

# Aix-en-Provence 2026

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Aix-en-Provence known as 'the city of water and art' is located in the South of France. The local hot springs date back to Roman times & it is renowned as the birthplace of Paul Cézanne. Through the centuries other artists have been captivated by the light of this town, and by its natural and cultural heritage. Its narrow streets, colourful buildings, fountains and markets attract visitors from every corner of the globe. Aix-en-Provence is a young, vibrant and lively university town with approximately 30,000 students.

With over 45 years of teaching experience the college offers a great study location to suit ALL linguistic needs (across 6 language levels).

The school in Aix, is set in a charming turn-of-the-century building facing a boulevard lined with magnificent plane trees on one side and lovely green gardens on the other. The school has 16 classrooms, a multi-media centre, a reception area & a lounge with a library next to the sunny terrace, situated just a short walk from the town centre.

The college appeals to CESA students on a year-round basis, but particularly so in the summer months. Early bookings for July and August recommended

The wide range of French courses on offer includes general language skills & a range of cultural courses. The college suits adults looking to improve for business or social reasons, 18yrs+ students revising prior to DELF exams.







# **Star Courses:**

General group courses, DELF Preparation, French group classes plus cultural options

Minimum age: 18 Minutes per lesson: 45

## **Courses Available**

#### **Standard Course**

20 lessons per week
Class size: max 10 people.
Very popular with all language
abilities. Based on a modern,
communicative style of teaching,
students are able to improve
understanding and expression of
colloquial and formal written skills

## **Intensive Course**

according to their ability

As Standard Course plus 10 small group lessons (not open to beginners).

Additional practical exercises are used to encourage greater confidence & automatic reflex in oral expression and improved pronunciation.

## **Combined Course**

As Standard programme plus a further 4, 6, 8 or 10 private lessons each week. Ideal for all abilities.

#### **DELF Preparation**

16 mini group afternoon classes preparation x 1 week (generally combined with several weeks Standard or Intensive courses)
Format: 2-6 students per class or 10 private lessons Offered on set dates
Exam fees are at additional cost
Levels offered: B1 & B2

## French & Activities

As Standard course +

- Hiking,

- Provencal culture

### **Private Tuition**

10, 20 or 30 lessons pr week Any Monday by arrangement

# **Accommodation**

Arrive: Sunday PM Depart: Saturday AM

NB: Hosts generally live in apartments around 12/30 minutes' commute on foot or by bus to college each day.

Option 1 Host family, single room, B&B

Option 2 Host family, single room, self-catering (limited places)

Option 3 Host family, single room, half-board

Option 4 Hotels, studio apartments and residences on request

 Course Prices
 Euros

 CESA Fee: € 70.00 per person
 For full price list refer to CESA Course Quote Finder online www.cesalanguages.com

 \* No beginners accepted on one week Standard Courses or any Intensive Courses (all durations)

 Standard Course
 1 wk € 540.00 \*
 2 wks € 870.00
 3 wks € 1260.00
 4 wks € 1650.00
 6 wks € 2310.00
 8 wks € 3050.00

 Intensive Course
 1 wk € 740.00
 2 wks € 1270.00
 3 wks € 1860.00
 4 wks € 2450.00
 6 wks € 3510.00
 8 wks € 4650.00

Combined (20 + 4)1 wk € 800.00 2 wks € 1390.00 Combined (20+8) 1 wk € 1060.00 2 wks € 1910.00 DELF Exam Prep 1 wk French & Hiking 2 wks € 1320.00 French & Provence 2 wks € 1320.00 € 1200.00 Private Tuition (10) 1 wk € 740.00 2 wks € 1390.00 Private Tuition (20) 1 wk € 1390.00 2 wks € 2690.00

# **Accommodation Prices** For alternative duration costs refer to **Course Quote Finder** online

**Accommodation Fee:** N/A on host accommodation **EUR 35.00** on other options (Hotel/apartments etc)

Option 1 1 wk € 231.00 2 wks € 462.00

Option 2 1 wk € 226.00 2 wks € 452.00 3 wks € 677.00 4 wks € 903.00 6 wks € 1355.00 8 wks € 1806.00 12 wks € 2407.00 Option 3 1 wk € 313.00 2 wks € 626.00 3 wks € 939.00 4 wks € 1252.00 6 wks € 1877.00 8 wks € 2503.00 12 wks € 3528.00

**Travel:** Fly to Marseille-Provence airport and take the shuttle service (approx. **EUR 10.00**) or taxi (approx. **EUR 90.00**) from the airport to your accommodation in Aix. The school can arrange a taxi for you (to be paid in cash direct to the driver during the transfer).

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#### Jo: Standard Course

"I loved the fact that everyone REALLY had to speak French both in and out of class. Tackling French grammar was no picnic, but I've definitely improved. The teachers gave us great support as a class and as individuals – which really made a huge difference. Now my French is better than my elder sister's (which she's not at all amused about) and I feel so much more confident with the language. Thanks CESA."

## **Mark: Standard Course**

"Aix is fabulous, the food is amazing and my hostess has become a second mother to me. I hope to stay in contact with the friends I made in the college. Two weeks just wasn't long enough!"

#### **Heather: Standard Course**

"Having recently completed a week's course in Aix en Provence I would like to say how much I enjoyed the course. The teaching was very good indeed. The structure within the lessons was most effective. The encouragement to participate orally was very, very positive and I found the course immensely helpful. Aix itself was a perfect place to spend a week and the school was excellent."

#### **Course Start Dates**

Applies to general language courses. Start dates in red are also open to beginners on Standard Course only \* = Tuesday start date due to Monday public holiday

month	dates				
January	05	12	19	26	
February	02	09	16	23	
March	02	09	16	23	30
April	07 <b>*</b>	13	20	27	
May	04	11	18	26 <b>*</b>	
June	01	08	15	22	29
July	06	13	20	27	
August	03	10	17	24	31
September	07	14	21	28	
October	05	12	19	26	
November	02	09	16	23	30
December	07	14#	# 2 wks max duration		

## Set start dates:

**DELF Prep/ B1 & B2** 05 & 26 Jan, 23 Feb, 03 Mar, 01 & 29 Jun, 10 Aug, 28 Sept, 26, Oct, 23 Nov.

French & Hiking: 16 Mar, 08 Jun, 14 Sept, 12 Oct

French & Provencal Culture: 13 Apr, 22 June, 31 Aug, 28 Sept

**Public Holidays:** Please note lessons lost due to holidays WILL BE made up, in the week. Dates affected: o6 Apr, o1, o8, 14 & 25 May, 14 Jul, 15 Aug, o1 & 11 Nov in 2026. Closing: 18 Dec'26 / Re opening: o4 Jan '27









## **CESA Plus Points:**

## Aix:

Start in the Cours Mirabeau (a street lined with cafes, restaurants and elegant mansions, and shaded by several rows of centuries-old plane trees) sit at one of the terraces and watch life go by while sipping a coffee & listen to the water playing in nearby fountains ~ explore the Old Town to the north and the Quartier Mazarin to the south ~ must sees include the Musée Granet (great 17<sup>th</sup> c. painting collection), the Atelier Cézanne & the Foundation Vasarely. Nightlife is busy throughout the year, with bars a plenty, some great restaurants & of course the high student population ensures there is no shortage of clubs.

## Aix College:

Suits adults (all ages) ~ Ideal for year-round classes but most popular in the May/September period ~ good course options and great location ~ wide range of accommodation offered ~ a sociable college but gets really busy in the summer, so book early!