

## Summer Teenage Camp

### Biarritz 2025

Open to **13 to 14 yr** old students

#### Is this the course for you?

Yes. If you're looking for an immersion French course, staying in a self-contained Campus residence. It's perfect for older teenagers looking to work on their French, in a teenage only study environment (by the sea) with other language students from across Europe. Students really enjoy living on the Atlantic coast, in Bayonne, just north of Biarritz.

The courses are popular ~ so early reservations are advised!

#### Location Plus Points

- Biarritz is a smart, lively Atlantic town; sunny & coastal
- The Campus in Bayonne offers a small, self-contained friendly learning environment
- A popular summertime location with teenage language learners
- Combine your French studies with a Surfing course

#### Course Plus Points

- Tutors are all native speakers who are also professional teachers of French as a foreign language.
- Only French will be spoken in class
- Relaxed yet lively classroom atmosphere
- Perfect for GCSE, A' level or Leaving Cert levels
- 20 French lessons per week format offered
- Surfing, activities, and excursions are all overseen by school group leaders



#### French & Surf Course

20 French language lessons per week  
+ 4 afternoons of surf instruction (surf lessons times dependent on the tides, duration of approx. 90 minutes)

Surfing lessons take place in Biarritz or Anglet

Students are driven to the beach by language school staff and back to the Campus residence after the session

Wetsuits and boards provided  
8 students per surfing group/instructor  
Maximum 14 students per French level

Social activities, excursions and one evening event are included in the programme

**NB: ONLY 24 student places on the programme, so please book early!**

#### French Course Notes

Prior to arrival students will complete a level test

##### Levels offered:

A2 Elementary/B2 Intermediate

On the first Monday of a course, students have an Induction Talk. French classes will always start on Monday at 10.10 hrs through to 12.30 hrs  
Tuesday to Friday classes are held 09.00 hrs to 12.30 hrs (with a 20-minute break)  
So, there are 15 hours (or 20 lessons x 45 minutes) in total per week (no homework is set).

The programme covers all the different elements of the French language. Students are taught a wide range of language learning tools; covering speaking, reading, writing and listening skills according to their current French language level.

The main focus of the course is always oral communication and the teachers are all university educated, native speakers.

Students are always encouraged to participate actively in class and to put their new-found French skills into practice.

## Course Dates: 2025

Arrival: Sunday  
Course runs: **Monday / Friday**  
Departure: Saturday

**June 30**

Duration: Two or four weeks ONLY  
# End of Summer Sessions: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025

No beginners. Elementary/ High intermediate levels only (equivalent to completion of 1<sup>st</sup> year GCSE level and above)

\* **Public Holidays: Not applicable**  
– no French lessons are held on public holidays, other activities (surfing/sporting etc) are provided instead.



### Language School:

The Biarritz French college operates as a language camp each summer, catering for students aged 13/14 yrs.

In 2025, the programme will be based in Domaine Pignada Residence, situated between the centre of Bayonne and the Grande Plage, Biarritz. The residence offers excellent facilities including on-site accommodation (110 rooms, 2 restaurants, classrooms and sports facilities: swimming pool, pelota wall, an equipped gymnasium, football and rugby fields.

## Course Fees: 2024

### French & Surfing

Tuition & shared room on Campus

CESA Admin fee: € 70.00

2 wks € 2,900.00

**Fees include:** Tuition, social programme, 2-way transfer and accommodation (shared rooms of 2 to 8 people/full-board)

**Extra night:** Not offered

**Special diets:** Not offered

### Teenage Students:

Most teenagers come from Western Europe – specifically Spain, Germany and Switzerland. With additional students from Russia, America, Japan, Ireland and the UK. Of course, every teenager is welcome, whatever their nationality.

### Course Timetable

- ~ First Sunday: **Arrival by 13.00hrs**, followed by city tour & afternoon swim assessment at the beach<sup>#</sup>
- ~ First Monday: Welcome & Induction at the school
- ~ Monday Classes: 10.10 to 12.30hrs
- ~ Tuesday/Friday: 09.00 to 12.30 hrs (inc 20 mins break)
- ~ Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner arranged at the residence
- ~ Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri: Surfing sessions
- ~ Additional Activities arranged in late afternoons when required
- ~ Wednesday: Half-day excursion
- ~ Saturday: Full-day excursion (departure at end of course)
- ~ Sunday: Free time in Biarritz

<sup>#</sup> If students provide an official swim certificate from their home country, they do not need to attend the swim test.

*The school are considering asking that students have a covid vaccination certificate or have taken a covid test. Details to be confirmed.*

### Curfew

Students are not allowed off Campus on this programme without group leaders. They will be able to explore Biarritz for shopping etc, under supervision.





### Sample Weekly timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday #	Saturday	Sunday
07.30am	Wake up and breakfast together						
09.00am/ 12.30am	French lessons					Departure Or Full day excursion for students staying for 2 weeks or longer	Arrival + Swim test
12.30pm	Picnic lunch or lunch at the residence (time varies depending on activities)						
Approx 2pm/ 6.30pm*  * surfing depends on tide times	Surf Session	Surf session	Half-day Trip	Surf session	Surf session		Evening welcome meeting
	Games	Chocolate Museum		Beach volleyball	Treasure hunt		
6.30pm +/-	Dinner at the residence & evening on site at the residence with the group leaders						

#### Surf sessions:

1.5hrs duration. Supervision ratio of 1 member of staff to 8 students  
 Timetable will vary depending on tides and weather conditions – staff will advise the students once in Biarritz  
 Fully qualified instructors at the partner surf school  
 Lessons adapted to the needs and levels of the participants; groups of 8 students maximum

#### Additional activity sessions:

Supervision ratio of 1 member of staff to 12 students (8 students for surfing)  
 Each activity is supervised by qualified professionals or a school representative

