 01 01
Météo France La Réunion: 32 50
The Piton de la Fournaise Volcanological Observatory: 0262 27 54 61

AT THE UNIVERSITY

In case of assault, fire, accident or medical emergency:

📞 0262 93 87 89
📞 0692 77 38 30

Tampo Campus
Campus closing hours:
Between 10pm and 5am

Weekends:
from Saturday at 10pm to Monday at 5am

Access during closing hours is subject to a nominative list and is on the Regional Council side (East entrance). You must carry your student card with you at all times.
MAP OF LE TAMPON CAMPUS - SOUTH

Address:
117, Rue du Général Ailleret
97430 le Tampon

Composante

1: UFR Sciences de l'Homme et de l'Environnement (SHE)
2: École Supérieure d'Ingénieurs Réunion Océan Indien (ESIROI) → Construction Durable et Environnement (CODE)

Services

3: Division de la Scolarité et de la Vie Etudiante (DSVE)
4: Centre International d’Études Pédagogiques (CIEP)
5: Pôle Relations extérieures, Orientation et Formation pour l’Insertion Professionnelle (PROFIL)
6: Bibliothèque universitaire
11: Maison Des Langues (MDL)
13: Service Universitaire de Formation Permanente (SUFP)
12: Restaurant Universitaire

☐ Espace Vie Etudiant (EVE)
   › Service Universitaire de Médecine Préventive et Promotion de la Santé (SUMPPS)
   › Service Université Art et Culture (SUAC)
   › Service Universitaire des Activités Physiques et Sportives (SUAPS)
   › Maison de l'étudiant (MDE)
Map of the IAE CAMPUS- NORTH
Saint-Denis city centre campus

Bât A - Amphithéâtre 108 places
- IUP Tourisme
- Salle de Conseils
- Salles de cours

Bât B - Administration / Reprographie
- IAE (Institut Administration des Entreprises)
- IUP Tourisme
- Salles de cours / Salle Informatiques

Bât C - Cafétéria
Map of the INSPE CAMPUS - NORTH
Saint-Denis, Bellepierre Campus
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- Agri-foods department
- Building and Energy Department
- computing and telecommunications department
MAP OF IUT CAMPUS - SOUTH
SAINT-PIERRE CAMPUS

We look forward to welcoming you at Reunion Island University and to support you throughout your stay.

For more information, visit the website: https://www.univ-reunion.fr/international