



**ALPADIA**  
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by Kaplan International

# 2025 STUDY A LANGUAGE ABROAD

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For students 16 and up

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**THIS IS  
ALPADIA**

***LEARN,  
EXPLORE,  
IMMERSE.***



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# Why Alpadia

Alpadia Language Schools by Kaplan International Languages is your ticket to accelerating your language progress in a caring environment with professionals passionate about teaching languages.

In 1996, we embarked on an ambitious mission with a clear vision which is to encourage language development through immersion and to expand the horizons of our students. Today, that vision has blossomed into a worldwide network of language learning opportunities.

Level up your French or German skills and explore destinations in Switzerland, Germany and France.

Make friends from around the globe and speak like a local in no time.  
Year-round language courses that will have you chatting confidently in no time!

## ALPADIA ACCREDITATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS





## ✓ 30 Years Dedicated to Students Like You

Since 1996, we've been crafting unforgettable linguistic journeys, blending Swiss precision with the thrill of adventure. But our story doesn't end there. United with Kaplan International Languages and our sister Azurlingua in Nice, we bring you over 130 years of combined wisdom in language education. Imagine learning French in the heart of beautiful French Riviera, or mastering German in the bustling streets of Berlin. Together, we have been perfecting language immersion across Switzerland, France, and Germany, while Azurlingua has been welcoming students to the sunny shore of Nice.

## ✓ 120,000 Happy Students

Close your eyes and visualize a vibrant tapestry of cultures, woven together by the threads of shared learning experiences. That's the Alpadia community. Every year, over a thousand students from across the globe converge in our classrooms, creating a microcosm of the world. Here, you're not just learning a language; you're expanding your horizons, challenging your perspectives, and forging friendships that span continents.

## ✓ Top European Locations

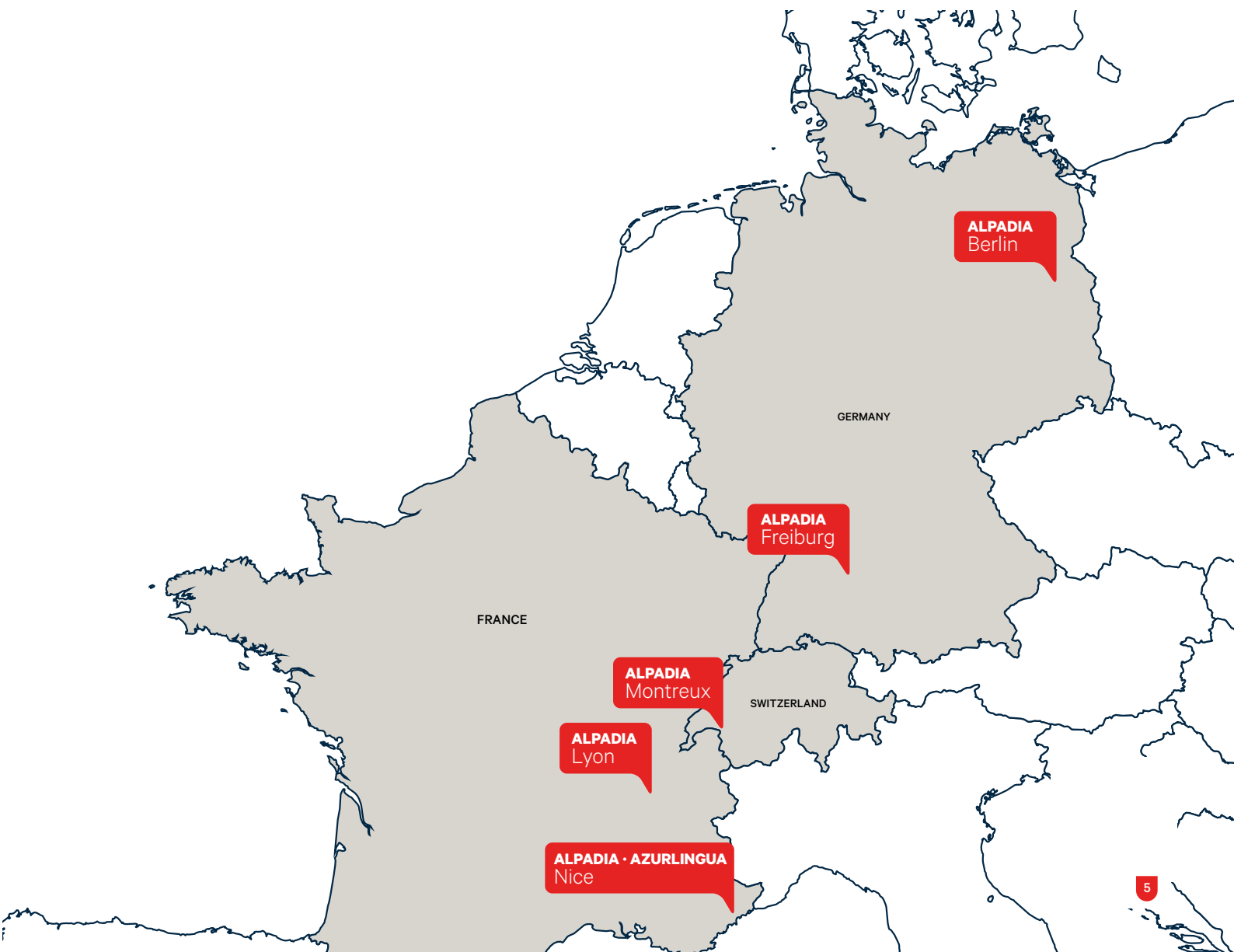
**France:** Sip espresso at a Parisian café, your newfound French flowing as smoothly as the Seine.

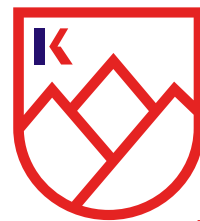
**Germany:** Envision debating philosophy in Berlin's historic squares, your German as robust as the city's rich culture.

**Switzerland:** Master French or German while surrounded by alpine beauty, your linguistic skills reaching new heights. Each destination is a chapter in your personal language story, carefully chosen to offer both authentic immersion and exhilarating experiences.

## ✓ 97% Exam Success Rate

We really love teaching languages. 97% of our students pass their exams, a task crafted with passion by our academic team. We ensure our classrooms remain with a small number of students for you to have a personalized experience. We will focus on you achieving your language goals.





# UNLOCK A WORLD OF POSSIBILITIES



You've just stepped off a plane, the air filled with unfamiliar sounds and sights. Your heart races with excitement as you realize - this is it. Your language learning adventure has begun!

At Alpadia, we're not just teaching languages; we're crafting life-changing experiences. For over a century, we've been the storytellers of countless student journeys, each one unique and inspiring. Imagine yourself strolling through charming European streets, confidently ordering coffee in a new language, or sharing laughs with friends from across the globe. This isn't just a daydream - it's the Alpadia experience.

As you enter our school, you're greeted by expert language instructors eagerly awaiting to guide you through your linguistic journey. Our well-trained team of professionals is dedicated to supporting you every step of the way, from grammar challenges to cultural insights. We believe that true language mastery happens beyond textbooks. It's in the vibrant conversations at local markets, the shared meals with your international roommates, and in those magical moments, you realize you're thinking in a new language without even trying.

Every week, our schools become a melting pot of cultures as new faces from around the world join our community. You'll find yourself surrounded by kindred spirits, all eager to explore, learn, and grow together. Remember, this journey is about more than just conjugating verbs. It's about discovering a new version of yourself - one who's more confident, culturally aware, and ready to take on the world.

***Let's embark on this adventure together!***

**Mattias Ysebie**

Operations Director







# Studying a Foreign Language

## **MAKE RAPID PROGRESS WITH ALPADIA.**

Our schools offer a modern and effective teaching method delivered by qualified teachers, with well-planned and motivating lessons adapted to all language levels and designed to allow for maximum interaction between the teacher and students.





## Effective Teaching Methods

### TO ACHIEVE THE BEST RESULTS:

- A pre-arrival online language placement test is taken so you can start learning at the right level from the first day you arrive at school
- Communication is prioritized with clearly identified objectives and the use of interactive activities
- Class size is limited to 12/14 students and 8 students for mini-groups, which means that each student can take an active part in the lessons
- The approach to language teaching is based on achieving concrete, operational linguistic aims, and not on exercises and automatic reflexes acquired out of context
- We help you develop your know-how and encourage you to use it in practical situations
- Various recognised FLE (French as a Foreign Language) and DAF (German as a Foreign Language) methods are used
- Teachers encourage students to use the language they are learning as much as possible both inside and outside school in order to maintain full immersion in the language



## Qualified Teachers

### TEACHERS ARE CHOSEN FOR THEIR NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS AND FOR:

- Their experience teaching a foreign language
- Their enthusiasm and ability to create exciting and interactive lessons
- The attention they pay to each student
- Their lively and personalised teaching style that guarantees long-lasting progress

## Languages for Life

Learning a foreign language is a rewarding tool to be used throughout a lifetime. Being able to communicate in another language can provide new professional and personal opportunities, opening doors to foreign cultures and fresh experiences, contributing to career growth and an expansive worldview. Fluency in a foreign language gives you the chance to showcase yourself as a global citizen.



# Your Progress with Alpadia

## Teaching by European Standards.

Our course structure and level testing are based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), which constitutes the European standard framework for foreign language teaching.





## We Follow the Official Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

The official Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) document by the Council of Europe helps determine the candidate's language level in terms of their knowledge in various skills groups.

The table below is a summary of the CEFR grid. It shows you the language level that you can achieve during your stay as well as the level required to take one of the official French or German exams offered at Alpadia schools.

Your CEFR* level	Description	Time to achieve level for a beginner**
<b>C2</b> VERY ADVANCED	<b>Black belt master</b> you can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand everything you read or hear in a range of subjects;</li> <li>Understand the subtleties of the language and easily interpret complex documents;</li> <li>Express yourself correctly and fluently without hesitation;</li> <li>Debate complex subjects.</li> </ul>	<b>60+ WEEKS</b>
<b>C1</b> ADVANCED	<b>Autonomous university breakthrough level</b> you can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the specifics of complex texts and oral outputs on subjects relating to social and professional life;</li> <li>Express yourself with confidence and precision when discussing a range of topics.</li> </ul>	<b>46 WEEKS</b>
<b>B2</b> UPPER INTERMEDIATE	<b>Advanced professional breakthrough level</b> You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand detailed information in texts or oral output dealing with a familiar, concrete or abstract topics;</li> <li>Express yourself clearly about subjects that you are interested in.</li> </ul>	<b>34 WEEKS</b>
<b>B1</b> INTERMEDIATE	<b>Personal breakthrough level</b> You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the important information in texts and oral output about known or expected situations;</li> <li>Express yourself with ease on subjects dealing with everyday life.</li> </ul>	<b>24 WEEKS</b>
<b>A2</b> UPPER ELEMENTARY	<b>Advanced basic level</b> You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand practical information in simple messages of everyday life;</li> <li>Make yourself understood in familiar and expected situations.</li> </ul>	<b>16 WEEKS</b>
<b>A1</b> ELEMENTARY	<b>Basic level</b> You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand short phrases if known or repeated;</li> <li>Express your basic needs;</li> <li>Identify and reproduce single words or memorised expressions.</li> </ul>	<b>8 WEEKS</b>

\*Common European Framework of Reference for the teaching of foreign languages. Duration varies from one level to another  
 \*\*Approximate duration, with a Standard course. The level achieved by each student depends upon their individual capabilities, investment and diligence.

For a more in-depth progression, select an **Intensive 25** or **Premium 30** course.



# Courses Adapted to Your Needs

**Your objectives are our main priority.**

We offer various course types so that you can find the one that best suits your specific language needs. In order to guarantee the best teaching quality, our group courses include a maximum of 14 participants.





## Standard 20

**Levels** Beginner to advanced A1\* > C1  
**Duration** 1 to 46 weeks  
**Lessons** 20 per week

Our Standard 20 courses are an excellent choice if you want to improve your general linguistic communication skills and still have free time on your hands.

## Intensive 25

**Levels** Beginner to advanced A1\* > C1  
**Duration** 1 to 46 weeks  
**Lessons** 25 per week – Standard 20 + 5 oral communication

The Intensive 25 course differs from the Standard 20 course in that it offers a more in-depth study of the language thanks to five additional lessons per week dedicated to oral communication. You'll be then able to improve your communication skills through role-plays and simulation exercises.

## Premium 30

**Levels** Beginner to advanced A1\* > C1  
**Duration** 1 to 46 weeks  
**Lessons** 30 per week – Intensive 25  
+ 5 written communication in mini-group

This Premium 30 course is suitable for motivated students wishing to make rapid progress. The sixth daily lesson added to the Intensive 25 course is focused on writing skills organised in a mini-group with a maximum of 8 participants. This is a quick and effective option to improve your oral and written communication skills.

## Private and Online Lessons

**Levels** Beginner to advanced A1\* > C2  
**Duration** Tailor-made

**Lessons** Intensity according to set objectives

With your private teacher, you will work specifically on the skills you wish to develop and progress at your own pace. Classes can be physical courses

held at school or online lessons organised from home or office.

## Combi 5 and 10 Courses

**Levels** **Combi 5** Beginner to advanced A1\* > C1  
**Combi 10** Beginner to advanced A1\* > C1

**Duration** 1 to 46 weeks

**Lessons** 25 or 30 per week – Standard 20 + 5 or 10 private lessons

This course is designed for students who wish to combine a group course

with private lessons in order to acquire a deeper knowledge of the language.

## Exam Preparation 30

**Levels** Intermediate to advanced B1 > C1,  
see page 20-21 "Certificates"

**Duration** 4 weeks

**Lessons** 30 per week – Standard 20  
+ 10 exam preparation in mini-group with 8 students max.

**Start dates** According to exam date

Ideal for students wishing to prepare intensively for an exam, this programme includes 2 daily preparatory lessons, in addition to the Standard 20. Class size is limited to 8 students in order to guarantee optimal effectiveness.

## Schedule

The table below indicates the weekly schedule of lessons in the mornings, from Monday to Friday. However we may organise classes in the afternoon at different times during the year depending on the schools' capacity, students' nationality mix, and their language level.

Schedule 1 lesson = 45 minutes						
NUMBER OF LESSONS A DAY	STANDARD 20	INTENSIVE 25	PREMIUM 30	COMBI 5	COMBI 10	EXAM PREP 30
4	General linguistic skills	General linguistic skills	General linguistic skills	General linguistic skills	General linguistic skills	General linguistic skills
+1		Oral communication	Oral communication	Private course	Private course	Exam preparation in mini-group
+1			Written communication in mini-group		Private course	Exam preparation in mini-group



*After a three-week standard course, I find that my level of German has noticeably improved. Through daily written and oral exercises, discussions between participants, and permanently enriching my vocabulary, I was able to make important progress. Both teachers, Daniel and Jadwiga, were very motivated and systematic. The only disadvantage in my opinion: the size of the classrooms was too small for the number of students.*

**Gerassimos X. Alpadia Freiburg Student**



# Certificates





# Get Certified in German and French with Alpadia

**We have 97% exam success rate**



## The European Language Certificates

TELC offers German exams for levels A1 to C2, which correspond to the levels of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages and are recognised worldwide as proof of achievement. German TELC C1 Hochschule is recommended for students entering the Academic Pathway programme.

Our schools in Berlin and Freiburg offer monthly TELC exam preparation courses for levels B1 / B2 / C1. Alpadia Berlin and Freiburg schools are TELC-accredited official exam centres.



## Test of German as a Foreign Language

The TestDaF examination and the TELC are the recommended exams for students wishing to enter our Academic Pathway programme in Germany. Comprised of a listening comprehension section, a reading comprehension section, a writing section, and an oral test, this exam takes place five times per year at our Berlin school.



## Promotion of the German Language and Culture Abroad

Goethe-Institut exams are internationally recognised by employers and continuing education institutions as proof of achievement. German exams offered by the Goethe-Institut correspond to the range of levels of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages from A1 to C2.

Alpadia Berlin offers Goethe Zertifikat preparation courses for levels B2 / C1.

## Diploma in French Studies

The DELF (A1 to B2) and DALF (C1 and C2) are official diplomas awarded by the French National Ministry of Education in order to certify skills in French as a Foreign Language. They are made up of six independent diplomas corresponding to the six levels of the CEFR.

Officially recognised in more than 150 countries, the DELF/DALF diplomas are in high demand in academic and professional fields. These exams are offered in Montreux Lyon on fixed dates, in the regional exam centres located within direct proximity of the Alpadia schools.



## Test in French Language Skills

The TCF is a multiple-choice questionnaire. After the DELF/DALF, the TCF has become the most taken exam in French language schools. Based on the CEFR for foreign languages, it has already achieved high recognition. Our schools in Montreux and Lyon are official TCF exam centres.



## Fide Test

The French fide test is a recognised proof of language issued by the Swiss State Secretariat for Migration (SEM). The test consists of an oral part and a written part and is required in Switzerland for naturalisation and permit applications.

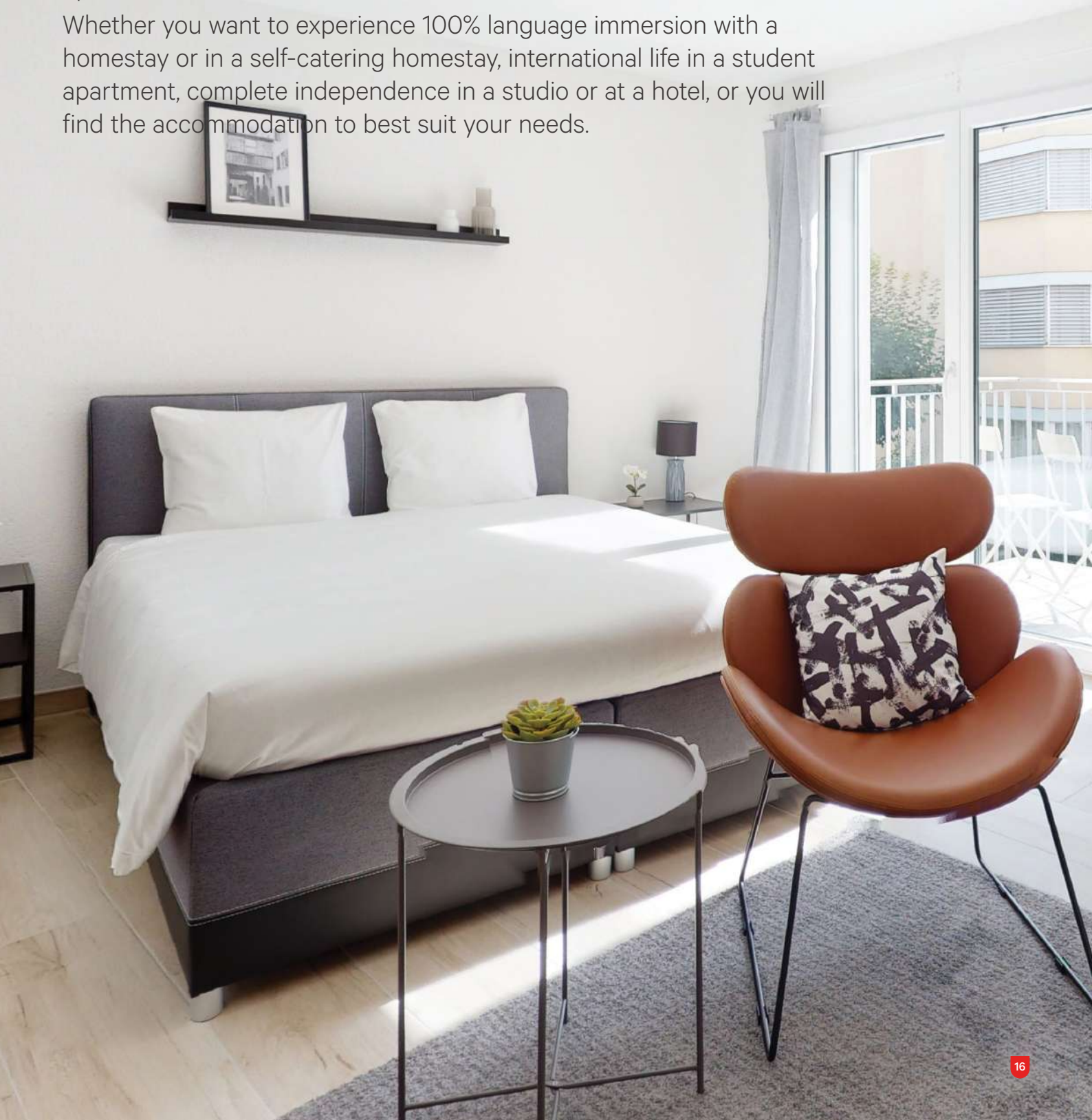
Our school in Montreux is an official fide exam centre.

# Quality Accommodation

## Choose the right place to stay.

This is essential to the success of a language study stay and this is why we take special care when selecting the range of accommodation options we offer students at our various course locations.

Whether you want to experience 100% language immersion with a homestay or in a self-catering homestay, international life in a student apartment, complete independence in a studio or at a hotel, or you will find the accommodation to best suit your needs.





**Homestay** from age 16  
Montreux · Lyon · Nice · Berlin · Freiburg

**Student Apartment** from age 18  
Montreux · Lyon · Berlin · Freiburg

**Homestay with No Meals** from age 18  
Berlin · Freiburg

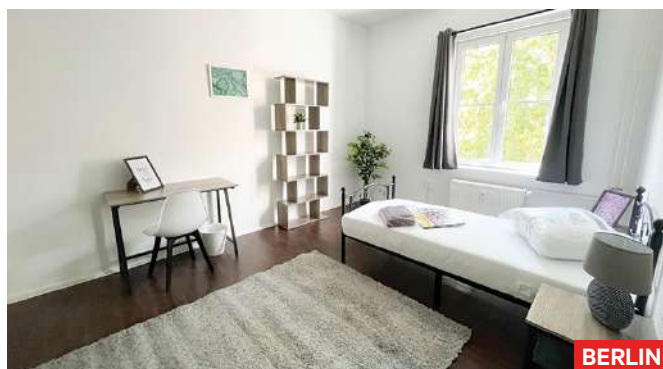
**Course without Accommodation** from age 16  
Montreux · Lyon · Nice · Berlin · Freiburg

If you wish to arrange accommodation yourself, you can attend the classes and take part in the activities like the other students.

**Residence** from age 18 (from age 16 in Montreux and Nice)  
Montreux · Lyon · Nice · Berlin · Freiburg

**Studio** from age 18  
Montreux

**Hotel and Bed and Breakfast** from age 18  
Montreux · Lyon · Berlin · Freiburg



## See what our hosts have to say!

*My name is Boulegroun S. and I live in Confluence, Lyon. I have been a host family with Alpadia for 11 years. My three children left home at the same time and have now taken off on their own. When I host students I look after them as if they were my own children, and in the evening we have dinner together so they can practise the French language.*

*I'm very concerned about their well-being and as soon as they arrive I make them feel at ease. Some people are nannies for small children, and I'm a nanny for the older ones.*

*It's a pleasure to be able to talk to students from all over the world and travel through them!*



# Social Activities Programme

**Explore the city, make new friends, and gain a deeper immersion in the language with our exciting events and activities.**

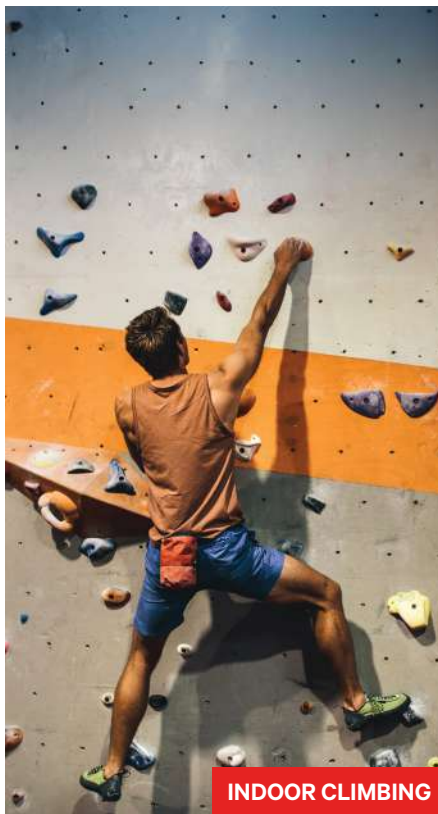
All our schools offer a packed schedule of things to do, from movie nights and dinners at local restaurants to tours of national landmarks and day trips. Whether you're a sports fan, an arts lover, a gourmet, or a thrill-seeker, our social program is full of opportunities to make your time at Alpadia unforgettable. Many activities are free of charge, but some will have an extra cost attached, such as transport.

 Follow **@alpadia\_language\_schools** on Instagram to join in on the fun!

## SAMPLE PACKAGE ACTIVITIES



BIKE TOUR



INDOOR CLIMBING



SIGHTSEEING TOUR

## SAMPLE EVENING ACTIVITIES



STAMMTISCH



LASERGAME



# Full Immersion Experience

**Practising the language both inside and outside the classroom, during breaks and activities maintain the full immersion experience in the language.**

This creates opportunities for students to learn and exchange while strengthening cross-cultural communication.

## OUR RECOMMENDED PACKAGE FOR A FULL IMMERSION EXPERIENCE



### Intensive course 25

With a core foundation built on general linguistic skills, extra attention is given to verbal communication, helping you grasp the subtleties of the language.



### Homestay

Living with a family encourages you to push yourself out of that comfort zone and to practice your language skills as they promote a safe learning environment.



### Alpadia activities

By participating in the activities proposed, you will gain confidence in your communications skills, while enjoying new friendships.

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## See what our students have to say!

*I chose Freiburg, because I wanted to live in a small, beautiful city. Moreover, Freiburg is the green city of Germany! I like the school a lot, that's why it's the second time that I come here this year. I even have a German family now, with a German brother! There is a lot of cultural exchange between us. Sometimes I even cook Korean food for them. I'm very satisfied with the activities - I take part in every excursion and every week I'm looking forward to see what's next. The activities are varied and they are an excellent chance to get to know the students from other classes. The activity tutor also tells us many things about Germany, so every time I learn new things!*

**Soomin P. Alpadia Freiburg student**

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# OUR STUDENTS

## #LOVEALPADIA







I have found my time at Alpidia to be enjoyable and fun, helping me to further my understanding of this beautiful language. I would recommend the School to anyone who wishes to study German in Berlin

Theodor from Norway 🇳🇴



Ana-Paula from Ecuador 🇪🇨



Lorenzo from Brazil 🇧🇷



Yuki from Japan 🇯🇵



Giulia from Spain 🇪🇸



Lin from Taiwan 🇹🇼



Pernille from Denmark 🇩🇰



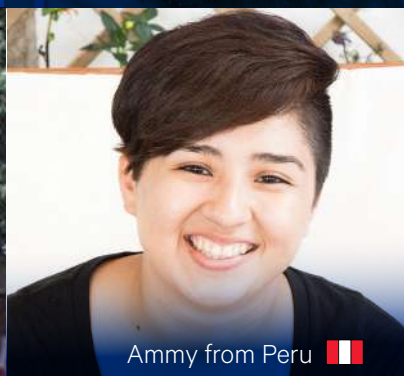
Ismet from Switzerland 🇨🇭

At **Alpidia Freiburg** there is a very nice atmosphere. The apartment is perfect, situated in a quiet area and at the same time in the city center. I really like the language course. After three months now I can say, that I want to stay longer.



The atmosphere in the **Freiburg** school is absolutely positive and full of harmony... I am happy and satisfied. I made a very good decision with this school because the teaching methodology is optimal for all students.

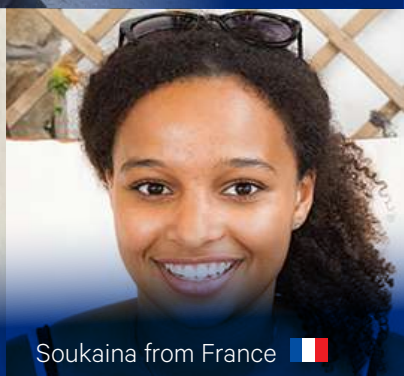
Alicia from Mexico 🇲🇩



Ammy from Peru 🇵🇪



Mario Andres from Mexico 🇲🇩



Soukaina from France 🇫🇷



Tobias from Germany 🇩🇪



The teaching offered by Alpidia allowed me to quickly overcome my shyness and break down the linguistic barrier so that I could fully take advantage of my language learning experience in **Montreux**.

Linda from Russia 🇷🇺



Iryna from Ukraine 🇺🇦



Carlos from Colombia 🇨🇴



# Montreux

## ***The Pearl of the Swiss Riviera***

Montreux offers a gorgeous setting for a French language course. Located on the banks of Lake Geneva, at the foot of the Alps, the pearl of the Swiss Riviera enjoys an almost Mediterranean climate.

In July, Montreux sways and dances to the rhythm of the famous Montreux Jazz Festival, while in winter, Switzerland's largest Christmas market bestows a magical atmosphere on the town. Every season here is extraordinary.







## THE PEARL OF THE SWISS RIVIERA

Our school in Montreux is on the main street on the edge of Lake Geneva. The beautiful promenade is surrounded by exotic plants, which help make Montreux one of the most visited places in French-speaking Switzerland. You can easily reach the school from your accommodation by bus or train with stations only five minutes away on foot.



The course centre has comfortable and bright classrooms, a cafeteria plus a fully-equipped kitchen and welcoming terraces where you can relax with friends. The size of Alpadia Montreux means that we are able to give students our personal attention and be there for you when you arrive and throughout your stay.

At the end of class, you can go straight onto the terraces by Lake Geneva with the other students or visit the shops nearby.

### Accreditations & certifications



### Key facts

	<b>School</b>	
	Minimum age	16
	Students/class	8-12
	Year of foundation	2003
	Schedule	Monday to Friday
	Class timings	Morning or Afternoon
	Language	French
	<b>Address</b>	
	Grand-Rue 42, 1820 Montreux, Switzerland	
	<b>Courses</b>	
	In group / Private / Private Online lessons	
	Exam preparation	DELTA/DALF
	University Pathway programme	
	Work experience programme	
	Internship & Volunteer programme	
	Exam Centre TCF	

**30+**

different nationalities

**97%**

of exam success rate



## ACTIVITIES IN MONTREUX

The Swiss Riviera and Montreux offer wide-ranging activities for you to enjoy in addition to your language classes. From spring to autumn, you can take part in numerous mountain and water sports during your French course in Montreux: climbing, paragliding, sailing, waterskiing, stand-up paddle or mountain-biking – the Riviera is a real sports paradise.

Take time out to visit the famous medieval Château de Chillon, sail on a hundred-year-old steamboat on Lake Geneva, or just stroll along the lakeside among the palm trees and exotic flowers. Between March and September, music festival fever hits the region, with highlights including Cully Jazz and Montreux Jazz.

In winter, just 30 minutes away from Montreux, you will find one of the world's largest ski resorts. "Les Portes du Soleil" has everything, from ice skating rinks to toboggan runs and snowshoe trekking. For four weeks in December, Montreux also plays host to Switzerland's largest and most famous Christmas market. Whenever you come, you will always find something to do in Montreux.





# LYON

## ***The City of Lights***

With its university, art, culture, history, creation, gastronomy and contemporary dance, Lyon is a cosmopolitan city that is always pushing boundaries.

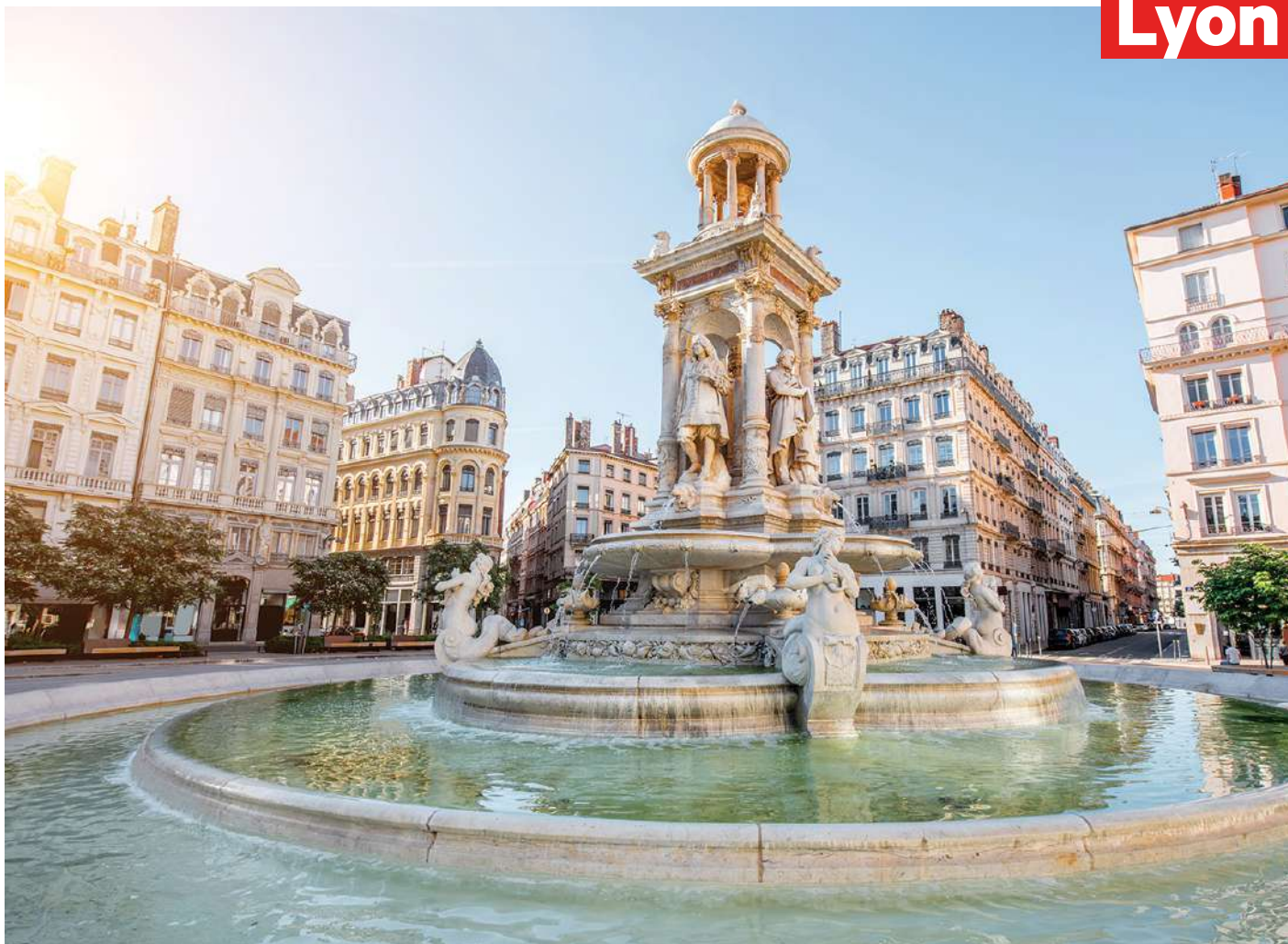
Lyon is just two hours from Paris, Marseille and Geneva on the TGV, the French high-speed train. The city also has an international airport that makes Lyon a perfect spot from which to discover Western Europe.

At night, the city sparkles; your evenings in Lyon are bound to be memorable.

From Bellecour to Terreaux, from St-Jean to St-Paul, from the Parc de la Tête d'Or to the Pentes de la Croix Rousse, its banks and pastel-coloured old districts resembling little villages are invitations to go shopping, enjoy peaceful walks or explore the area.







## THE CITY OF LIGHTS

Our school is in the heart of the city's cultural and festive life in Lyon's centre. The beautiful 19th-century building is located on the "Presqu'île" (peninsula), overlooking the Rhône and a short walk from the Saône. The school has spacious and bright classrooms with high ceilings.




Only a stone's throw away from the biggest square in Lyon, straight after class you can soak up the atmosphere in the numerous nearby cafés and restaurants, where Lyon's students meet.

The school has direct access to the best pedestrian shopping areas in Lyon and there is a subway station and a bus stop less than five minutes' walk away from the school.

### Accreditations & certifications



### Key facts

	<b>School</b>	
	Minimum age	16
	Students/class	8-12
	Year of foundation	2006
	Schedule	Monday to Friday
	Class timings	Morning or Afternoon
	<b>Address</b>	
	Quai Jules Courmont 6, 69002 Lyon, France	
	<b>Courses</b>	
	In group / Private / Private Online lessons	
	Exam preparation	DELTA/DALF
	University Pathway programme	
	Work experience programme	
	Internship programme	
	Volunteer programme	

**30+**

different nationalities

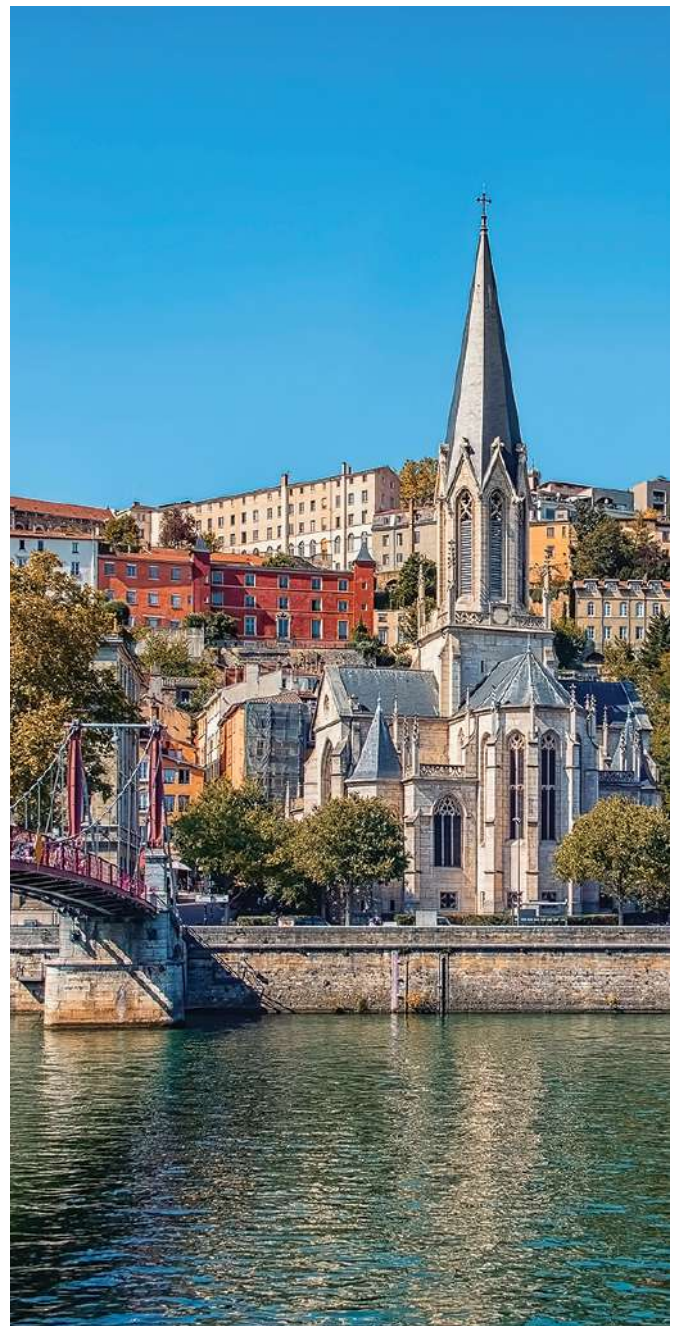
**95%**

of exam success rate



## ACTIVITIES IN LYON

Lyon offers an incredible range of options for you to enjoy during your French course. Boutiques, cinemas, exhibitions, concerts, sports centres, bars, restaurants, discos: so many opportunities for going out with friends, taking a stroll or partying!





# Nice

## ***The City of Sunshine***

Nestled along the stunning French Riviera, close to Italy, Nice beckons with its vibrant university scene, rich artistry, cultural heritage, and dynamic culinary offerings.

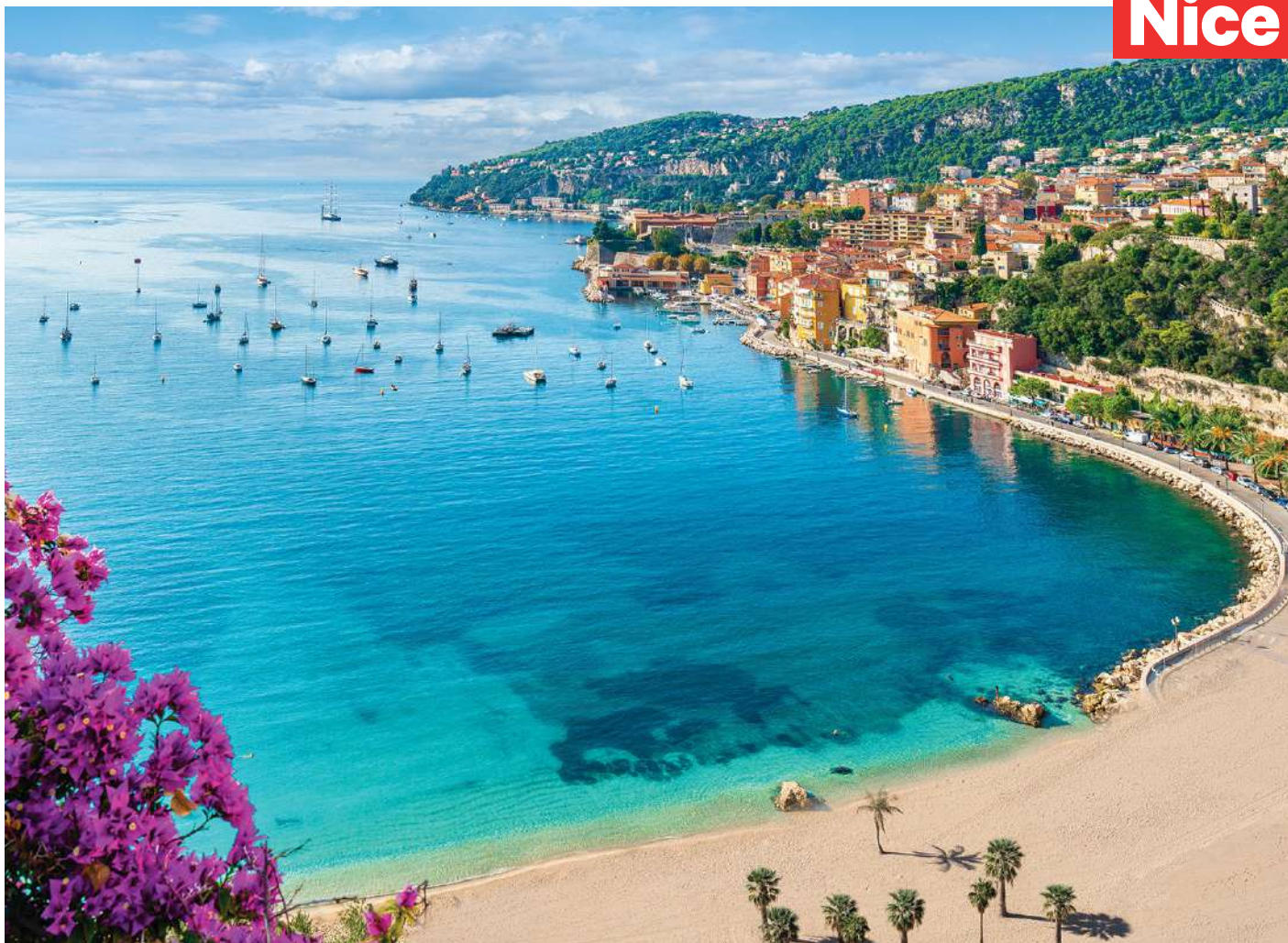
This cosmopolitan haven, just a stone's throw away from Monaco, Cannes, and St Tropez, serves as the perfect launchpad for exploring Western Europe. Its international airport further enhances accessibility, making Nice a perfect hub for travelers.

With its picturesque promenades, bustling markets, colourful buildings and serene parks, the city invites exploration at every turn. Nice benefits from sunshine almost all year round and the perfect beaches and crystal-clear waters offer visitors a unique blend of urban life alongside a true paradise.

Discover its treasures and immerse yourself in the sensory delights of Nice, where every experience is a treat for the senses.







## THE CITY OF SUNSHINE

Step into the heart of the French Riviera, where the azure Mediterranean meets the charming streets of Nice. This school is operated by our sister school Azurlingua.

Our school, nestled in the quiet "Les Musiciens" district, is your gateway to an unforgettable experience. Just minutes from the central station, and the iconic beaches, you'll find yourself immersed in the vibrant French culture from day one. Stroll through local markets, practice your newfound French skills with friendly locals, or take a short trip to glamorous Monaco or picturesque Cannes. Every moment becomes a lesson, every conversation an opportunity to grow.

Join our community of over 4,000 annual students and let the sunny French Riviera inspire your best French accent.

### Accreditations & certifications



### Key facts

#### School

Minimum age	16
Students/class	12 Standard / 8 Intensive
Year of foundation	1991
Schedule	Monday to Friday
Class timings	Morning or Afternoon

#### Address

47 rue Herold, 06000, Nice, France

#### Courses

In group	20 or 30 lessons/Week, Private, School group, 50 +
CourseExam preparation	DELTA A1/A2/B1/B2

**40+**

different nationalities

**97%**

of exam success rate



## ACTIVITIES IN NICE

Indulge your senses with our tantalizing crêpe, wine, and cheese tastings, where every bite and sip is a lesson in French culinary art.

Join us on exciting excursions to the glamorous streets of Monaco, the star-studded boulevards of Cannes, or the picturesque village of Eze, where you'll discover the secrets of French perfumery at Fragonard.

Art enthusiasts will fall in love with Antibes and its Picasso Museum, while history buffs can lose themselves in the winding alleys of Vieux-Nice. For a taste of local life, join our walks through charming Villefranche and Beaulieu.





 GERMANY

# Berlin

## ***An Avant-garde Capital***

Learn German in Berlin and discover a capital city with a unique soul: a place where audacious architecture, cutting-edge cultural events and prodigious parties await! Berlin with its numerous parks, forests and lakes exuberantly juxtaposes avant-garde glass-panelled skyscrapers and historical buildings with large green areas that account for around a third of the city, providing plenty of perfect places to enjoy some fresh air.

With its unrivalled cultural dynamism, the German capital has become Europe's hippest city. Home to more than 165 museums, 300 art galleries and 150 theatres, Berlin is a kaleidoscope of artistic activity, bursting with creativity and welcoming the most diverse trends.







## AN AVANT-GARDE CAPITAL

In the Schöneberg district, a stone's throw from the main attractions of the capital, our language school offers students a unique opportunity to attend German classes in one of the most beautiful areas of the city.

Many cafés, bars and restaurants can be found along the lively streets of this central district, easily reachable by public transport. From the metro station or the bus stop, you will be two minutes away from the spacious and welcoming premises of our course centre.

Along with its large and bright classrooms, equipped with first-class learning facilities, the school has a conference room, an internet café as well as a spacious lounge, where students can meet up during the breaks and buy refreshments.

### Accreditations & certifications



Find out more online [fal.cn/alpadiaberlin](http://fal.cn/alpadiaberlin)

## Key facts



### School

Minimum age	16
Students/class	8-14
Year of foundation	1986
Schedule	Monday to Friday
Class timings	Morning or Afternoon



### Address

Hauptstraße 23/24, 10827 Berlin, Germany



### Courses

In group / Private / Private Online lessons	
Exam preparation	Goethe-Zertifikat TELC Deutsch / TestDaF
University and Career Pathway programmes	
Work experience programme	
Internship programme	
Volunteer programme	

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## ACTIVITIES IN BERLIN

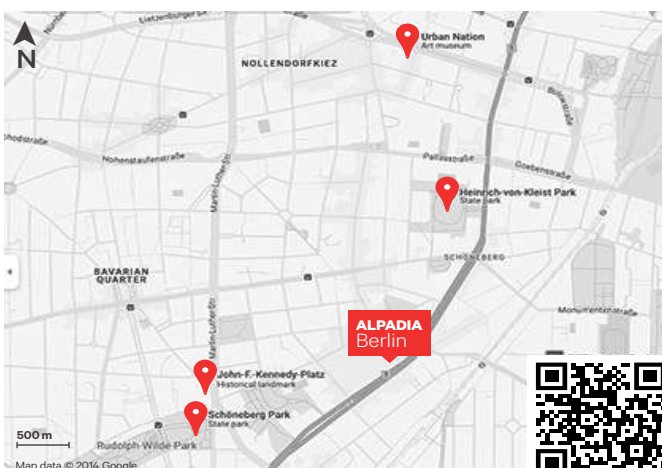
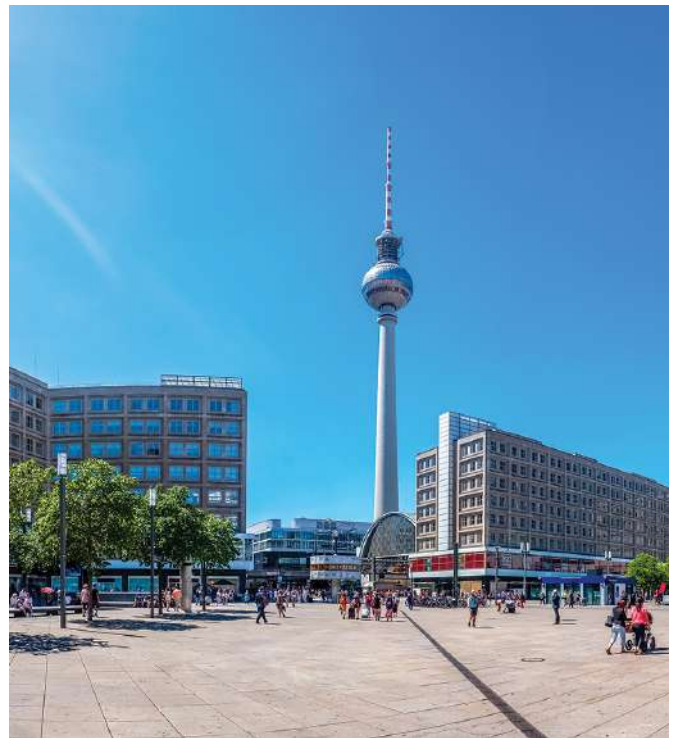
During your German course at Alpadia Berlin, let yourself be carried away by the hustle and bustle of this vibrant capital.

Every week, the school offers its students a wide range of activities and excursions, including museum visits, exhibitions and guided city tours. For aficionados, Berlin's nightlife is a reference in Europe.

Mixing genres and atmospheres, the capital is packed with bars, restaurants and nightclubs.

### **B2 Guarantee**

Exclusively at Alpadia Berlin, we can guarantee your progression to a B2 level if you respect the personal learning path defined for you. If you have not obtained your B2 level after your agreed course duration, we will provide up to 4 weeks of free group lessons.





# Freiburg

## ***The Capital of the Black Forest***

Located in the state of Baden-Württemberg, where Germany meets Switzerland and France, Freiburg is a multicultural city with a southern charm. Residents have a long-standing commitment to sustainable development, always favouring walking and cycling to get around the picturesque alleys and lanes of the town centre. Modern and audacious, the whole city supports innovative ideas and its location as the economic heart of a dynamic region only reinforces this open-mindedness.

Hailed as the capital of the Black Forest, the town opens onto glorious mountainous landscapes and lush countryside along the Baden wine trail. Freiburg has become one of the greenest cities in Europe and a pioneer in solar energy and sustainable architecture.

Learn German in Freiburg and let this attractive university town, considered the warmest in Germany, enliven your senses. Stroll about the pedestrian streets of its historical town centre.










## THE CAPITAL OF THE BLACK FOREST

Founded in 1972, our language school in Freiburg is established in an elegant neoclassical house located in the town centre. Here, you will find a stimulating, multicultural environment, conducive to learning German rapidly.

The course center has comfortable classrooms, a cafeteria as well as a spacious terrace and wonderful garden.

After your German classes, set off to discover the city. From the school, you will be close to the university, the numerous shops of the historical centre and its beautiful Gothic cathedral.

### Key facts

	<b>School</b>	
	Minimum age	16
	Students/class	8-14
	Year of foundation	1972
	Schedule	Monday to Friday
	Class timings	Morning or Afternoon
	<b>Address</b>	
	Werthmannstrasse 18, 79098 Freiburg, Germany	
	<b>Courses</b>	
	In group / Private / Private Online lessons	
	Exam preparation	TELC Deutsch
	University and Career Pathway programmes	
	Work experience programme	
	Internship programme	
	Volunteer programme	

### Accreditations & certifications



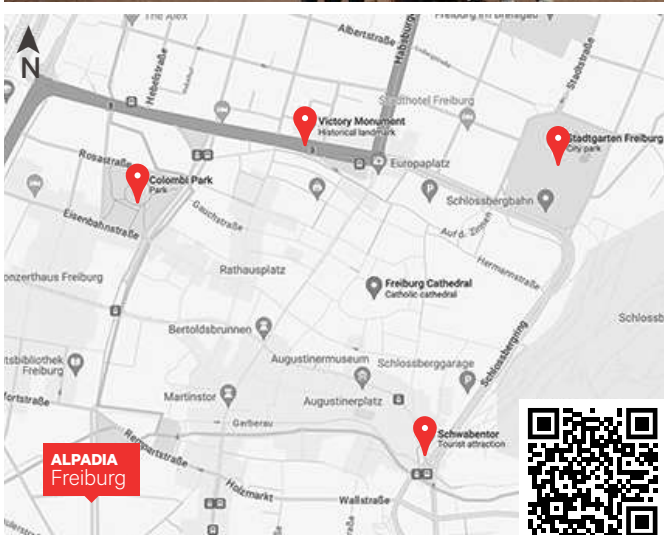


## ACTIVITIES IN FREIBURG

Your language study trip to Germany will be an opportunity to explore the youthful and dynamic university city of Freiburg.

The school organises a weekly activities programme, which will offer you the chance to explore the city by bike, watch films together and take part in Stammtisch, bringing together teachers and students for fun, friendly evenings as well as conversations in German! Take advantage of the excursions offered and visit Zurich or Strasbourg, Freiburg's neighbours in nearby Switzerland and France.

Freiburg gets even livelier at the weekend. Its plentiful college students take control of the city, creating a party ambience in its bars and parks. In this fun atmosphere and the glorious surroundings, you will enjoy your stay in Freiburg to the full!





# Pathway Programmes

## Ready for the exciting challenges ahead!

Whatever your professional or academic goals, Alpadia can help you get there with our extensive Pathways programmes. Request our dedicated Pathways brochure for more information about our programmes.

## University Pathway Programme



### Achieve your academic dreams!

Alpadia offers international students an optimal pathway to a wide range of public universities. Our University Pathway Programme is designed to guide participants through every step of the way, starting with a personalised roadmap, followed by admissions, visa assistance, language learning, and finally, successful entry to student's desired study program in Europe.

#### Benefit from:

- Access to 400+ public universities offering over 20.000+Bachelor and Master's degrees, covering all fields of studies.
- Specialised high-quality language courses to obtain academic B2 or C1 level according to applicant's educational background.
- Full expert assistance throughout the pathway from admission, visa application, language learning, preparing for and passing the official language exam until enrolment at university.

<b>Levels</b>	Beginner to Advanced A1* > C1		
<b>Duration</b>	12 to 50 weeks		
<b>Lessons</b>	20 or 25 per week		
<b>Programme</b>	University 20: U20 / University 25: U25		
	A1* > C1	50 weeks	A2 > C1 42 weeks
	B1 > C1	34 weeks	B2 > C1 26 weeks
	C1	16 weeks	

**Start dates** every Monday year-round for all levels,

\*beginners only: 1st Monday/month in Berlin + 3rd Monday/month in Freiburg

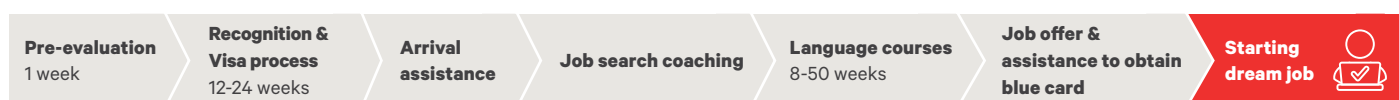
All students join their Intensive or Standard course for the necessary duration followed by four weeks of exam prep course prior to their official language exam. This programme is ideal for students who want to pursue their academic studies in Germany, France or Switzerland. For more information, **refer to our dedicated pathways brochure.**

#### Online Prep-course for Studienkolleg

**Booking** on-site after choosing the Studienkollegs of application

To prepare students in the best way possible for the entrance exam of the German foundation year (Studienkolleg), we offer online preparatory courses with the possibility to choose preparation for specific Studienkollegs.

## Career Pathway Programme for all global professionals with university degree



### Land your dream job in Germany!

Our Career Pathway Programme is specifically designed to assist professionals from around the world with expert guidance for a smooth transition to Germany, an optimised job search, and a strategic placement plan thanks to our expertise, experience and an extensive network of partners.



# Join Our Courses



## 1 Select the dates of the language programme you wish to book



## 2 Insurance

Make sure to read carefully through the “insurance” clauses of our Terms and Conditions. Students who enrol for a language study programme with us must have a health & accident insurance policy which is valid in Switzerland, France and Germany. Health and travel insurance may be taken out during your enrolment with Alpadia. Cancellation insurance may be taken out with an external provider.



## 3 Enrol

Complete all the relevant sections on the **online form of our website**.



## 4 Booking

Your study advisor will first make sure the dates you have selected are available for your stay and will contact you in case anything should be amended. Then within 48 hours, you will receive your booking confirmation and an invoice with the details of the language trip, programme chosen, any special requirements and method of transport selected for arrival and departure.



## 5 Payment

A payment of 10% of the total invoice or a minimum fee of € 250/CHF 200 (whichever is more) will be required before you receive the booking confirmation. The remaining payment would be due 4 weeks before your start date unless you need to apply for a visa. In this case, the whole payment would be needed before your visa appointment at the embassy.



## 6 Apply for a visa (if required)

Should you require an official letter of invitation from Alpadia in order to apply for a visa, we will prepare such a letter for the Swiss, French or German embassy in your country upon receipt of payment. Please let us know whether you require such a letter.



## 7 Student Portal

Students will receive personal credentials to access their own session on the Alpadia student portal (scan the QR code to download). In this portal you will be able to find:

**The online placement test**, which needs to be taken latest 4 weeks before arrival at camp.

**The pre-arrival information:** All details about your course, accommodation and anything related to your arrival.

**The travel details form**, in case you have booked a transfer with us or an accommodation. And more...



## 8 Welcome on board!

Your journey at Alpadia starts here!

## Booking with your local agency

If our school has been recommended to you by an agency, please hand in your registration form to the agent, who will attend to all other formalities for you. The agency will forward your enrolment to us and answer any questions you may have.

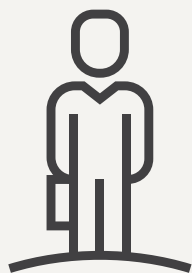


# Work and Study

## Language Immersion Programme

**From accommodation to activities, excursions to events, we make sure our students get the most out of their immersion experience with us.**

- We provide students the opportunity to live with a local family or in a shared student apartment in order to achieve the most exposure to the foreign language and culture
- Students can choose from a variety of after-class activities and excursions where practising the learned language is strongly encouraged and new friendships are forged
- With several options for language learning combined with professional employment, work internships, volunteering and university preparation, we can guarantee experiences that help students acquire and thoroughly develop their language skills in a professional or educational environment



### Languages and work experience

#### Expand your professional development and your CV

Learning a language followed by employment is a sure way to excel and develop your language skills to the max. We will help you write your CV, apply for jobs and prepare you for your interview. With our network of local partners, we can assist you to attract the right employers for your skillset.

**Requirements:** Min. B2 level – Open to 18+ years old, EEA and Swiss citizens, residents, or working holiday visa holders. Min. 6 weeks of Standard 20 course to begin work placement. Begins every Monday / Registration min. 4 weeks in advance.



### Languages and internship

#### Experience a professional environment while expanding your knowledge

This programme allows you to put into practice and thoroughly implement the language skills acquired during your course with us, while gaining valuable work experience.

**Requirements:** Min. B2 level – Open to 18+ years old, EEA and Swiss citizens, residents, or working holiday visa holders. Min. 6 weeks of Standard 20 course to an internship in Switzerland and Germany and min. 12 weeks of Standard 20 in France. Begins every Monday / Registration min. 4 weeks in advance.



### Languages and volunteering

#### Develop your sense of community

This programme allows you to contribute your time to a worthy cause while applying and fine-tuning your language skills. With a variety of options available, you can gain valuable experience with the learned language and experience a temporary professional activity within a non-profit organisation. See next page for more details.

**Requirements:** Min. B1 level – Open to 18+ years old, EEA and Swiss citizens, residents, or working holiday visa holders. Min. 6 weeks of Standard 20 course to begin volunteer project. Begins every Monday / Registration min. 4 weeks in advance.



# Languages and Volunteering

## Enjoy sharing your experience and skills!

We believe in active citizenship. It depends on us to make the world a better place for all. Through education and engagement, contribution and community, we inspire our futures and those of the new generation. Available in Germany, France and Switzerland.

## Volunteer Programmes Per Destination

**Active citizenship is about donating our time and skills to benefit the community, contributing to making this world a better place for all. Alpadia partners with reputable organisations that are dedicated to support both the volunteers and non-profit associations to meet their needs.**

### Lyon

#### French courses + volunteering in France

"France Bénévolat" is a national network dedicated to welcoming and guiding volunteers through the selection of options available. We help volunteer candidates to connect with non-profit organisations, enabling them to find adequate missions based on their interests, skills, localisation and the time they are willing to contribute.

Examples of missions include tutoring, social work, meal preparation, administrative support, etc.



[www.francebenevolat.org](http://www.francebenevolat.org)

### Montreux

#### French courses + volunteering in Switzerland

Alpadia Montreux cooperates with "Bénévolat Vaud". Supported by the Canton of Vaud, "Bénévolat-Vaud's" mission is to develop and support associations, volunteering and mutual aid in the canton of Vaud. The organisation acts as a link between people who wish to donate their time and associations that are looking for volunteers to develop their activities.

Examples of missions include being an activity leader of creative, cultural and leisure activities, and working in public relations & media.



[www.benevolat-vaud.ch](http://www.benevolat-vaud.ch)

### Berlin

#### German courses + volunteering in Germany

Alpadia Berlin partners with two organisations, "Caritas Germany", the largest welfare association in Germany and "Give Something Back to Berlin", an award-winning project platform and network fostering community integration, intercultural dialogue and participation among Berlin's diverse migrant populations.

Examples of missions include social activities, language teaching, cooking, music school, etc.



[www.caritas-germany.org](http://www.caritas-germany.org)



[gsbtb.org](http://gsbtb.org)

### Freiburg

#### German courses + volunteering in Germany

Alpadia Freiburg partners with "Caritas Germany", the biggest charitable organisation in Germany.

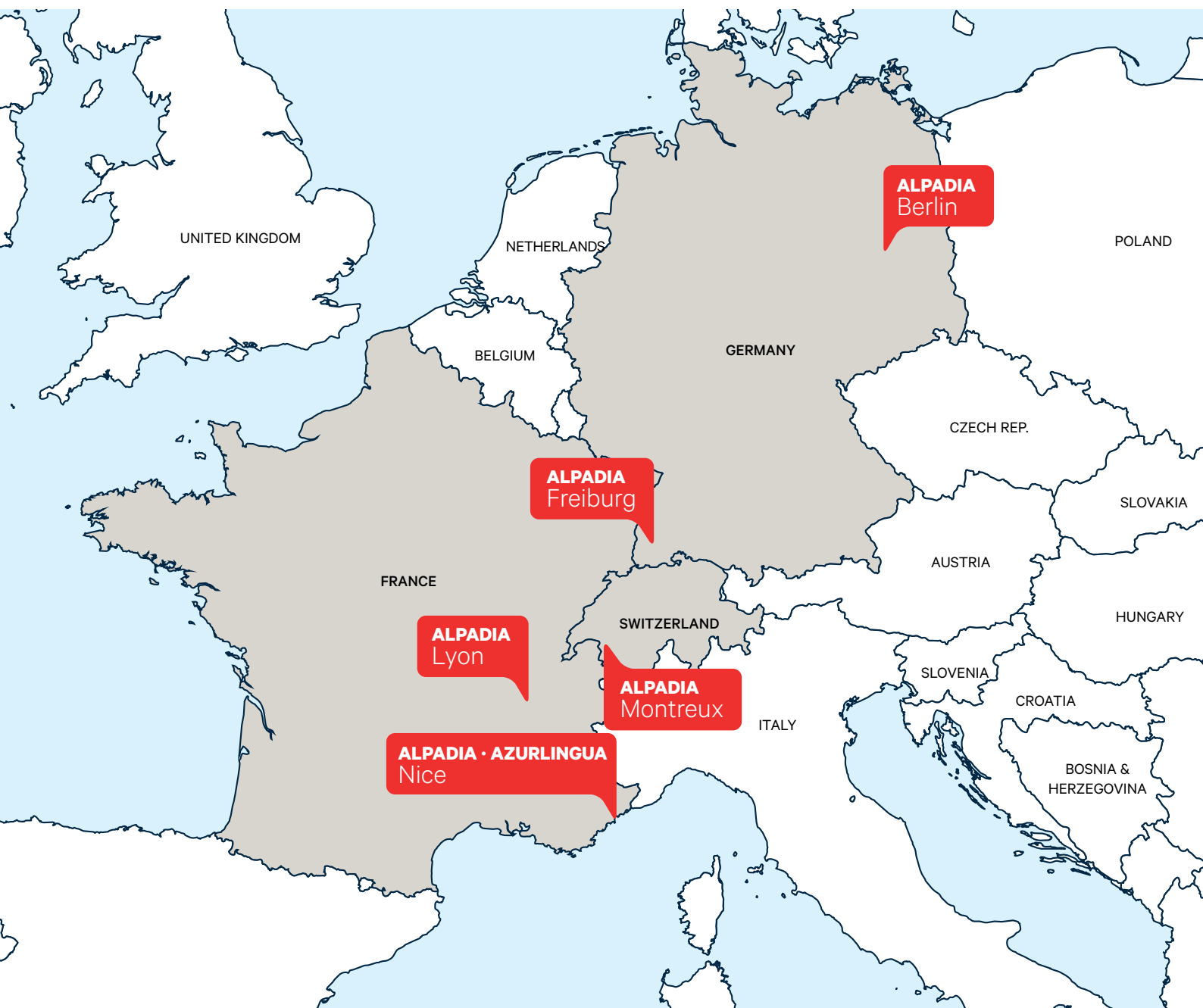
With over 500'000 volunteers in the country, they assist around 12 million people in Germany every year!

Examples of missions include community service, assisting seniors, training and integration, refugee aid, etc.



[www.caritas-germany.org](http://www.caritas-germany.org)

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