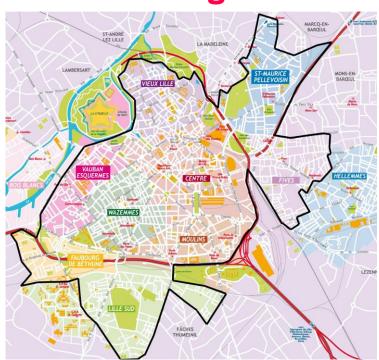


Lille is the capital of the Hauts-de-France region in northern France, near the border with Belgium.



With other towns like Lomme, Tourcoing, Roubaix, Lambersart and Villeneuve d'Ascq, it constitutes one of France's great metropolis. These towns are regrouped in the "Métropole Européenne de Lille".



ABOUT THE CITY

Lille benefits from an oceanic temperate climate. During both autumn and spring, the weather is quite mild, but the sky can sometimes stay grey for several days. It rains regularly, mostly in autumn. Temperatures can vary from 3 to 20 °C. During winter, temperatures are comprised between 0 and 6°c, sometimes going below 0°C. Either it rains or snows; or it can be very windy.



HOW TO GET TO LILLE 💿 📈

BELGIUM

- Charleroi Airport A shuttle exists between Charleroi Airport and Lille> Flibco buses will take you right in front of the terminal just a few meters from the check-in desks and they will drop you off at Lille Europe Station (from 17€): https://www.flibco.com/fr
- Bruxelles Zaventem Airport: both trains and buses are available. Check https://www.thetrainline.com/en/train-times/brussels-airport-zaventem-to-lille or Flixbus/Blablacar bus

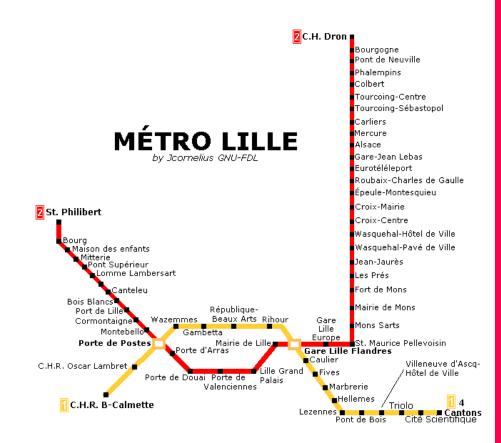
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- The Lille-Lesquin International Airport is located 10 km from Lille city centre. Shuttle service from the airport to the city centre (bus stop sign "Liaison aéroport" in front of the Euralille shopping centre) is available. Length of ride: 20min.
- PARIS: Once you are at Gare du Nord/Charles De Gaulle, you will be able to take a train to Lille (either the Lille Flandres or the Lille Europe Station). Hours and booking: https://en.oui.sncf/en/
 There are also buses(Flixbus) that link Paris Bercy to Lille in 3 hours, prices starting at 5,99€ for the one-way ticket.

For more info> https://en.lilletourism.com/get-to-lille.html

Public Transportation (bus and metro)

- One-way Ticket 1,70€
- ZAP Ticket (3 stations) 1,10€
- Monthly Ticket 60€
- But students that show their student card and their housing contract can pay 30€ per month
- More information on: <u>https://www.ilevia.fr/fr/</u>



BICYCLE



Bicycle is one of the fastest ways to go from one point to another in town. It is practical, economic and ecological!

Lille has numerous bicycle paths throughout the town. If you want to use one, you can:

- 1. Use the V'Lille, a bicycle self-service system (card: 30€ per year) https://www.ilevia.fr/cms/institutionnel/velo/vlille/;
- 2. Buy a new bicycle in stores such as B'Twin, Cyclogreen or Décathlon;
- 3. Buy a second-hand bicycle on those useful links: Association Droit au Vélo or Le Bon Coin.

HOUSING in Lille

→IMPORTANT: all contracts in France must be within 9 to 12 months but can be cancelled for free 1 month before the departure.

Hunting for Accommodation is very difficult for students.

Sciences Po Lille Housing Platform

Sciences Po does not have university accomodations but offers a special access on the platform "studapart"

https://sciencespo-lille.studapart.com/en/

Other addresses:

- De Particulier à particulier
- LocService
- EntreParticuliers
- Apparticulier
- Appartager
- Pasdagence
- Trovit
- Erasmus Place

OTHER LINKS:

https://housinganywhere.com/fr/

https://livin-france.com/

https://www.airbnb.fr/

https://www.lacartedescolocs.fr/

http://www.leboncoin.fr/

Facebook groups

Other student residences:

https://www.crous-lille.fr/international/

Les Lauréades,

Les residences Lamy, Estudines,

Le Service Logement Etudiant,

YouFirst Campus,

Citadines

More on HOUSING (a)



INSURANCE

It is highly recommended to insure your accommodation.

Useful address:

https://www.luko.eu/fr

https://www.etudassur.fr/extr anet/ACCS/#/viewAccueil

https://www.mae.fr/

GARANTOR

When looking for accommodation it is common to be asked for a French guarantor.

Here some useful addresses:

Visale, Garantme, Studapart, Airbnb

Can I benefit from the CAF's housing scheme? YES For more information, and to run a simulation: www.caf.fr

More on HOUSING

Given your experience, when do you suggest to start looking for housing in Lille?

3 months prior

4 months ago

In late July-early august, keeping in mind you will likely have to pay august rent no matter what

At least a couple of months before arriving in Lille

2-3 before arriving

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Airbnb

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Livinfrance, Housinganywhere, Colocatère

Leboncoin. fr, Studapart, Housing Anywhere, pap. fr, Bienici. fr, La carte des colocs, Chez Nestor, ParuVendu. fr

Appartager.com and studapart.com

With its 100,000 students, Lille is a very dynamic, cultural, and enjoyable town to live in, and benefits from a good transports network, the Euralille mall, and other cultural events.

EVENTS

"La Braderie": Lille hosts an annual flea market on the first weekend in September.

"Marché de Noel": Lille hosts an annual Christmas market in the main square of the city

Look at the ESN Lille/Erasmus Place/BDI Sciences Po pages on the social media for the latest events organized for international students.

FOR OTHER THINGS TO DO IN LILLE:

https://www.google.com/travel/things-to-do?hl=en-IT&gl=it&authuser=0

ABOUT

SCIENCES PO LILLE.

As an international institute, Sciences Po Lille is a highly selective public institute of higher education specialized in law, the humanities and social sciences (political science, economics, history, and sociology).

With an enrolment of 1 650 French students and 250 international students from more than 50 countries and 5 continents, Sciences Po Lille offers a large variety of courses taught in English, Spanish and, of course, French. Their acceptance rate is one of the lowest in France, as less than 10 % of applicants are granted admission.

For more info: https://www.sciencespo-lille.com/

International Students' Calendar

First semester:

Sep – Dec

Autumn Break: a week in

Novemeber

Courses

https://www.sciencespo-lille.com/current-internationalstudent/international-exchange-students/courses Second semester: Jan - May

Winter Break: a week in February

warning: there are limited spots for each course so I recommend to register immediately when the university sends the link to register to the courses. If you can't register in time to the exams you wanted, there is another opportunity in the "add and drop" period.

LIFE AT SCIENCES PO

Sciences Po Lille now has nearly 40 associations that allow students to express themselves and to get involved in large-scale projects that contribute to the school's local, national and international influence. Many events are open to the international students. One association is even focused on the integration of the international students. (BDI – "Bureau des Internationaux")

More info: https://www.sciencespo-lille.eu/etudier/vie-etudiante-et-associative/vie-associative















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Thanks!

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