

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST

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The Université Catholique de l'Ouest is 140 years old: originally a medieval university founded in 1373, it was later reopened in 1875 and has a current student population of 9,000.

The campus is situated in downtown Angers, a five-minute walk from station and the nearest bus stops; it lies just minutes away from the main shopping area, restaurants, gardens, banks and administrative offices. The university campus boasts an unusual architectural blend of old and contemporary buildings, standing in a 5-hectare park.



Founded in 1875, the Université Catholique de l'Ouest is one of the oldest universities in Western France and is one of the important actors in Higher Education and research today.

A multidisciplinary university with a worldview, it offers more than a hundred programs in 5 faculties:

- Education
- Humanities
- Sciences
- Human and Social Sciences
- Theology and Religious Sciences



THE UNIVERSITY IN FIGURES

- 9,000 students including 1,700 foreign students and teachers who come to Angers each year to study.
- 187 full-time faculty and 1,500 professionals providing lectures as experts.
- 12 foreign languages taught.
- 10 multimedia language laboratories.
- 10 research laboratories.
- 170 partner universities around the world.
- 3 university libraries comprising some 200,000 books.
- 1 audiovisual centre, multimedia rooms, WIFI access.
- 17 study areas.



OUR VALUES

- French national degrees.
- Guaranteed a personalized follow-up, small classes with individual supervision.
- High graduation rate: graduation rate for the bachelor three years of 67% (Compared to public universities 27%).
- High rate of work placements.
- 170 partner universities around the world: credit transfers and validation of grades.
- Spiritual life: diverse activities offered by Catholic Campus Ministry.
- Student accommodation service: wide choice of bed-sits, home-stay or family accommodation, halls of residence or flats.
- 2 university restaurants within walking distance, food and refreshments available on campus.
- Cultural activities and sports: drama society, international choir, film club as well as table-tennis, volleyball, basketball and more.



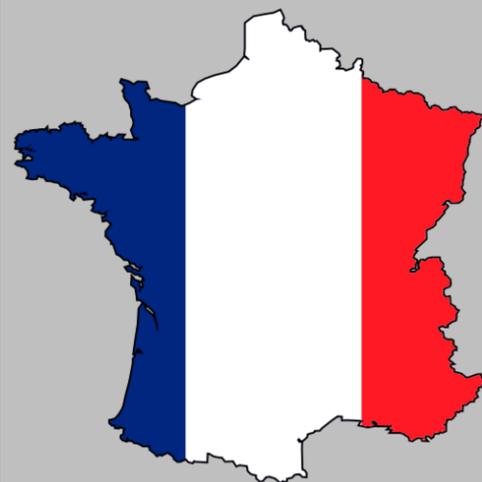
FRANCE - FOUNDER MEMBER OF EUROPE

Studying in France gives you the time to explore a unique cultural and historical heritage. Over the years France has acquired a high reputation for its art of living, traditionally consisting of fine food, fashion and perfumes. Nowadays it prides itself on its state-of-the-art science and management techniques.

France is the world's fifth-largest economy, thanks to the quality of its educational system and the national capacity for research and innovation.

France is a safe, reassuring country that welcomes visitors and offers an exceptionally high level of welfare protection.

Students enjoy lower prices and special assistance in many aspects of daily life—advantages that can markedly improve their quality of life.



ANGERS - A DYNAMIC CITY

Angers is one of the most delightful cities in France, located in northwest of France. It lies in the heart of the Loire Valley, a mere hour and half from Paris with 15 high-speed connections daily (TGV).

This university town offers a great diversity of cultural activities. Angers city is also a centre for innovation and advanced technology. **33,000 students** have chosen Angers for the diversity of its teaching as well as its quality of life.

The city of Angers figured prominently in two recent newspapers devoted to ranking cities: first ranking in the “**highest quality of life**” cities (ranked by Express magazine, October 2014) and the second “**Large student cities**” (by Student magazine, September 2014).

Angers compared to Paris

Angers is a student-city, there is everything a student would need, and in good prices.

	Angers	Paris
Average student monthly budget	600 – 800 €/ month	1000 €/ month
Student housing	280 – 500 €/ month	600 – 800 €/ month
Public transportation	30 €/ month	60 €/ month
City bike	Free (up to 1 year)	1 €/ day



USEFUL INFORMATION

Clubs and associations

At UCO, the campus life is a great asset. Parties, cinema and debates, sports (50 different sports available), music, theater, intercultural evenings, humanitarian projects... plenty of opportunities to get involved, be immersed in the French culture, and have fun.

Housing

You can choose:

- Student residence (foyer), with half pension or full pension.
- Homestay (with or without meals).

Meals

On the UCO campus, a cafeteria is at your disposal. During the academic year, you also have access to the university restaurant situated in town center (lunch and dinner, € 3.20 per meal).

Health & accessibility

The UCO campus is equipped with an infirmary, counselling services and services for students with disabilities.

The campus is accessible to students with disabilities.

Admission requirement

- Program given in French:
 - DELF: level C1 for language training,
 - Level B2 for all other programs or Level 4 TCF (except for French-speaking students).
- Program given in English (Business and Economics): TOEFL score of 79 or higher / IELTS score of 6.0 or higher.

Visa

As a rule, unless you are exempt, you are required to have a visa to study in France.

It must be applied for from the relevant French embassy or consulate in the applicant's country of residence.

For more information, visit: www.campusfrance.org or website of French embassy in applicant's country.

Insurances

Health insurance is compulsory in France. Registration with the French health insurance and its payment (about 208 €) is to be done upon your arrival at the university in France.



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