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International Students Accommodation

2009/2010



How to find accommodation in Bordeaux?

BEM does not have its own dormitories and cannot guarantee accommodation to students. However, the student association "Melting Potes" will help students to find suitable accommodation (see details further below)

Please note that the exchange student office is not able to arrange accommodation.

We strongly recommend students to book accommodation before arrival.

■ RESIDENCES

You will find all the residences' addresses on the site www.adele.org (rates, contact, photos etc.) Below are some residences that will provide you with accommodation if you book well in advance.

■ On-campus residences in Talence

DOMOFRANCE (adjacent to the school)

Résidence "Le Campus"

80, rue Ronsard, 33405 Talence

Tel: (33) 556 84 25 30 – fax: (33) 556 84 82 89

<http://www.domofrance.fr>

E-mail as soon as possible to vincent.calvet@domofrance.fr or etudiants@domofrance.fr

Individual and doubles rooms are furnished & fully equipped (additional facilities: launderette, fitness room, TV room, tennis court). An individual room is about 395 € / month and a double room is about 450 € / month.

■ Downtown Bordeaux

CITEA (30 minutes from the school)

1 bis, rue Jean-Renaud Dandicolle, 33000 Bordeaux

Tel: (33) 556 56 18 00 – fax: (33) 556 56 18 01

<http://www.citea.com>

Email as soon as possible to bordeaux@citea.com

RATES from 01/01/2009 TO 31/12/2009

	Single studio Rate per night (in €)	Double studio Rate per night (in €)
1 night	46.00	48.00
7 nights or more	38.00	40.00
1 month (included) to 9 months period	27.00	31.00
Over 9 months period	22.00	26.00
French breakfast	7.50	7.50
Parking	day week month	7.00 40.00 100.00
Sheets/Towels	per person	8.00
Kitchen cleaning	20.00	20.00
Telephone	unit	0.30

For a stay of 1 month and more, a guarantee deposit of 750.00 € is requested, debited from your account and refunded 60 days after your departure.
For a stay between 7 and 30 nights, a deposit of 245 € will be requested and refunded at the departure after the inventory of fixtures.
You need to add a tax of 0.85 € per day.

LES ESTUDINES DE L'YSER (30 minutes from the school by bus)

183, Cours de l'Yser

33000 Bordeaux

Tel: (33) 556 94 32 06 – fax: (33) 556 31 94 39

<http://www.estudines.fr>

Email as soon as possible to bordeaux.yser@estudines.fr

RATES for 2009/2010

Rates in euros	T1 24M² 1 bedroom with entrance & kitchen & bathroom	T1 bis + 24M² 1 bedroom with entrance & kitchen & bathroom	T2 2 bedrooms with entrance & kitchen & bathroom
Furnished	518*	547*	700*

All the apartments are equipped with a kitchen, hotplates, fridge, microwave and dishes. Cupboards and storage units. Bathroom. Sofa or bed, table, chairs, desk, lamps.
Administrative fees: 321 € for a T1, 338 € for a T1bis and 431 € for a T2.

A guarantee deposit is requested.

* These prices include charges (except for electricity)

■ Between Bordeaux and the school

STUD'OTEL (30 minutes from the school by bus)

1, rue Clément Thomas

33400 TALENCE

Tel: (33) 556 84 59 59 Fax: (33) 556 84 59 60

<http://www.studotel.fr/>

Email as soon as possible to studotel2@wanadoo.fr

RATES FROM MAY 2008 TO MAY 2010

Rates in Euros	Studio A 1 Person	Studio B 2 persons	Studio C 2 persons	T2 2/3 persons
1 night	39	45	50	66
1 week	32	34	38	50
From 1 to 3 months	466	500	551	672
Extra night	22	24	26	30
Long stay (+ than 3 months)	448	480	520	641
Extra night	21	22	25	29

Stud'otel is situated near the School's campus, not far from the shops and conveniences and 15 minutes from Bordeaux city center by tram.

All the studios are furnished and fully equipped: kitchen with plates, dishes etc... to bedding with blanket and pillows.

■ GOING ON THE PRIVATE MARKET

Another possibility is to rent a room on the private market.

■ Melting Potes

This international student association will assist exchange students in housing. Email as soon as possible to pb2face@hotmail.com

■ CROUS, CIJA and IMMOCHOOL also offer a wide variety of accommodations for students through ads

C.R.O.U.S. (Centre Régional des Ouvres Universitaires & Sociales)

50, rue du Hamel, 33000 Bordeaux

Tel: (33) 556 33 92 00

<http://www.crous-bordeaux.fr>

C.I.J.A (Centre d'Information Jeunesse Aquitaine)

4, rue du Duffour Dubergier, 33000 Bordeaux

Tel: (33) 556 33 92 00

<http://www.cija.net>

IMMOSCHOOL

BEM is a member of the network ImmoSchool. www.immo-school.com is a free service which allows you to consult adverts of accommodation in Bordeaux. The adverts can be deposited by students, owners, agencies and residences. To acquire the name, phone number and email of the advertiser, you will need the code **01bem**.

[http://www.immo-school.com/
contact@immoschool.fr](http://www.immo-school.com/contact@immoschool.fr)

■ To find flats & room-mates with whom to share a flat

<http://www.espaceetudiant.net/>
<http://www.apartager.com>
<http://www.paruvendu.fr/>
<http://www.kitrouve.com/>
<http://www.sudouest-immo.com>
<http://www.leboncoin.fr>
<http://www.mapiaule.com>
<http://www.pap.fr>
<http://www.seloger.com>
<http://www.immoschool.fr>

■ HOUSING INSURANCE

French regulations stipulate that all tenants must take out a **housing insurance** covering common risks (civil responsibility, fire, flood, theft). You must show a statement of housing insurance to obtain the keys of the apartment.

You can be insured by:

■ Banks

We are used to work with **Credit Lyonnais**
571, cours de la Libération, Talence
Tel: (33) 557 35 01 32 Fax: (33) 557 35 01 39
Monday to Wednesday 9:00 -12:30 / 13:40 -18:00
Thursday 9:00 -12:30 / 14:40 -18:00
Friday 8:30 - 12:30

■ Insurance Companies

A few examples :

AXA Cabinet Fradin & Lassalle Agents généraux
188, cours Gambetta, Talence
Tel: (33) 556 80 57 23
agence.fradin-lasalle@axa.fr

AXA Lemarchand - S. de Nombel-B.Fabre

15 bis, place Quinconces, Bordeaux

Tel: (33) 556 44 00 13

agence.vldn@axa.fr

■ **French Mutuelles**

LMDE www.lmde.com or **VITTAVI** www.vittavi.fr

Thursday 9:00 - 12:30 / 14:40 - 18:00

Friday 8.30 -12.30 / 14.30 - 18.00

■ **HOUSING BENEFIT FROM THE CAF**

The **French Caisse d'Allocations Familiales (C.A.F)** grants a monthly amount to help students pay their housing in France. It is automatically granted to students who are from E.U. Non E.U. students may receive - or not - this housing benefit depending on the type of visa. In any case, upon arrival they should submit their file to the CAF which will inform them whether or not they are entitled to receive the housing benefit. This housing benefit ("Aide pour le Logement - **APL**") is subject to income conditions. As soon as you have your definitive housing address in France, apply for it on-line at <http://www.gironde.caf.fr>.

Once your application is accepted, the amount will be transferred on your bank account in France. It can only be backdated three months and the first month is never granted.

Caisse d'Allocations Familiales de la Gironde

Rue du Docteur Gabriel Péri, 33078 Bordeaux Cedex

Open from Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

On-line data service: 0 820 25 33 10

Requested documents to apply (subject to change):

- Income statement of the previous year (to fill in upon arrival);
- A copy of your rental contract (or ask your owner to fill in the special CAF form);
- A school certificate "certificat de scolarité" or a copy of your student ID;
- Bank identification (RIB) of your bank account in France;
- A copy of your residence permit ("carte de séjour") or the renewal receipt ("récépissé de renouvellement") (not needed for E.U. students).

The CAF calculates the amount of Housing Benefit according to different factors:

- Rent
- Number of occupants in the apartment
- Income of the occupants in the apartment
- Location and size of the housing

You will receive a confirmation letter from the **CAF** at your address in Bordeaux.

■ A FEW TIPS

■ Rental contract

The rental contract ("bail" or "contrat de location") describes the apartment, the rent, how and when the rent should be paid and revised, the amount of the deposit and the date on which the lease begins. Two copies are made and signed by the landlord and the tenant (that's you). The landlord should send a receipt for each rental payment made. This is necessary not only as proof of payment, but also to give you the proof of where you are living ("justification de domicile"), so frequently requested by the administrative services (to obtain the residence permit "carte de séjour", to open a bank account and so on)...

The inventory of fixtures ("état des lieux") prior to moving in, a complete inventory of the contents and the condition of the property is established between the landlord (or his agent) and the tenant). This inventory is signed by both parties and each keeps a copy. This is an important document as it meticulously describes the state of the apartment on entry, and will refer to when the tenant leaves the property. This inventory has to be done when you arrive and when you leave the apartment.

The deposit ("dépôt de garantie"), is equivalent to one months' rent, and kept by the landlord until the tenant leaves the apartment. It is returned after all money owing on the apartment has been paid (rent, repairs, utilities, etc...).

If there is any damage, the deposit is used to pay for any necessary repairs or cleaning.

Pay attention to all the details (broken furniture or damaged walls) because you will be charged (on your guarantee "caution") for any differences!

Warning:

- If you rent a furnished apartment, the rental agreement is for one year but can be dismissed by a registered letter ("lettre avec accusé de réception") 1 month prior to your departure and should specify that the apartment is furnished.
- If you rent a non-furnished apartment, the rental agreement usually is of 3 years but can be dismissed by a registered letter ("lettre avec accusé de réception") 3 months prior to your departure (read very carefully your rental contract it must be written on it).

ADIL (**A**gence **D**épartementale pour l'**I**nformation sur le **L**ogement) can help and inform you on all housing & renting laws in France : <http://www.adil.org/>

Address:

ADIL de la Gironde

105 avenue Emile Counord, 33300 Bordeaux

Tél: (33) 557 10 09 10

adil33@wanadoo.fr

■ Things to know beforehand

- You will need to find a furnished apartment or you will need to buy furniture (you can always sell it back to the other exchange students the following semester).
- If possible, try to avoid the Estate Agencies, as they that will charge you a lot (in any case, show your student ID card and try to negotiate the fees), try to deal directly with owners.
- Do not forget to ask if the utilities (heat, hot water, cold water, waste, elevator) are included or not in the rent. If not, be aware that you will have additional bills. If the rent is 380 € TTC, it means that all the operating costs are included. If the rent is 350 € + 45 € CC, it means a rent of 350 € and 45 € for operating costs for a total cost of 395 € / month. **Always ask exactly which are the operating costs included in the rent to avoid nasty surprises!**
- A studio is a room from 18 to 30 m2 with a small kitchen & bathroom. Price: around 300 - 400 €/month.
- An F2 or T2 is a two-room apartment (living room and bedroom) with a bathroom & kitchen. Price: around 400/500 € / month.
- If you intend to book a room in a hotel, per day, you will pay a minimum of 40 € per day.
- Rent is to be paid in advance, usually before the 5th of the month by check or bank transfer. In addition to the first month's rent, you will often have to make a deposit of 1 month of rent as a guarantee deposit ("caution"); it will be handed back provided that you leave the apartment in good condition. In the event of repairs, the cost will be deducted from your deposit. NB - Although it is a security deposit, that amount will be debited from your account. You must have enough funds!

■ Useful Abbreviations

- **CC** or **Cc**: charges comprises, operating costs included
- **TCC**: toutes charges comprises, all costs included
- **T1** or **F1**: the number after the T or F indicates the number of rooms in the apartment (except bathroom & kitchen)
- **RDC**: rez-de-chaussée, ground-floor
- **SDB**: salle de bains, bath-room
- **SDE**: douche, shower

See you soon at BEM!



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