

700 €

Including fees, activities, housing, breakfast and lunch. Travel costs not included

6 ECTS credits
(3 American credits)

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Bridging art and inclusion

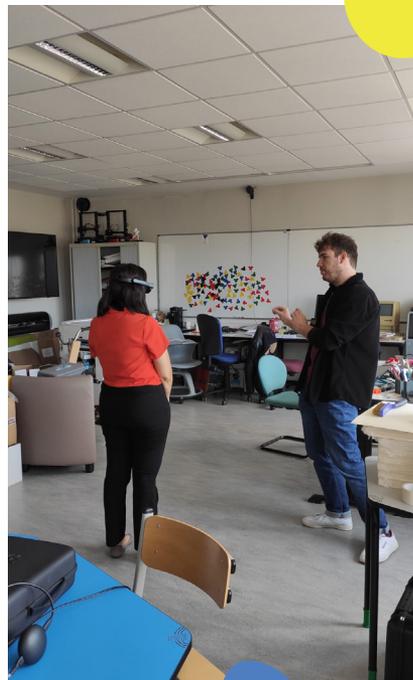
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WELCOME BOOKLET



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In this two-week summer program in Lorraine, France, focusing on art and inclusion, participants will attempt to answer the question: "How can museums be made more inclusive". Based in Nancy at our very own fab lab, the "Charly Lab", you will work in teams to design a game playable inside a museum and accessible to all using 3D scanning and printing technologies, laser cutting, augmented and virtual realities. As well as learning to master these technologies, you will discover, through the bootcamp's excursions, the history and culture of the Lorraine region, the renowned "Ecole de Nancy" art movement, as well as innovative projects led by the Université de Lorraine and local associations, all of which will contribute to your final project.

Open to all students and no special prior knowledge is required.



LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will gain knowledge of the history of the Lorraine region, and particularly of the Ecole de Nancy art movement
- Students will complete the program with an understanding of the issues facing people with disabilities in accessing art and culture
- Students will be introduced to virtual reality and 3D printing technologies
- One session will be dedicated to learning some survival French
- You'll get 6 ECTS European Credits (3 American crédits)



THE PROJECT

According to the Institut Pasteur, nearly 75 million people around the world live with autism. If we consider all forms of neurodivergent disorders, that represents around 15 to 20 percent of the world's population.

Considering the number of people who are affected by this, it is society's responsibility to facilitate access to public resources and culture. In 2021, the non-profit organisation FRAME, for French American Museum Exchange, published a guide to help people with autism access museums. Museums in the city of Nancy are now part of FRAME and are working more than ever to guarantee access to art for everyone.

HOW CAN MUSEUMS BE MADE MORE ACCESSIBLE ?

1

During the working sessions in the **Charly Lab**, one of several fab labs in Nancy, you will discover the « **Ecole de Nancy** » school of art. This style, developed at the beginning of the 20th century, inspired many artists, architects, filmmakers, and even video games. The main goal of these sessions is to prototype a **physical game for people with disabilities**. Working in teams, you will create a game playable inside a museum. The game created will be a kind of escape game where the players solve puzzles and mechanics while going back and forth from one piece of art to another.

2

You will learn to use all sorts of technologies to build your game: **3D scanning and printing technologies, laser cutting, augmented and virtual realities**, and many more. Each session will be about how to materialise a concept you have in mind, from the idea to the physical object in your hand. You will be helped by **French students** and the **Charly Lab personnel** to help you digitally and physically build around your game mechanics. From crafting a **wooden box** to **3D printing miniature objects**, while another team prints cards and a board game, you will have access to multiple tools to **iterate, try and test** in an innovative **open space**.

To help you connect with your game's **target audience**, you'll attend a **conference by an expert in the field**, taking place in another **fab lab inside a church**, a space dedicated to creating **engaging experiences for people with intellectual disability**. You will also meet some of the **beta testers** of your game there.





NANCY, THE PLACE TO BE



PLACE STANISLAS

You know France has a rich and fascinating history! Nancy is definitely part of it! You'll discover Place Stanislas which was ranked by the famous tourist guide Lonely Planet among the ten best squares to visit in the world. It was built in the late 18th century by Stanislas Leszczyński, whose statue stands in the middle, in honour of King Louis XV, his son-in-law. It's also a Unesco World Heritage Site. For sure you'll enjoy taking a break and soaking up the atmosphere of Nancy at one of the terrace cafés. The square is home to an opulent ensemble of pale-stone buildings, including the [hôtel de ville](#) (city hall) and [Opéra National de Lorraine](#), as well as gilded wrought-iron gateways by Jean Lamour and rococo fountains. This place is also home to some famous night clubs. No doubt you'll understand why we are definitely proud of our crowning glory!

ART NOUVEAU

In Nancy you'll also have to discover an amazing architectural patrimony : [the École de Nancy, or the Nancy School](#). It was a group of [Art Nouveau](#) artisans and designers working in Nancy, France between 1890 and 1914. Major figures included the furniture designer [Louis Majorelle](#), ebonist and glass artist [Jacques Grüber](#), the glass and furniture designer [Émile Gallé](#), and the [crystal manufactory of Daum](#). Their work was largely inspired by floral and vegetal forms found in the region. The goal of the group was to produce in series ordinary objects, such as furniture, glassware, and pottery, with fine craftsmanship and in original forms, making art objects available for people's homes.

Part of the city is also medieval.... but let's not reveal everything, you'll have plenty of time to realize Nancy is definitely the place to be!!



STUDENT LIFE

Did you know that Greater Nancy is France's second biggest student city? It is home to some 50,000 students in higher education, and they make up one fifth of the population. Among them, 6,000 are international students.

The layout of the city, the leisure activities and things to do, the atmosphere in the bars and on the café terraces, and the culture and events agenda are all inspired and supported by a creative and active student population. The student calendar features the famous Stan 24 hours, music, cinema and theatre festivals, student nights, the museum night and numerous other excuses to party!

LA FÊTE DE LA MUSIQUE : June 21

The Fête de la Musique in Nancy invites the public to stroll through the city to the rhythms of musicians and artists! Many stages are set up in the streets of Nancy, while amateur artists perform spontaneously here and there, as well as in the city's many bars and restaurants. Passers-by are free to stop and enjoy the music, to discover new musical styles or to stroll through the streets.





CAMP LIFE

ACCOMMODATION

Program fees include accommodation from June 10 to June 22. You will be staying in an individual room in a student residence close to IUT Nancy-Charlemagne and within walking distance of Nancy city centre.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided each day and are also included in the fees.



ACTIVITIES

Cultural and Scenic Excursions

- One-day trip to Metz
- One-day trip to the Vosges Mountains
- Visit to the vineyards of Toul

Social and Interactive Activities

- Culinary tour of Nancy
- Fête de la Musique
- BBQ with French students
- Tree-top adventure park in the beautiful Vosges Mountains
- Project at Charly Lab

VINEYARDS OF TOUL

You know France is well-known for wine! The vineyards are spread nearly all over the country! Our region contributes to this reputation with some great wines made out of Pinot Noir or other local grape varieties. Since 1998, they have benefited from the Protected Designation of Origin "Côtes de Toul" which recognizes the quality of the production. We will have the opportunity to discover this vineyard in the middle of the vines and naturally test the wines! Cheers!



ACCROBRANCHE

What is accrobranche? It is an activity that consists in climbing to the top of trees and going from tree to tree through different obstacles, each more fun than the other. Do not confuse accrobranche with tree-climbing which consists in climbing and progressing in trees like a squirrel or a little monkey!



METZ

Metz, in north-east France, borders Luxembourg, Germany, and Belgium, and is easy to access by road, rail, air and waterway. A creative and sustainable European city, Metz is a great place to live, work and study.

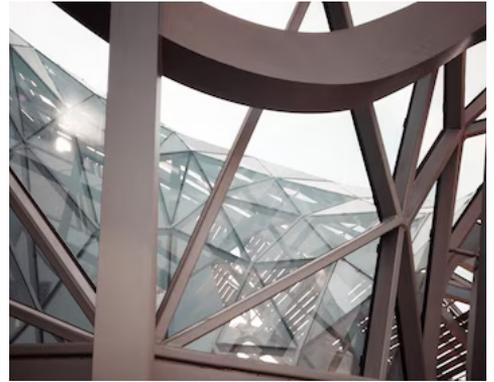
Its combination of lively shopping streets and riverside walks makes Metz ideal for pedestrians, cyclists and those in search of a mix of amusement and relaxation. Family-friendly parks and gardens are part of the city lifestyle, just like the animated terraces, cafés and bars. On the water or beside it, the city's lake and rivers are a favorite with tourists and locals. Solar-powered boat trippers get close to nature and picnickers enjoy the tree-lined banks near the Blue Flag leisure port.

Home of Urban Ecology, there are 52 m² of green space per inhabitant. Nature embellishes its historic neighborhoods and annual ephemeral gardens create stunning displays.



CENTRE POMPIDOU

The Centre Pompidou-Metz is an art center dedicated to modern and contemporary art. Its cultural project is the presentation of temporary exhibitions and the programming of live performances, film screenings and conferences. The Centre Pompidou-Metz is a multidisciplinary venue and, even before its opening, has become the new driving force behind local cultural policy. Designed by Shigeru Ban and Jean de Gastines, the architecture of the Centre Pompidou-Metz has some unusual features.



The large volumes of its great nave and the diversity of the exhibition spaces, alternating between large open spaces and more intimate areas, are conducive to inventiveness and surprises for the visitor. Never static, the exhibition spaces can be modulated to allow original readings of modern and contemporary art.





CULINARY SPECIALITIES IN LORRAINE



BERGAMOTES



PÂTÉ LORRAIN



MADELEINES

Discover Lorraine culinary specialities such as quiche lorraine, bergamotes, madeleines, pâté lorrain, tarte aux myrtilles, baba au rhum etc... Indulge in the rich flavors and traditional recipes that make Lorraine a true delight for food lovers.



BABA AU RHUM



QUICHE LORRAINE



TARTE AUX MYRTILLES





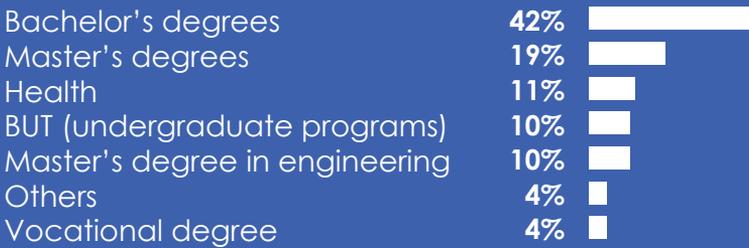
IN A NUTSHELL



Université de Lorraine is located in the north-east of France and is spread over several campuses in towns



PROGRAMS BY ENROLLMENT



60,000 students

over 9,500 international students

over 1,900 PhD students

over 1,000 outgoing mobility students

over 7,000 academic and administrative staff



1ST university in France in terms of entrepreneurship

60 research units

20 joint units



INSERTION RATE after

a vocational degree	89%
a master's degree	87%
a master's degree in engineering	92%
a doctoral degree	88%



GENERAL INFORMATION



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Public transport network app for getting around Nancy (maps, schedules, itinerary)



Everywhere in France (toll free): In case of emergency you can call for assistance by dialling the following numbers:



- 15 SAMU (serious health problems or accident...)
- 18 FIRE BRIGADE (accident, fire...)
- 17 POLICE ou GENDARMERIE (accident, crimes...)
- 112 from a mobile phone

