TEACHING ENGLISH IN FRANCE

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English language skills are in demand in France. Teaching jobs can be found anywhere in the country, on an individual basis as well as in educational institutions and businesses. Although a certificate and formal training will open up more opportunities, many people look for positions or take students based entirely on their being English speakers with college degrees.

CERTIFICATION

There are a number of different ways to get a certification in teaching English. There are bachelor's and master's degree programs offered at colleges and universities as well as professional certification programs sponsored by TESL / TEFL / TESOL organizations, and hundreds of private schools. There are far more TESL / TEFL / TESOL certification programs in the U.S than in France. It is important to take a certification program that's recognized by one of the two TEFL certification programs: the Cambridge certificate (CELTA) and the Trinity College certificate (CertTESOL).

CELTA

The Cambridge program is often taken as a one-month intensive hands-on program. In New York City the following institutions offer Cambridge Certificate Programs:

The Teaching House

226 West 26th Street, 9th Floor New York, NY 10001 Tel: 1-800-756-2003 http://www.teachinghouse.com/

St. Giles Language Teaching Center

330 5th Ave # 7 New York, NY 10001 Tel: 1-212-967-9900 https://www.stgilesinternational.com/english-languageschools/usa

You can also visit the Cambridge English website to get the most up-to-date list of certification programs in your area.

CertTESOL

The Trinity College certifications are more diverse for specialized school contexts. Visit their website for details on each one.

USEFUL ADDRESSES

WorldTeach, Inc.

Harvard Institute for International Development

14 Story Street

Cambridge, MA 02138

Tel: (800) 483-2240 or (617) 495-5527

E-mail: info@worldteach.org
http://www.worldteach.org

IATEFL (Intl Assoc of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language)

Darwin College, University of Kent Canterbury, Kent, CT2 7NY

Tel: +44 227 276528

E-mail: generalenquiries@iatefl.org

http://www.iatefl.org/

Transitions Abroad

18 Hulst Road

Amherst, MA 01002

Phone: 917-604-7998.

http://www.transitionsabroad.com

TESOL International Association

1600 Cameron Street, Suite 300

Alexandria, VA 22314 Tel: (703) 836-0774

E-mail: publ@tesol.edu
http://www.tesol.org/

FINDING WORK

PRIVATE AMERICAN AND BRITISH OVERSEAS SCHOOLS

Teaching positions at these schools require you to have full teaching credentials. Although most teachers are hired locally, there are several U.S.-based agencies that place teachers in overseas positions.

International Educators Cooperative

212 Alcott Road

East Falmouth, MA 022536 Tel & Fax: (508) 540-8173 E-mail: loufuciec@aol.com

Ohio State University Educational Careers Center 110 Arps Hall 1945 North High Street Columbus, OH 43210-1172 SSC#19

Tel: (614) 292-2741 http://www.osu.edu/ **International Schools Services**

15 Roszel Road P.O. Box 5910 Princeton, NJ 08543

Tel: (609) 452-0990 E-mail: iss@iss.edu http://www.iss.edu

Overseas Placement Service For Educators

University of Northern Iowa

242 Gilchrist Hall

Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0390

Tel: (319) 273-2083

Email: overseas.placement@uni.edu

http://www.uni.edu/placement/overseas/

BILINGUAL SCHOOLS

The French school system includes schools that teach classes in both French and English. Some of these schools have special sections for American, British, and other foreign students who have recently

arrived in France. While many of these schools are considered to be private, some are subsidized by the government. A list of French schools offering bilingual education follows.

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

The American School of Paris

41, rue Pasteur 92210 Saint Cloud Tel: (01) 41 12 82 82 http://www.asparis.org/

The Bilingual Montessori School 65, quai d'Orsay Tel: (01) 46 22 40 20

Tel: (01) 45 55 13 27 23, avenue George V Tel: (01) 47 20 28 10

http://www.montessori-paris.com/

Ecole Active Bilingue 16, rue Marguerite

75017 Paris

Tel: (01)46 22 40 20 6, avenue Van Dyck

75008 Paris

Tel: (01) 46 22 14 24 http://www.eab.fr/

Ecole Active Bilingue Jeannine Manuel

70, rue du Théâtre

75015 Paris

Tel: (01) 44 37 00 08 15, rue Edgar-Faure

75015 Paris

Tel: (01) 47 34 27 72 http://www.eabjm.com/

British School of Paris 38, quai de l'Ecluse 78290 Croisy-sur- Seine

Tel: (01) 34 80 45 94

https://www.britishschool.fr/

Lycée-Collège International des

Pontonniers

1, rue des Pontonniers

67081 Strasbourg Cedex

Institut de la Tour 86, rue de la Tour 75016 Paris

Tel: (01) 45 04 73 35

http://www.institutdelatour.com/

Lycée International Stendhal

1, rue Raoul-Blanchard

38000 Grenoble

Tel: (04) 76 54 83 83

Eurecole

5, rue de Lubeck 75016 Paris

Tel: (01) 40 70 12 81

http://www.eurecole.com/

International School of Paris

6, rue Beethoven

75006 Paris

Tel: (01) 42 24 09 54 http://www.isparis.edu/

Marymount International

72, boulevard de la Saussaye 92200 Neuilly-sur-Seine

Tel: (01) 46 24 10 51

http://www.marymount.fr/

Cité Internationale de Lyon

2, place de Momtréal 69006 Lyon Cedex

Tél: (04) 78 69 60 06

http://www.cite-internationale-lyon.fr/

Ecole Active Bilingue Jeanine Manuel

418 bis, rue Albert-Bailly 59700 Maec-en-Baroeul Tel: (03)20 65 90 50

http://www.eabjm.com/

KINDERGARTEN AND NURSERY SCHOOLS

Fondation Croix Saint Simon 3, rue Oudinot

75016 Paris

Tél: (01) 43 06 11 16

United Nations Nursery School

40, rue Pierre-Guérin

75016 Paris

Tel: (01) 45 27 20 24

The American Kindergarten

3 bis, rue Emile-Duclaux Mailing address:

35, avenue de Ségur

7507 Paris

Tél: (01) 42 19 02 14

Rencontres et Echanges 84, rue de la Folie-Méricourt

75011 Paris

Tel (01) 53 36 81 10

La Petite Ecole Bilingue

17, rue Cardinet

75017 Paris

Tel: (01) 43 80 25 34 9, rue Verniquet

75017 Paris

Les Petits Dragons 2, rue Jacquemont

75017 Paris

Tel: (01) 42 28 56 17

ENGLISH ASSISTANTSHIP

The French Ministry of Education and the Cultural Services at the Embassy of France sponsor this program wherein Anglophones are afforded the opportunity to live and work as English assistants in a French primary or secondary schools for up to nine months. Programs are also available in the DOM-TOM (Départements d'outre-mer) such as Guadeloupe and French Guiana.

Contact:

French Embassy 4101 Reservoir Rd NW Washington D.C. 20007

http://highereducation.frenchculture.org/teach-in-france

LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

Some language schools are for children, others are for adults, and yet others cater to specific types of language skills as technical English or business English. For listings of language schools consult the FUSAC (France-USA Contact) at www.fusac.fr.

PRIVATE STUDENTS

Usually students will come to you with specific needs and you will have to adapt your curriculum to them. There are many places where you can advertise: you can place classified ads in newspapers, there are bulletin boards at many schools and universities, and many large businesses have corporate newsletters.

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteer organizations will train you and then place you in a teaching position in France. Volunteers are provided with a room and board. Many of these programs can be found in the magazine Transition Abroad: http://www.transitionsabroad.com.