

#### ACCOMMODATION FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

## **On-campus accommodation**

It is reassuring to make housing arrangements before leaving for France. Therefore a certain number of rooms are reserved for students participating in exchange programs by the CROUS (the regional student service agency): <a href="www.crous-lille.fr">www.crous-lille.fr</a>

As exchange students, you will not have to apply directly to the CROUS.

The international office of Lille 1 University has signed an agreement with the CROUS for a limited number of rooms on the halls of residences on campus for the students coming from our partner institutions within an exchange program.

We strongly recommend you to apply for this type of room as soon as possible because it is difficult to find an accommodation in Lille on arrival at the beginning of each semester.

If you would like to apply for accommodation as exchange student to Polytech Lille, please fill in the application form for accommodation and the regulations form and send them completed and signed to Ms. Fabienne Dernoncourt – E-mail address: <a href="fabienne.dernoncourt@u-niv-lille1.fr">fabienne.dernoncourt@u-niv-lille1.fr</a>

Deadline for accommodation application for an arrival in September (Autumn Semester): June 1<sup>st</sup>

Deadline for accommodation application for an arrival in February (Spring Semester): November 15<sup>th</sup>

Please do not wait to receive the official acceptance letter from Polytech Lille to apply for the accommodation.

Halls of residence are located on the university campus, close to the university restaurants and to the underground (metro) and close to Polytech Lille which is very convenient. Any reservation is firm and involves a commitment for the duration of the stay.

There are two types of rooms:

- Rehabilitated rooms (chambres réhabilitées) with a shared kitchenette in the corridor, individual toilets and bathroom): Rent per month: € 250 (insurance accommodation and Internet included).
- At the arrival at the hall of residence, a deposit of € 238.10 should be paid at the reception office of the residence.

After the signature of the rental agreement within 2 days after the arrival, the rent of the first and last months should be paid .

- Renovated rooms (chambres rénovées) with an individual kitchenette, shared toilets and a bathroom in the corridor. : Rent per month : : € 220 (insurance accommodation and Internet included).
  - At the arrival at the hall of residence, a deposit of € 197.40 should be paid at the reception office of the residence.
- After the signature of the rental agreement within 2 days after the arrival, the rent of the first and last months should be paid.

Rooms in halls of residence have a surface of 9 m², with a single bed, a washbasin, a fitted cupboard, a work table, a fridge and two hot plates (available in a "Chambre rénovée"), a plug for TV reception and a plug for telephone connection. Sheets and blankets can be rented. Kitchen utensils are not provided.

The insurance included in the rent covers fire and water damage as well as civil liability: property damage or personal injury caused to others but not theft. The hall of residence accepts no liability for loss or damage to resident's personal effects. Insurance for personal goods is also recommended. The CROUS administration and Lille 1 University decline any responsibility in case of theft.

In case the student wants to leave the room earlier, he will have to inform Ms. Dernoncourt one month in advance. Otherwise a one-month rent will be charged.

## Rent payment:

The rent must be paid before between the  $1^{st}$  and  $10^{th}$  of each month at the accountancy office of Lille 1 University.

**Return of the deposit**: Make an appointment with the secretary of the residence in order to make an inventory of fixtures the day before your departure. The deposit will be refunded to you (by bank transfer on your French account) upon proof from the caretaker that no damage has been declared, and if payments have been regular. The room has also to be clean otherwise the cleaning fees will be retained.

#### **Private accommodation**

Searching for a private housing from outside the country can be difficult. You won't be able to visit properties and make fully informed decisions. It may also be difficult, from a distance, to persuade a property owner to let you sign a rental contract or convince him that you have someone who will guarantee payment of your rent. Students must have a guarantor living in France or in another European country. If you do not have a guarantor, you may pay a year's rent in advance.

**Youth Hostel:** If you want to live in a shared flat in town and if you haven't find your flat yet, it will be possible to stay in a youth hostel during your search if you book it in advance.

There are two youth hostels in Lille:

The "Hostel Gastama"

for more information : <a href="www.gastama.com">www.gastama.com</a> Address : 109, rue de Saint André- 59 000 Lille

Tel: +33 3 20 06 06 80

E-mail: contact@gastama.com

The « Auberge de Jeunesse de Lille »

for more information: www.hifrance.org/auberge-de-jeunesse/lille.html

12, rue Malpart 59 000 Lille E-mail : lille@fuaj.org Tel : + 33 3 20 57 08 94

### Share house

If you choose to share a flat with 2 or 3 students in town, you will be quite far from the school but closer to the city center. The rent will be often more expensive than on the campus. You will also have to pay a local tax called "taxe d'habitation" (which is not the case in a public hall of residence).

Useful websites : <u>www.francecorentstudents.com, www.seloger.com</u>, <u>www.franceforstudents.com</u>, <u>www.colocat-r.com</u>, <u>www.logementetudiant.fr</u>

www.leboncoin.fr, www.lavoiximmo.com, www.paruvendu.fr

www.annoncesjaunes.fr/immobilier/, www.colocation.fr

The CRIJ (Regional Center for Youth) is a public organization which can provide an accommodation service, facilitating contacts between the owners of flats and young people. For more information: <a href="https://www.crij-npdc.fr">www.crij-npdc.fr</a>

# Private residences close to Polytech Lille (in Villeneuve d'Ascq

- Studéa Lille1:

www.nexity-studea.com/

- Résidence Grand Stade

www.sergic.com

#### Private residences in Lille

- Résidence Studéa Centre et Studéa, Studéa Gambetta, Studéa Moulin, Studéa Sébastopol, Studéa Montebello : <a href="https://www.nexity-studea.com/">www.nexity-studea.com/</a>

Appart'City (Résidences Appart'city Campus Lille Euralille and Appart'City Campus Lille Grand Palais)

www.appartcitycampus.com

- Icade (Résidences Les Lauréades de Lille-Lambret, Les Lauréades de Lille-Flandres et Le Jardin des Sciences de Lille) www.icade-immbolier.com

- Les Estudines (Résidences Les Estudines d'Artois, Les Estudines Flandre-Gambetta et Les Estudines Lille-Europe)
<a href="https://www.estudines.com">www.estudines.com</a>

Another useful website to look for private student accommodation : www.adele.org

Vous pouvez également vous rendre sur le site de recherche de logement étudiant Adele, qui
vous donnera une liste plus exhaustive des résidences étudiantes.

www.adele.org