



# Centre d'Approches Vivantes des Langues et des Médias Vichy

## PROFILE

Cavilam was founded in 1964 by the universities of Clermont-Ferrand and the city of Vichy. It is directed jointly by the president of the Université Blaise Pascal in Clermont-Ferrand and the mayor of Vichy.

CAVILAM has four missions:

- Developing living approaches to language teaching
- Training and assisting French professors
- Welcoming students and trainees from around the world
- Actively contributing to educational innovation

The school enrolls 4,500 students each year in its various programs.

Every member of Cavilam's faculty is a specialist in the teaching of his or her native language.

### CAVILAM's courses

- Intensive courses of one week and longer
- Extensive courses of 12, 24, and 36 weeks
- Intensive courses + optional private courses
- Super-intensive courses
- Private courses
- Special-purpose courses (scientific, medical, legal, diplomatic, etc.)
- French as a foreign language: preparation for and administration of diploma examinations (DELF, DALF, CCIP) and tests (TCF, TEF)
- "Language and leisure" programs (spa, golf, tennis)
- Programs for young people: Sports and Languages

### Postsecondary programs

- Preparation for higher education in France
- With the faculty of economics and management at the Université d'Auvergne
  - University diploma (diplôme d'université), introductory studies in economics and management
  - Professional master in Management and Administration of the Companies. (2-year program)

### Programs for educators

- Intensive sessions for postsecondary faculty
- Thematic workshops
- Advanced courses in language, communication, and culture
- Seminars for trainers of trainers
- With the faculty of literature, language, and humanities at the Université Blaise Pascal
  - Master 1 in French as a foreign language (1-year program),
  - Master in teaching French as a foreign or second language (2-year program)



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### Areas of expertise

- French language and culture
- Programs for educators: teaching methods in French as a foreign language
- Development of teaching materials: multimedia and distance learning
- French for special purposes
- Certifications: preparation for and administration of tests and examinations of language proficiency

### Strengths

- High-quality teaching
- Classes beginning each Monday
- Free access to inter-university media center: independent study under faculty supervision, library, video and DVD viewing stations, computer facilities, Internet
- Students live with select host families or in university housing.
- Foreign students met at train station or airport
- Individualised assistance (residency card, bank account, medical exams, etc.)
- Cavilam's excellent cultural enrichment office organizes weekly cultural and recreational events including athletics, excursions, tours and site visits, festivals, and thematic parties.

### Location

Vichy is an attractive, leafy city in the Auvergne region of central France; it easily reached by rail and air (to the nearby Clermont-Ferrand international airport).

Cavilam's lakeside facilities are located in the international campus of the new university complex (9,000 m<sup>2</sup>). The school's state-of-the-art facilities are world class.

## IDENTITY FORM

[www.cavilam.com](http://www.cavilam.com)  
[www.leplaisird'apprendre.com](http://www.leplaisird'apprendre.com)

Precise name of the institution →	CAVILAM - Centre d'Approches Vivantes des Langues et des Médias
Type of institution →	Private
City where the main campus is located →	Vichy
Number of students →	4,500
Percentage or number of international students →	4,000
Type and level of qualifications awarded →	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher education: Master 1 FLE, Master 2 FLES, OWED Economy and Management, Master 2 professional: Business management</li> <li>• FLE: Exams: DELF / DALF - CCIP: CFJ, CFTH - Tests: TEF, TCF, TCF / DAP</li> </ul>
French language courses →	Yes
Programs for international students →	Yes
Programs in English →	Yes
Registration fees / year (for information only) →	Freshly of inscription: 54 euro, + expenses of lessons according to chosen training
Postal address →	1, avenue des Célestins - 03200 Vichy France

