



UNIVERSITÉ DE TECHNOLOGIE DE BELFORT-MONTBÉLIARD

EXCHANGE STUDENT GUIDE



2026 VERSION



Coming for a semester or two at UTBM is the perfect opportunity to learn in the 7th engineering school of the country, member of the Conférence des Grandes Écoles, at the heart of Europe. Come get training in our fields of excellence : Mechanical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Ergonomics, Energy Engineering, Computer Science, Industrial Systems. Our university has been certified “Bienvenue en France” in 2025, guarantee of our three-stars welcoming and help.

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Websites useful to prepare your arrival:



3 campuses

There are 3 campuses at UTBM: Belfort, Sevenans and Montbéliard.



Belfort campus

Computer Science
Energy Engineering
Rooms: A to I



Download the map



Sevenans campus

Mechanical Engineering
Undergraduate
Industrial Systems
Supply Chain
Rooms: P and T



Download the map



Montbéliard campus

Mechanical Engineering
and Ergonomics
Mechanical Engineering
(apprentices)
Rooms: M



Download the map



The three campuses are well connected by bus

Our courses

We advise you to choose between 4 to 6 UE (30 ECTS).

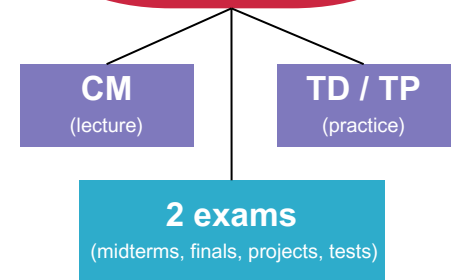
4 to 6
ECTS



1 UE = 1 class

To avoid schedule clashes, we strongly advise you to choose your subjects **in one department only**.

We strongly advise students with a level B2 in French to choose either **only CS classes or TM classes in one block only**.



You are free to add as much **cross-disciplinary courses** as you wish.

You can add a **Project UE**, where you will work on a subject free of choice under the lead of a teacher.

Undergraduate

(TC, preparatory cycle)

Energy Engineering

(FISE E-GE)

Computer Science

(FISE INFO)

Mechanical Engineering and Ergonomics

(FISE MECA ERGO)

Industrial Systems

(FISE GENIE INDUS)

Mechanical Engineering

(FISE MECA)



Cross-disciplinary courses

Technology, Sciences and Society (QC/OM) and languages (EC)



Project UE

(subject free of choice)

CS



TM

fundamental
level

advanced
level, in blocks



UTBM welcomes exchange students **only for studying**. If you want to do an internship in France, you need to ask your home university to sign your internship agreement and to apply for a visa for internship if you are non-european.

Our courses



To facilitate your integration, we offer you an **intensive French training**, followed by classes all along the semester. In small group of students, learn the language and discover the culture! Five levels are available, from real beginner to sitting an international certification exam. Our classes have been certified “Label Qualité FLE” in 2024.

Guide des UE

To discover all of our courses, go on [le guide des UE](#)

Annotations:

- Choose the year and “Engineering for student”:** Points to the 'Année universitaire' dropdown menu.
- Choose your training:** Points to the 'Type de formation' dropdown menu.
- Choose your professional major:** Points to the 'Filière métier' dropdown menu.
- Choose the website language:** Points to the language selection icon in the top right.
- Teaching language:** Points to the 'Langue d'enseignement' section with flags for German, English, Spanish, French, and Italian.
- Level / courses type:** Points to the 'Catégorie' section with options: CS (fundamental), TM (advanced), ST, EC (languages), OM, and QC (social sciences).
- Choose your semester:** Points to the 'Semestre' section with options: Automne and Printemps.
- Code:** Points to the 'UE' column in the table.

UE	Libellé	Langue	Catégorie	Domaines de compétences	Filières métier	Caractéristiques	Automne	Printemps
AHUE1	Congrès industriel	FR					ouverte	
AHUE2	Journée internationale- Erasmus Day	FR					ouverte	
AHUE4	Journée de la Recherche et de l'innovation	FR					ouverte	



Exchange students can register only in FISE or TC courses, not FISA courses

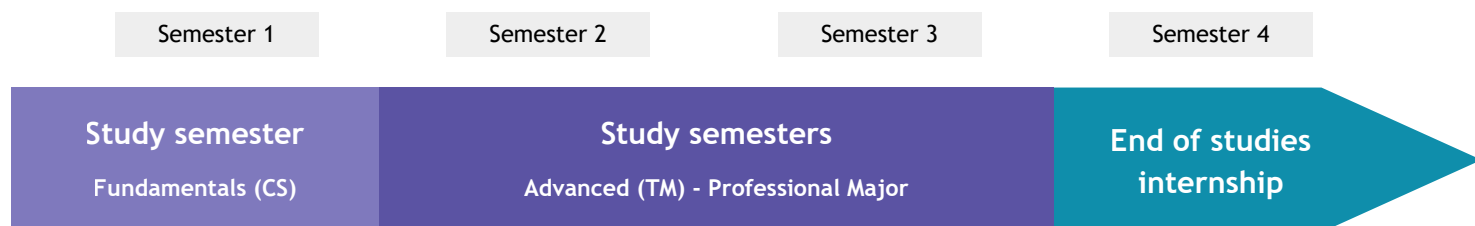


Double Degree



Coming at UTBM on a double degree programme allows you to graduate from both your university and UTBM, and to get a French engineering diploma certified by the Engineering Credentials Commission.

YOUR UTBM COURSE



To apply, follow the same process as for an exchange semester.

LISTE DES UNIVERSITÉS PARTENAIRES

Country	University	UTBM Degree	University Degree
Brazil	Universidade Federal do Parana (UFPR)	Engineering Diploma - Mechanical Engineering	Diploma Engenharia Mecânica
Brazil	Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Parana (UTFPR)	Engineering Diploma - Mechanical Engineering / Energy Engineering	Diploma Engenharia Mecânica / Engenharia Elétrica
Cameroun	Institut Universitaire Catholique Saint Jérôme de Douala (IUCSJD)	Master Ingénierie des Systèmes Complexes - Robotique et Systèmes Autonomes	Diplôme d'Ingénieur
South Korea	Korean Advanced Institute Of Science and Technology (KAIST)	Engineering Diploma	B.Sc, M.Sc, M.Eng, M.B.A
Switzerland	Haute Ecole Arc de Neuchatel (HE-ARC)	Engineering Diploma	Bachelor of Science
Switzerland	Haute Ecole d'Ingénierie de la HES-SO Valais-Wallis (HEI-VS)	Engineering Diploma	Bachelor of Science
Taiwan	National Central University (NCU)	Engineering Diploma - Energy Engineering / Computer Science	Master



How to apply



1

I apply for an exchange at UTBM through my university.

2

My university nominates me at relations.internationales@utbm.fr

3

UTBM contacts me. I fill out the application form and send the requested documents.

4

My application is reviewed by the course hosting me.

5

Once my application accepted, I receive my acceptance letter. The Student Mobility Office helps me prepare my exchange semester.



Required documents

You must bring hard copies of all these documents with you.



Please make sure that the documents are translated in French! (non-official translation tolerated).

Always give copies, not the originals!

Citizens of the European Union, Switzerland, Monaco, Andorra, Algeria, Vatican, Saint-Martin	Citizens of any country outside the UE (including the United Kingdom since January 1st 2021)
A proof of identity (ID, passport)	A birth certificate - translated in French
	Passport (in validity at least 3 months after the end of your stay)
	Long-stay Visa (more than 90 days)*
UTBM Acceptance Letter	UTBM Acceptance Letter
At least 3 passport-size pictures	At least 3 passport-size pictures
European Health Insurance Card (or a proof of health coverage)	Proof of health coverage (at least for your two first months in France) OR for citizens of Québec : form SE401-Q-106
Vaccination certificate (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis up to date)	Vaccination certificate (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis up to date)
Scholarship students: a scholarship certificate - translated in French	A proof of income or scholarship certificate - translated in French
Double Degree students only: Copy of your diplomas and academic transcripts (in French or English)	Double Degree students only: Copy of your diplomas and academic transcripts (in French or English)



*You must apply for a long-stay Visa (more than 90 days) through the French Embassy or Consulate of your birth country, at least a month before your arrival. Please refer to FranceVisa to know your country's procedure. Upon your arrival in France, you have 3 months to validate your Visa online on the ANEF website and pay the 50€ tax.

You can renew your Visa on the ANEF up to 2 months before its expiration (see video attached).

[France Visa](#)

[ANEF](#)



Enrolment

Upon your arrival, the Student Mobility Office will organize a meeting to do your enrollment.



Please don't forget to bring the required documents

After my registration, I get:

My student card, to:



- Pay my meals at the CROUS (resto U)
- Access to the buildings
- Borrow books at the libraries (UTBM and Montbéliard)
- Print my lessons
- Use the self-service printers
- Pay my drinks and snacks at the automatic dispensers

And benefit of all of the advantages of IZLY!



My UTBM email



My user account to access to the online services



- Timetable
- Academic information
- Grades



EDUROAM
(free wifi on the campuses)



Self-service
computers

User account :

- A login (First letter of your name + surname, max 8 characters)
- A temporary password (sent by the administrative department), that you must change as soon as possible on :
Mon Espace UTBM - [ent1], onglet ACCUEIL > Mon Profil UTBM > Changer mon mot de passe.

Welcome Week

Upon your arrival, the Welcome Club organizes a week full of activities to welcome you at UTBM!

- Many events to get to know each other, build friendships and enjoy 😊
- Intensive French training
- Help to do your administrative procedures (because French admin is a blast! 😊)



The Welcome Club also organizes events throughout the semester to discover French culture, enjoy and make unforgettable memories! So, don't forget to follow us on our socials to get all the info 😊



@club.welcome

Accommodation



[More details](#)

CROUS - Résidence Ernest Duvillard

- Furnished room of 9m2
- Private bathroom/toilets included
- Shared kitchen
- Water, heating, electricity included
- Free wifi
- Furnitures: bed and mattress, fridge, desk, shelves, closet, chair
- Bedding (blanket, pillow) extra charge (15€)
- 275€/month, 275€ deposit



2 rue Ernest Duvillard, 90000 Belfort

You can retrieve your keys during the opening hours of your accommodation. Otherwise, you will have to spend your first night in a hotel.

8:30 - 12:00 / 13:30 - 15:30

We will support you step by step in the booking of your CROUS accommodation!

I book an accommodation on my own:



[Le Bon Coin](#)



[PAP](#)



[NEOLIA](#)

Restaurants on campus



A full course for 3.50€



Restaurants on all campuses: look for restaurant CROUS

Crousrestauration

Accommodation

1

I apply for the accommodation of my choice.

2

I apply to get Visale (students under 30 years old).



3

I subscribe to an accommodation insurance with **civil liability** included.



4

I pay for my first month's rent and deposit.

5

I book an appointment to retrieve my keys. **Careful: I plan to stay a night at a hotel depending on my time of arrival.**

The Student Mobility Office will help you with all these procedures

Students wishing to stay in one-rooms or private apartments can ask for more information to the Student Mobility Office. They will not get support in the booking process.

Transportation

Airports



BASEL-MULHOUSE



10 min bus



30 min train



STRASBOURG



10 min bus



2h train



LYON



10 min bus



2h30 train



PARIS



1h metro



3h train

If you plan to arrive by plane, we strongly advise you to land at **Basel-Mulhouse**. If you land in Paris, you can take the TGV (fast train, direct), or the TER, cheaper but slower.

Belfort



Gare Belfort-Montbéliard TGV



20 min bus



Gare BELFORT CENTRE



Optymo



Crous Bed and Breakfast



Best Western Hôtel



Ibis Style Belfort

Montbéliard



Gare Belfort-Montbéliard TGV



20 min bus



Gare MONTBÉLIARD



EvolitY



Ibis Style Montbéliard



Brit Hotel



Download this app to buy your bus tickets on your phone



Do you plan to travel by train? Don't forget to buy a Carte Avantage Jeune for capped fares and discounts!

Health coverage

The **National Health Insurance**, or **Social Security**, is mandatory and free. It reimburses up to 70% of your medical fees.



We advise you find a **médecin traitant** (a general practitioner who follows your medical care), for improved medical monitoring and reimbursement. More information on ameli.fr



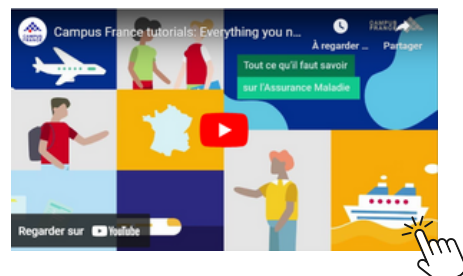
I'm a citizen of the European Union

- I check that the health insurance of my home country **covers me during all of my stay**.
- I get my **European Health Insurance Card** and present it at every medical consultation.
- Public hospitals are free of charge in France. For the other practitioners, I send my **feuille de soins** (medical bill) to my home insurance to be reimbursed.



I'm not a citizen of the European Union

- Once arrived in France, I register to the Social Security on <https://etudiant-etranger.ameli.fr/#/>



- I subscribe to an **international health insurance** for a month and a half, to be covered during the processing of my file
- Once my file processed, I receive a temporary number and an **attestation de droits** (certificate of affiliation). I fill the online form to receive my **Carte Vitale** (insurance card).



Please remember to update any change in your postal address on your Ameli account in order to receive the documents necessary.

Health coverage



Getting reimbursed by the Social Security

• I still haven't received my Carte Vitale :

1. I show my *attestation de droits* to the practitioner.
2. I ask for my *feuille de soins* (medical bill).
3. I send it by post to my affiliated *Caisse Primaire d'Assurance Maladie*.

Caisse Primaire Assurance Maladie CPAM 90
12 r Gén Strolz, 90000 Belfort

• I've received my Carte Vitale :

1. I show my Carte Vitale at every consultation.
2. The reimbursement goes automatically to my bank account.

The Social Security reimburses medical fees up to 70% only. If you want a better reimbursement, we advise you to subscribe to a **complementary health insurance**.



Finances

Estimated monthly budget

Accommodation	277€ - 400€	
Insurances	Accommodation	10€
	Civil liability	Included in your housing insurance or 30€ / year
	Complementary health insurance*	15€
Groceries	250€	
Phone package	From 2 to 20€	
Transport (bus)	From 13€ to 18€	
TOTAL	560€ - 750€	

One-time costs

AE registration* (Student Association)	35€ for a year 20€ for a semester
Deposit (down payment on entering your accommodation)	One rent
Residence permit** (students outside the UE)	50€

* Non mandatory

** Depending on your country of origins.

Finances



Having a French bank account will make your life so much easier!
UTBM has a partnership with **Crédit Agricole de Franche-Comté**.
Having an account will cost you only **1€/year**.
The bank gifts you **40€** if you open an account, so don't hesitate!
Please come with your UTBM scholarship certificate to benefitate from this offer.

Finding a student job

- Advices and tips



- Websites with job offers



- Socials (take a look at Facebook support groups!)



- Temporary employment agencies for short-term jobs



You aren't an European Union citizen? Don't forget to check your employment rights!

Student life



The AE in a few words

- more than **50 clubs** (robotics, mix, shooting, brewery...)
- a **serie of big events during the semester** (integration week, gala, festiv'UT, week of March...)
- **common areas**, to meet, eat and share

Simply put, the Student Association is here to help you organize your parties and weekends, and make your studies at UTBM unforgettable! 😊



Do you want to practice a sport? The BDS is here for that! Numerous slots are available all year round in Belfort and Montbéliard. Joining a club is also the best way to make friends in France 😊



Junior UTBM connects UTBM students with companies where they can carry out paid missions. Whether you want to launch an association or get involved in concrete projects, working with the Junior is the best way to prepare your professional career!

Must do

The Crunch Time



a week of innovation

The FIMU



a student music festival on fire

Les Eurockéennes



2020 World's Best Music Festival

Les lumières de Montbéliard



a magical Christmas market

La Franche-Comté



natural and culinary heritage

Switzerland



a dreamland 30 min away from Belfort

La Bourgogne



land of exceptional wines

The French Alps



breathtaking lakes and mountains

Europa Park



the biggest German theme park 1h30 away from Belfort

L'Alsace



picturesque towns and Christmas markets



A team at your service

The International Relations Office (IRO) is here to help you! If you have any question, please contact relations.internationales@utbm.fr or the appropriate staff member.

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Glossary

Formation

FISE	Engineering specialty (students)
FISA	Engineering specialty (apprentices)
TC	Undergraduate School (two years of preparatory cycle)
HUMA	Humanities Department (T2S and EC)
T2S	Technology, Science and Society (social sciences classes)
EC	Expression Communication (languages classes)
MECA ERGO	Mechanical Engineering and Ergonomics
MECA	Mechanical Engineering
GENIE INDUS	Industrial Systems
ENER	Energy Engineering
INFO	Computer Science
CS	Scientific knowledge (fundamental courses)
TM	Techniques et Methods (advanced courses)
ST	Internship

Classes

UE	A class
CM	Lectures
TD	Tutorial classes
TP	Lab
DU	University Diploma (state-approved)
ECTS	European Credits Transfer System (credits for each class)

Departments

AE	Student Associations
BDS	Sports Office
DRII	International Relations Department
DRE	Corporate Relations Department
DSI	IT Department
PPE	Plannings and Exams Department





UTBM, A CIVIC UNIVERSITY

Engaged for the safety and health of its students and staff

UTBM, AN ECO-RESPONSIBLE UNIVERSITY

That plays its part in limiting the impacts of human activities on the environment

UTBM, A UNIVERSITY THAT PREPARES ITS GRADUATES-TO-BE TO THE FUTURE WORLD

