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1/ Business schools

France has 230 Business schools. They are private, independent or affiliated with a chamber of commerce and industry. Curricula and teaching methods are attuned to the changing economic environment and the latest management practices. Programs rely on internships, advanced technology and international exchange. They offer to international students up-close access to the European market.

Business school degrees are national diplomas regulated by the French government.

Annual tuition at most schools is between €3,000 and €10,000.

Most programs require 3 years of study and are capped by the award of the school's diploma. Graduates often continue on for a specialized advanced degree such as the MBA or a specialized master (maîtrise spécialisé).

Business schools in France admit a very large number of international students and some of them even have specific programs for international students.

Founded in 1900, Audencia Nantes School of Management now has over 13,000 alumni throughout the world. Successively accredited by EQUIS, AACSB and AMBA, Audencia ranks among the triple-crown schools (only 1% of the world’s management schools).

Information sheet - Website

The Montpellier Business School, a member of the Conférence des Grandes Écoles and accredited AACSB, EPAS-EFMD and AMBA, is an institution of higher education and research that has grown since its founding in 1897 to become one of the world’s leading business schools.

Information sheet - Website

Founded in 1906, EDHEC Business School is the largest business school in France with 5 campuses in Lille, Nice, Paris, Singapore and London. Consistently ranked among the Top 5 French business schools (triple accreditations from EQUIS, AACSB and AMBA).

Information sheet - Website
Groupe ESC Troyes aims to equip students with high-level management skills and a broad understanding of the world of business and commerce, thereby easing them into their chosen careers. One of the main objectives of Groupe ESC Troyes is to guarantee personalized attention to each of its students.

Information sheet - Website

ESSEC, one of the leading institutions in France for business education, is built on the core values of innovation, open-mindedness, responsibility, and excellence. Accredited by AACSB and EQUIS, ESSEC maintains a superior level of academic excellence recognized worldwide.

Information sheet - Website

IÉSEG one of the Top 10 Business Schools in France, recognized for the excellence of its programs, its internationalization and the quality of its research. Member of the "Conférence des Grandes Ecoles", IÉSEG accredited with EQUIS and AACSB.

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BEM and EUROMED MANAGEMENT merged to create a new leading world player in management education: KEDGE Business School. Ranked among the Top 30 institutions in Europe by the Financial Times in 2012, KEDGE aims to be among the Top 15 in Europe within 5 years.

Information sheet - Website

The IAE Aix Graduate School of Management - part of the Aix-Marseille University - is the only French public university entity to receive dual international accreditation: the European standard of excellence EQUIS in 1999, and the AMBA accreditation in 2004 for its MBA Change & Innovation, in 2005 for its Master’s programmes and in 2007 for its Executive Part-time MBA and its Euro*MBA.

Information sheet - Website
2/ Engineering schools

France has more than 250 engineering schools. Quality of their degrees is certified by a national commission on engineering degrees (CTI). Engineering schools also have their own association: CDEFI - Conference des Directeurs des Ecoles Françaises d'Ingenieurs (Association of French Engineering schools Directors)

French engineering schools are closely connected to the business world and their programs combine rigorous training in science with practical training in engineering. Together, France's schools of engineering cover all aspects of engineering, but each specializes in a particular area, making French schools roughly comparable to a department in a foreign university.

Engineering schools in France admit a large number of international students.

Some French engineering schools offer programs at PhD level, in cooperation with universities and research bodies.

**Annual tuition in France's public schools of engineering is approximately €500.**

Centrale Nantes pursues three complementary tracks: training, research, and consulting for industry. Centrale Nantes offers programs leading to master's and doctoral degrees in most engineering disciplines.

Information sheet - Website

Member of the Institute Mines - Mines de Nantes- is an education and research institution dedicated to industrial growth and development. The school prepares engineering generalists in the field of industrial systems engineering. Its hallmarks are advanced scientific and technical training, preparation of graduates for work in industry and on the international stage.

Information sheet - Website

The ESB Group trains managers for the various fields of the wood industry. It offers a wide range of courses in the field of wood science and technology. This Engineering school specialised in Wood Science and Technology, is a non-profit institute under the supervision of the French Ministry of Agriculture and Higher Education and a « Conférence des grandes écoles » member.

Information sheet - Website
The three major schools of engineer HEI, ISA and ISEN Lille combined to become the HEI ISA ISEN Group, one of the first European higher education pole in its field.

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ISEP is a graduate engineering school in Electronics, Software & Computer Engineering, Signal & Image Processing, Telecommunications and Networks, founded in 1955 and recognized by the French government. Teaching duties are shared by permanent faculty members and experts from the industrial world.

Information sheet - Website

Its institutional positioning, its encompassing and complementary training programmes – aeronautical engineering, piloting and Air Traffic Management, its Air Traffic and Air transport development oriented research activity, make ENAC a unique research and educational institution working for Civil Aviation actors in Europe and beyond.

Information sheet - Website

The "n+i" network is a consortium of more than 70 French engineering schools. It is designed for international students who have already earned an undergraduate degree equivalent to a bachelor.

Information sheet - Website

3/ Specialized schools

France is internationally recognized in the fields of gastronomy, hotel management, fashion, and film, among other areas.

Numerous specialized schools offer programs in these and other fields, such as comic art (bande dessinée), animation, video games, photography, and the performing arts, as well as journalism, communication, paramedical specialties, social work, and more.

Specialized schools may offer government-sanctioned diplomas or degrees that are specific to the granting institution. Specialized schools prepare students for professional practice.
Most programs are 2 to 5 years in length. Admission decisions are typically based on examination results or on an evaluation of the student’s application.

MOD’ART International, the Private International Institute of Arts and Fashion, prepares students for the entire range of careers in fashion, from design to management, in its two training divisions.

Located in France, Studialis is a group of 24 higher education institutions.
With close to 40 programs taught in English and over 100 taught in French, we are dedicated to providing high-quality education in the fields of business, the arts, cinema, culture, design, theater and many more.