



Université de Provence

Aix-Marseille 1

PROFILE

The Université de Provence (Aix-Marseille I) is a public institution with a scientific, cultural, and professional mission. It was formed in 1969 through a merger of the faculty of arts and letters of Aix-en-Provence and the faculty of sciences of Marseille.

From its origins, the Université de Provence has had a strong comprehensive and multidisciplinary character. The university pursues its teaching and research missions primarily in the cities of Marseille and Aix-en-Provence, but professional programs are offered at sites in Arles, Aubagne, Digne, and Lambesc.

Today the Université de Provence enrolls 22,000 students. A faculty of more than 1,000 professors and lecturers is complemented by a corps of some 500 researchers affiliated with national research organizations such as CNRS, INRA, and IRD. The staff numbers some 700 engineers, technicians, and administrators.

Training

A comprehensive set of academic (Licence, Master, Doctorat) and professional programs of study -aligned with the European system of Licence, master, and doctoral degrees- is divided into two broad disciplinary areas, **Arts and Letters and Sciences**.

At the Licence level, an extensive array of programs is available in Literature, in the Humanities, and in science and technology. At the master level, the Université de Provence offers a choice of 23 degrees in Literature, and the Humanities, and 17 more in science and technology.

Main programmes of study

Arts; Languages French, literature, and linguistics; European, Asian, Latin American, and Middle-Eastern languages and cultures; archaeology; anthropology; geography; history; philosophy; psychology; and sociology.

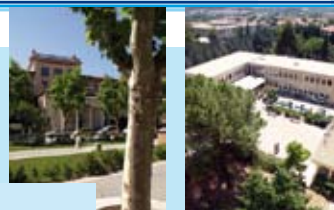
Mathematics, computer science, physics, chemistry, biotechnology, geology, neuroscience, environmental science.

Complete program details are available at <http://www.univ-provence.fr> > formations

International

With more than 300 inter-university agreements at the European and international levels and 3,300 international students (including some 900 participating in institutional exchanges), the Université de Provence has a long tradition of international cooperation at the highest academic and scientific levels. The university's commitment to internationalization is reflected in its promotion of mobility for students and faculty, the international content of its degrees and diplomas, and the teaching of more than 30 foreign languages and cultures.

A one-stop shop formally committed to high standards of quality offers special programs and services to advise and assist international students.



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Research and innovation

To increase the dynamism of its research programs, the Université de Provence has gathered the **university's science priorities into several clusters**: mathematics, computer science, energy and fusion, organic and inorganic materials, microelectronics, biochemistry, biotechnologies, microbiology, space and environmental sciences, mechanics, and astrophysics.

Literary research efforts focus on French and comparative literature, languages, literatures and cultures outside France, translation, and the arts.

In the humanities and social sciences, original, multidisciplinary research is conducted in linguistics, psychology, and philosophy using the methods of the exact sciences, while the **Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l'Homme** (MMSH, Mediterranean center for the humanities) provides a home for research focused on the Mediterranean world. History, ancient architecture, prehistoric archaeology, sociology, anthropology, and the topic of territory and exchange are centers of excellence.

Deeply engaged in the national and international issues of the region of Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, the Université de Provence participates in the ITER Project and is a member of 8 national scientific competitiveness clusters, one of which participates in a global cluster on microelectronics.

In the humanities and social sciences, the university coordinates Ramsès 2, a network of excellence that includes 33 academic institutions as members. The cognitive sciences, organized within cluster 3C, exemplify the disciplinary convergence between the neurosciences and psychology.

Each year some 1,500 doctoral candidates benefit from research appointments within 9 doctoral departments that together house the university's 70 research teams. Those teams are described in detail at <http://www.univ-provence.fr> > Recherche.

Strengths

The Université de Provence has its own center for the teaching of French as a foreign language, which offers programs for the semester, the academic year, and the summer. The center also prepares students for the TCF, DELF, and DALF, and administers the tests and examinations. More than 28 foreign languages are taught. Descriptions and photos of the university's facilities can be found at:

<http://www.up.univ-mrs.fr/~scefce>

IDENTITY FORM

www.univ-provence.fr

Precise name of the institution →	Université de Provence Aix-Marseille I
Type of institution →	Public
City where the main campus is located →	Marseille and Aix-en-Provence
Number of students →	22,000
Percentage or number of international students →	More than 3 300 foreign students
Type and level of qualifications awarded →	• LMD • Other national diplomas • Institution-specific degree
French language courses →	Yes
Programs for international students →	Yes
Programs in English →	No
Registration fees / year (for information only) →	• Year of French-language study: 3,700 euros • One-semester French preparation: 2,500 euros • Individual support paralleling diploma program: 1,100 euros
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