

Access to French language according to status (Le droit à la langue selon le statut)

Depending on your situation regarding the administration, learning French might be mandatory, free or not or even wage-earning. Anyway, it is a key element for a good integration.

The right of language learning for foreigners called « *primo-arrivants* » (newly arrived)

The Primo-arrivant are people who have been legally in France for less than 2 years.

Newly-arrived people who signed the *Contrat d'accueil et d'intégration -CAI-* (Welcoming and Integration Contract) can receive free language course if their level required so. This way, they have the possibility to attend up to 400 hours of French learning classes. On the results of a prior test depend the number of courses to attend ; these courses are then mandatory and the immigrants can take the DILF test that stands for *Diplôme Initial de Langue Française* (Initial Diploma for French Language). Requirements for this test are mainly based on oral skills (understand and speak French).

- ▲ **The right of language learning for foreigners who have been living for more than 2 years on French soil (regardless of their language skills) and signatories to the CAI which language skills exceed the DILF level.**

If they are registered to Pôle Emploi and seeking for a job, they can be redirected to language courses called « non CAI ». These wage-earning training courses combine language classes with employment seeking techniques among others (intensive training courses which means from 20 to 35 hours a week)

If they are not seeking an occupation for the time being, they can get in touch with recreational centre in their neighbourhood in order to register to the French learning programme (2 classes a week) called *dispositif d'apprentissage du français*.

- ▲ **Possibilities to learn French for foreigners whose naturalization application was postponed due to low language skills.**

It is strongly recommended to contact with approved organisations to attend a language training course (See articles on your right about organisations providing training courses.)

▲ **Possibilities to learn French for illegal migrants.**

They can get in touch with associations or other organisations dealing with foreigner integration in each neighborhood. For more information contact with the MJC of Palente that is coordinating all the actions.(24 rue des Roses – telephone number : 03 81 80 41 80)

Main training centres (Les principaux organismes de formation)

In order to have the possibility to attend training courses provided by the main training centres without being charged, one must have been redirected by Pôle Emploi, OFII, Mission locale or other official bodies.

FRATE Formation Conseil

83, rue de Dole – 25000 Besançon Tél : 03 81 82 21 75

The FRATE provides literacy tuition and *FLE Français Langues Etrangères* (French as Foreign Language) courses. They organise linguistic training courses in the framework of the CAI and within the non-CAI programme. In both cases, people are redirected by the OFII.

POINFORE

15, impasse des St Martin – 25000 Besançon Tél : 03 81 51 21 83

Poinfore is only open to advanced FLE-related learners. Before starting the training sessions, an exam is taken to assess French language skills.

2 options are offered: 150 hours training in French language and FLE training aiming at professional career. The learners are usually redirected by Pôle Emploi or the Mission Locale.

INFA

55, rue des Cras – 25000 Besançon. Tél : 03 81 88 23 61 (l'INFA head office : 03 84 82 66 97)

FLE courses for non-beginners thanks to individual teaching workshops. The INFA provides refresher courses focused on writing skills.

A professional-oriented training is offered to the same group of people who can already read French. These people are redirected by Pôle Emploi or the Mission Locale.

IFPA

13, rue Xavier Marmier – 25000 Besançon. Tél 03 81 81 41 60

It is refresher courses for non-beginners and people registered to Pôle Emploi,.

CRIF

4, rue des Granges. Tél 03 81 81 35 37

It provides courses and refresher classes in French. The Crif is an IFPA partner.

Anyone willing to access this type of training, needs a Pôle Emploi order to do so.

GRETA

19, avenue de l'Observatoire. Tél : 03 81 88 25 94

The GRETA does not provide any literacy tuition or FLE courses. However refresher courses in French are offered for French and foreigners, non beginners.

A test is taken at the beginning of the training courses.

Financial support can be made by Pole Emploi, as appropriate.

Other training centres **(Les autres organismes de formation)**

They offer training courses with charge to individuals, companies' employees and students.

FOREPRO (INLINGUA)

6, rue Gabriel Plançon – 25000 Besançon. Tel : 08 00 00 40 43

Forepro provides FLE classes at different levels.

2 options are available: individual or group classes.

Individual training option includes defining along with each client the courses' number and content depending on needs and the prior exam's results. The courses can start immediately. The prices are between 55 € and 99 € per hour.

For group training, the objectives are set up with the attendees as well. At least 3 people are necessary. The training cost is 365 € per capita.

SIFCO (CCI du Doubs = Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Doubs department)

41, avenue Villarceau – 25000 Besançon. Tel : 03 81 25 26 06

SIFCO organise FLE training sessions for groups (open to any company's employees). Beneficiaries must prove by taking a exam they have at least an A1 level in Français Langue Etrangère (French as Foreign Language). Price: 915 €/ 5 days.

It is also possible to attend individual courses. An estimate and programme are established according to the attendee's level and objectives.

CLA (*Centre de Linguistique appliquée* = Applied Linguistics centre)

6, rue Gabriel Plançon – 25000 Besançon. Tel : 03 81 66 52 00

Many options available: intensive training, semi-intensive courses, « language, culture and society » training, university equivalences, authentication and diplomas.

At any level, for everybody, no more than 16 years old. Placement exam is taken at the beginning. Prices are between 785 and 1145 € for courses and between 100 and 200 € for authentications and diplomas.

Community centres and associations (Les maisons de quartier et associations)

Besançon city gives financial support to a programme aiming at teaching French language to the migrant population living in the area. In the 9 following neighbourhoods, linguistics training courses are organised. The training takes place twice a week and is usually free for the community centre members. The courses are divided into several levels.

To subscribe, you need to get in touch with the following organisations.

Maison de quartier ≈ community centres

Comité de quartier ≈ Neighbourhood association

MJC : Maison de la jeunesse et de la culture ≈ Recreational centres

Planoise :

- Maison de quartier de Planoise (Planoise community centre)

Nelson Mandela Centre – 13 avenue Ile de France. Tel : 03 81 87 81 20

- PARI Association – 5 avenue de bourgogne. Tel : 03 81 51 43 07

Palente :

MJC de Palente – 24 rue des Roses. Tel : 03 81 80 41 80

Clairs Soleils

MJC des Clairs-Soleils. Tel : 03 81 50 69 93

Chaprais / Viotte

ASEP – 22 rue Résal. Tel : 09 81 80 66 83

Battant – Centre Ville

- Structure d'animation des Bains-Douches – 1 rue de l'école. Tel : 03 81 41 57 58

- Croix Rouge – 123 Grande rue. Tel : 03 81 50 92 04

Montrapon / Fontaine-Ecu

Maison de quartier de Montrapon – 1 place de Coubertin. Tel : 03 81 87 82 80

Saint Claude

Comité de quartier de St Claude. 5 rue Jean Wyrsh. Tel : 03 81 50 62 25

La Grette

- AGIR abcd Association – 31 bis rue Brûlard. Tel : 03 81 40 00 43

- Maison de quartier de la Grette – 31 bis rue Brûlard. Tel : 03 81 87 82 40

Saint Ferjeux

Comité de quartier de Rosemont - Saint Ferjeux – 1 rue Ducat. Tel : 03 81 52 42 52