



Being an exchange student at the CNSMDL

[Incoming student guide 2020](#)

Come and study at the CNSMD de Lyon

The International Office edited a **guide for international incoming students** (see *downloads* at the bottom of this page) with information and advice for your arrival and stay in Lyon:

- *"Before your arrival"*: administrative issues regarding immigration, health and housing
- *"Living in the city"*: transportation in and outside Lyon
- *"The CNSMDL"*: student life at the CNSMDL
- *"Enjoying Lyon"*: helpful tips for students

Status of the exchange student at the CNSMD de Lyon

There are 3 different kinds of status for students who come study at the CNSMD de Lyon within the frame of an exchange programme:

- Exchange students coming within the frame of the **Erasmus+ programme** or the **Swiss European Mobility programme** ;
- Exchange students registered in a partner institution which has signed a **bilateral agreement** with the Lyon CNSMD (see the [list of our partner institutions](#)) ;
- Temporary exchange students **"free mover"** : the CNSMD de Lyon can accept the application of an exchange student registered in an institution which has not signed a bilateral agreement with the CNSMD de Lyon. However, this decision has to be taken by the concerned educational staff. Please note that the stay of a *"free mover"* student cannot exceed one semester.

Applications

For the 2 first groups of students (**Erasmus+ or Swiss Erasmus programme or bilateral agreement**): please note that applications sent by the students themselves will automatically be rejected. Only applications sent by the International Relations Coordinator of the home institution will be considered.

Students wishing to undertake a temporary study period at the CNSMD de Lyon under the **"free mover" status** first have to contact the International Relations Office of the Lyon CNSMD. Please, click [here](#) to find contact details.

Teaching

All the courses offered in our institution are available to exchange students, either at



Bachelor, Master or Doctorate level. In some cases, we can arrange specific courses to suit the expected learning programme of the student. Regarding the main subject, exchange students follow the same course than regular students. Aside from the main discipline, exchange students can follow compulsory or optional subsidiary subjects, and participate in other educational activities.

The list of courses available at the CNSMD de Lyon is accessible under the heading "**programs**" on our website.

French language courses

The CNSMD de Lyon now offers weekly French courses for non-French speaking students who study at the CNSMDL as exchange or regular students. Courses last one hour and a half and are free for students who take a French test upon arrival to evaluate their level and divide them between groups from A1 to C1 level.

Registration, insurance and regulations

Exchange students at the CNSMD de Lyon must be **registered in their home institution** and **pay the tuition fees at their home institution**.

In order for exchange students to obtain their student card from the CNSMD de Lyon, they will be required to show their ID card, their student card from their home institution, their [European Health Insurance Card](#), as well as the proof that they subscribed a civil liability insurance contract.

Rights and obligations of exchange students at the CNSMD de Lyon are the same than those applying to regular students. Exchange students must respect the all the regulations regarding the discipline and the functioning of the institution.

Get involved in the student life of the CNSMD de Lyon

There are many events and activities taking place all throughout the year at the CNSMD de Lyon.

Please click [here](#) to access the academic calendar of the CNSMD de Lyon.

Master-classes

All throughout the year, students can attend several master-classes. Some of them are more especially linked to the practice of an instrument, others such as improvisation or music culture seminars open their doors to all students. Some master-classes are part of the public events agenda and are opened to everyone.

Public events at the CNSMD de Lyon



Each year, the CNSMD de Lyon offers about **450 public events**. A brochure is released each year, but you can also find all the information you need on our website under the heading "**public events**".

Students get free entrance to all the events organised by the CNSMD de Lyon. Should students wish to book a seat, they should get in touch with the communication office to get free tickets in advance.

Nadia Boulanger Media resources center

The resources centre serves the needs of **music teaching** and **research** and **is accessible to everyone**. However, before borrowing documents users must first register at the media resources centre. **For CNSMD students, the user's card is issued free of charge** on presentation of student's card and identity photograph.

The resources centre owns nearly **100,000 documents** which it monitors with a database catalogue that can be consulted online.

For more information, you can access the [webpage of the Media Resources Center](#) where you will find an online portal.

Nouvelle Association des Etudiants du Conservatoire (N.A.E.C.)

Exchange students at the CNSMD de Lyon can join the student association N.A.E.C., which welcomes new students and exchange students, organises workshops, sport activities, concerts, evenings out, etc. Students are asked to pay a **€5 fee** for their registration for the whole academic year.

For further information about the N.A.E.C.: check their [Facebook page](#)

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Accommodation

Each year, the International Relations Office team sends a list of people to contact for a **private housing** to each incoming student (this list includes the contact details of some CNSMDL outgoing students, who will be abroad at the time when incoming students will be in Lyon).

The CNSMD de Lyon has its own **student residence** with 60 beds. Each year, 4 places are reserved for exchange students. For further information about the residence, please click [here](#).

Do not hesitate to contact the Student Association (NAEC), whose members can help incoming students to find an accommodation in Lyon : naec@cnsmd-lyon.fr

Foreign students can also apply to a **financial support from the French State for their accommodation in France** via the [CAF website](#).



Campus France



Campus France promotes the French higher education system and helps international students to best organise their arrival and study period in France. On the [Campus France website](https://www.campusfrance.org),

- The "*studying*" tab provides useful information on the French education system and on the procedure to obtain scholarships to come and study in France;
- The "*getting organised*" tab gives helpful information on immigration procedures, housing, health insurance and the French health system, and explains how to open a bank account in France;
- The "*living in France*" tab helps you find information on the French way of living.

COMING TO LYON



You can find all the information you need about the city of Lyon on the [ONLYLYON](https://www.onlylyon.com) website. You should find some information that will help at your arrival.

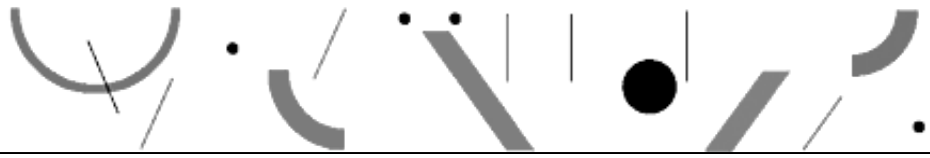
Exchange students share their experience

Kim Lisa Kroehnert, student from the Musikhochschule of Lübeck (Germany), spent one year in Lyon in 2017-2018 within the frame of the Erasmus+ mobility programme. She studied the piano with Sébastien Vichard and Svetlana Eganian at the CNSMD de Lyon.

Together with fellow exchange students, Kim Lisa made a video, and she explains why:

"We decided to make this video to remember this unique experience and these great people, but also to say thank to our Erasmus coordinators Isabelle Replumaz and Chiara Pellegrino, who helped us in the most difficult situations. We tried to capture the beauty of the city and the enjoyment we had during this year. We hope that many others students will want to spend a year at the CNSMD of Lyon after watching our little video".

Kim Lisa Kroehnert



The following students participated in the video making: Sarah Devoyon, Katarzyna Goliat, Clara Hyder, Saeyoung Kim, Kim Lisa Kroehnert, Daphne Meinhold, Juan Felipe Naranko, Louis Ponseele, Jacqueline Preys, Romina S. Romay, Felix Stachelhaus, Adiran Städeli, Marina Sturm, Alessia Travaglini, Veronica Tollenaar, Dominique de Vlaming, Riccarda G et Saskia N.

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