

## Aix-en-Provence 2024



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 exams and students requiring a Gap Year course for long term study.



### Star Courses:

Languages for Life ~  
General group course options plus optional cultural classes; cookery, painting, horse-riding, yoga & walking!

**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 according to their ability

#### Intensive Course

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, 5, 8 or 10 private lessons each week. Ideal for all abilities.

#### Languages for Life

20 lessons per week.  
8, 16, 24 weeks duration  
No beginners (A2 to B1 levels)  
In-depth study over an extended period for students who wish to reach a good to excellent knowledge and gain a solid command of French for academic or professional reasons. Ideal for students working towards DELF /DALF exams.

#### French & Activities

As Standard course +  
- Walking,  
- Provençal culture

#### Extra options – booked in Aix

- Painting,  
- Horse riding,  
- Yoga  
- Provençal Cooking,

#### 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.

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| 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**

For full price list refer to CESA Course Quote Finder online [www.cesalanguages.com](http://www.cesalanguages.com)

**CESA Fee: € 60.00 per person**

\* No beginners accepted on one week/Standard courses or the Languages for Life courses

<b>Languages for Life</b>	8 wks € 2405.00*	16 wks € 4725.00*	24 wks € 7045.00*			
<b>Standard Course</b>	1 wk € 535.00 *	2 wks € 845.00	3 wks € 1225.00	4 wks € 1605.00	6 wks € 2125.00	8 wks € 2565.00
<b>Intensive Course</b>	1 wk € 715.00	2 wks € 1205.00	3 wks € 1765.00	4 wks € 2325.00	6 wks € 3205.00	8 wks € 4005.00
<b>Combined (20 + 4)</b>	1 wk € 791.00	2 wks € 1349.00	<b>Combined (20+8)</b>	1 wk € 1047.00	2 wks € 1837.00	
<b>DELTA Exam Prep</b>	2 wks € 1485.00	<b>French &amp; Walking</b>	2 wks € 1295.00	<b>French &amp; Provençal</b>	2 wks € 1295.00	
<b>Private Tuition (10)</b>	1 wk € 725.00	2 wks € 1365.00	<b>Private Tuition (20)</b>	1 wk € 1345.00	2 wks € 2605.00	
Extra Options: Painting/2 wks Horse Riding/2 wks Yoga/2 wks Wine Tasting/2 wks Cookery classes/2 wks Options booked in Aix, not via CESA						

### Accommodation Prices

For alternative duration costs refer to **Course Quote Finder** online

**Accommodation Fee:** N/A on host accommodation **EUR 30.00** 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
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 € 2407.00
						12 wks € 3528.00

**Travel:** Fly to Marseille-Provence airport and take the shuttle service (approx. **EUR 8/10.00**) or taxi (approx. **EUR 70/80.00**) 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).



## Jo: Languages for Life

"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, it was an incredible 3 months."

## 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	08	22
February	05	19
March	04	18
April	02*	15 29
May	13	27
June	10	24
July	08	22
August	05	19
September	02	16 30
October	14	28
November	12*	25
December	09#	# 1 wk max course duration

Set start dates apply to:

**Languages for Life:** 22 Jan, 18 Mar, 13 May, 08 Jul, 02 Sept, 28 Oct

**French & Walking:** 18 Mar, 10 Jun, 16 Sept, 14 Oct

**French & Provençal Culture:** 04 Mar, 15 April, 24 June, 02 Sept

**Public Holidays:** Please note lessons lost due to holidays WILL BE made up, in the week. Dates affected: 01 Apr, 01, 08, 09 & 20 May, 14 Jul, 15 Aug, 01 & 11 Nov in 2024. Closing: 20<sup>th</sup> Dec '24/Re opening: 6<sup>th</sup> Jan '25

## 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 cappuccino or latte & 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 Fondation 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) & late teens ~ Ideal for students year-round, 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!