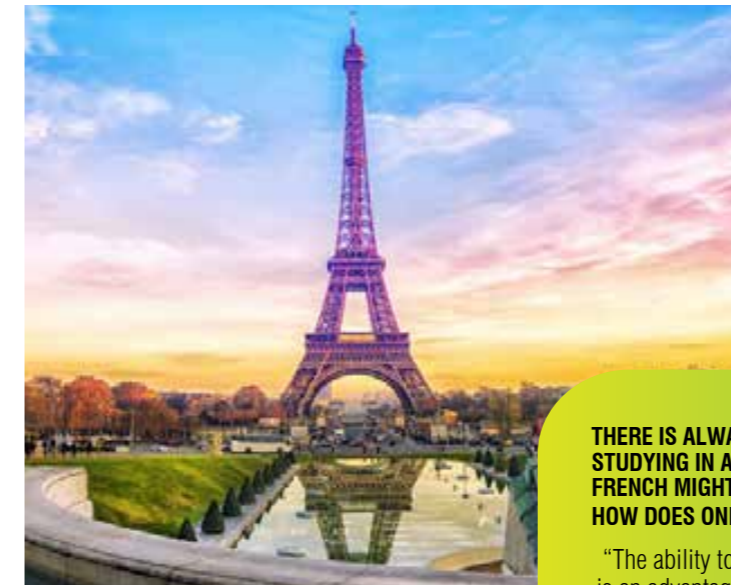


# WHY STUDY IN FRANCE



## EXPERT VIEW

### 'French Language is a professional value addition for international companies'

We spoke to Kader Mechab, Head of International Tenders Department, SFERE on the advantages of learning French and his advice for students wanting to study in France.

#### THERE IS ALWAYS AN APPREHENSION THAT STUDYING IN A LANGUAGE SUCH AS FRENCH MIGHT IMPACT EMPLOYABILITY? HOW DOES ONE ASSUAGE THESE FEARS?

"The ability to speak French and English is an advantage on the international job market. A knowledge of French opens the doors of French companies in France and other French-speaking parts of the world. As one of the world's largest economies and a leading destination for foreign investment, France is a key economic partner."

#### WHAT WOULD YOUR ADVICE BE TO STUDENTS CONSIDERING COURSES THAT WILL BE TAUGHT IN FRENCH?

"Speaking French opens up opportunities to study at renowned French universities and business schools, ranked among the top higher education institutions in Europe and the world. French is also an analytical language that structures thought and develops critical thinking, which is a valuable skill for discussions and negotiations. Most of the best curriculum in French universities, business schools, schools of engineering are taught in French language".

## STUDENT VIEW

#### WHAT FACTORS DID YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHEN APPLYING FOR THE COURSE? AND HOW DID LANGUAGE FIGURE IN THE EQUATION?

**Saud Al-Nadhiri:** "I took many factors in consideration when applying for a course in France such as the level of education in France, which is really high and also how the student life in general will be. I believe that students in France are appreciated a lot, whether it is with the different student events, or the offers that the students can get such as discounts on transport and in restaurants. The transportation system in France is very accessible allowing ease of travel from one city to another or even to a border country."

Also, I really wanted to study the French language as I believe that a new language cannot give you anything but the benefits. I am currently studying logistics and transport management, so a new language can always serve me in my professional future, because it will consist of travelling and dealing with people from different countries and backgrounds."

**Oman Alyahyai:** "The factors I considered when applying to the course in France were whether France had good education and universities (which it does) and if living there as a student was going to be practical (for example: Could I commute to my university from my accommodation and if there was easy access to transport such as buses or trams. France has a really good transportation system, which was a factor I looked at."

*"I always wanted to learn French and had started doing so in middle school but never got to continue through high school so studying in France allowed me to pursue it again. I intend become a journalist and believe that having knowledge of more than one language is important for the profession."*



**Oman Alyahyai,**  
student on a  
scholarship in France

#### WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE TO STUDENTS, WHO ARE MAKING HIGHER EDUCATION CHOICE AND ARE WORRIED WHETHER LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE MIGHT IMPACT FUTURE EMPLOYABILITY?

**Oman Alyahyai:** "Having more than one language in your resume will always be a plus. In today's world, employers look for people who are capable of speaking several languages as it is a factor that could help in any company's international dealings. Learning a new language might be hard, but once it's done, it is a really good feeling and will help with a lot of things in everyday life."

*"Jobs of the future will need new skills and learning a new language is one of those essential skills. It will be a great plus for your CV and will also have a positive overall impact on you."*



**Saud Al-Nadhiri,**  
scholarship  
student studying  
in France

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