

Bordeaux 2027



Established in 1992, the French language school moved to a 19th century town house in 2025. There are 6 classrooms over 2 floors, a small kitchenette and a common area where students relax between classes. The school is situated just a few minutes' walk from the Botanical garden and 10 minutes' walk from Place Gambetta and the historic centre, surrounded by bars, restaurants and shops.

With over 30 years of teaching experience the college offers a highly enjoyable central city environment to suit ALL linguistic needs from beginner through to the advanced learner (across 6 language levels on general language courses) and caters for between 25 and 60 students each month.

The city appeals as a year-round destination, as there is so much to do and see, whatever the season.

Situated in the southwest of France, Bordeaux lies close to the Atlantic seaboard and is the capital of the Aquitaine region. It is set on the banks of the river Garonne and is famous for its magnificent wines. Home to some 700,000 people, Bordeaux is a thriving University city with style ~ wide avenues, neo-classical architecture and elegant public parks. There is a lively student scene throughout the academic year, though of course it is the wine industry and commerce generally, that brought great wealth to the region.



Star Courses:

Standard Course and French & Wine programme

Minimum age: 16
Minutes per lesson: 45

Courses Available

Standard (20) Course

The Standard course is made up of 20 lessons per week, four lessons.

Class size: max 12 (14 in peak months)
Ideal for all age groups (16 yrs+) and language abilities.

Students study all 4 main language skills: speak, read, write and listen according to their language level. Focus is always on oral communication. The teachers will help students learn to speak and write with fluency and accuracy in everyday situations according to their goals and current knowledge.

Private Tuition

Any Monday by request

Accommodation

Arrive: **Sunday PM** Depart: **Saturday AM**

NB: Accommodation is generally a bus ride from the language school (allow 15 to 30 mins).

Option 1 Hosts, single room, B&B (with kitchen access)

Option 2A Hosts, single room, half-board (approx. 30 mins by public transport)

Option 2B Hosts, single room, half-board (over 30 mins by public transport)

For Year-round or summer residence: Single rooms, self-catering or Hotel/Apartment details (see Accommodation PDF details)



Intensive (30) Course

As Standard programme plus 10 group lessons each week.

French Plus courses

Standard Course + cultural activities or wine appreciation. *For elementary/A2+ levels only*

~ French & Wine

Standard Course + 3 wine related activities arranged through the tourist board
1 week course / 18yrs+
Offered throughout the year

~ French & Culture

Standard Course + 4 activities; walking tour, museum visit, pastry workshop, vineyard excursion etc. *Varies depending on the weather*
1 week course / 18 yrs+
Offered throughout the year

Course Prices Euros Please see CESA Course Quote Finder @ www.cesalanguages.com for alternative course prices & durations

Summer supplement: Not applicable to tuition.

CESA Fee: € 70.00 per person

Standard (20)	1 wk € 400.00	2 wks € 720.00	3 wks € 920.00	4 wks € 1200.00	6 wks € 1760.00	8 wks € 2040.00
Intensive (30)	1 wk € 520.00	2 wks € 960.00	3 wks € 1250.00	4 wks € 1640.00	6 wks € 2420.00	
French & Wine	1 wk € 680.00	French & Culture	1 wk € 750.00			
Private Tuition (10)	1 wk € 830.00	2 wks € 1580.00				
Private Tuition (16)	1 wk € 1280.00	2 wks € 2480.00				

Accommodation Prices

Summer supplements 2 May – 2 October 2027: Opt 1 €40.00 per week : Opt 2 €50.00 per week

Hotel & Apartment rates: Early bookings are advised

Option 1 B&B	1 wk € 360.00	2 wks € 605.00	3 wks € 850.00	4 wks € 1095.00		
Option 2A ½ brd	1 wk € 470.00	2 wks € 825.00	3 wks € 1180.00	4 wks € 1535.00	6 wks € 2245.00	8 wks € 2955.00
Option 2B ½ brd	1 wk € 430.00	2 wks € 745.00	3 wks € 1060.00	4 wks € 1375.00	6 wks € 2005.00	8 wks € 2635.00

Additional costs: En suite bathroom: € 45.00 per week Special diet request (e.g. gluten free): € 45.00 per week

Travel: Fly direct to Bordeaux. Transfers: Bordeaux airport: €75.00 Bordeaux St Jean Station: €65.00. Otherwise, please take a taxi or bus into the city.



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Mr King:

"There was a good variety of approaches with plenty of opportunities to speak. The right balance between "closed" and more "open" exercises. Some interesting and relevant material was used for example films and newspapers. The school was well organised but very relaxed, allowing pupils of all ages to mix comfortably. I particularly enjoyed the 2 ½ hours of one to one lessons with the same teacher as had taught me in the morning group lessons."

Michaela:

"My expectations were met; most of the teachers structured their lessons using the four different skills. The atmosphere in the school exceeded my expectations and I made a lot of friends there. I really enjoyed the school and its atmosphere, it was a great place to make friends and the majority of the teachers were approachable. The best parts were the people that I met there, the improvements I made linguistically and Bordeaux is a great city for students."

Course Start Dates

Applies to Standard 20 & Intensive 26 Courses.

Start dates in red are also open to beginners (all year round group courses).

* = Tuesday start dates

month	dates				
January	04	11	18	25	
February	01	08	15	22	
March	01	08	15	22	30*
April	05	12	19	26	
May	03	10	17	24	31
June	07	14	21	28	
July	05	12	19	26	
August	02	09	16	23	30
September	06	13	20	27	
October	04	11	18	25	
November	01	08	15	22	29
December	06	13#	# 1 wk max course duration		

Private Tuition: Any Monday by arrangement (all levels)

French & Wine: Any Monday on request (A2+ levels)

French & Culture: Any Monday on request (A2+ levels)

Public Holidays: Group lessons lost due to holidays are not made up. Dates affected 29 Mar & 14 Jul in '27 (€40.00 discount applied for the 2 affected weeks). School closure: 18 Dec 2027 School opening: 02 Jan 2028

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CESA Plus Points:

Bordeaux:

A city that knows about "joie de vivre" & takes pleasure seriously: strolling along the Garonne or in the pedestrian streets ~ sitting on a café terrace and enjoying the mild year-round climate ~ admiring magnificent architecture & art collections ~ sampling some of the finest wines together with the excellent local cuisine ~ the Bordelaise and adult students may well start the evening with an apéritif, on the terrace of Le Régent, in place Gambetta, but a range of bars & clubs attract the 18yrs+ crowd.

Bordeaux School:

Good quality language course options for general language improvement ~ ideal for adults & older students.