

FACT SHEET EPSCI, BBA ESSEC 2010/2011

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FAQs and practical help: <http://www.essec.edu/student-life/studying-in-france.html>

ACADEMIC CALENDAR : Fall Semester 2010

Mandatory Arrival days: All students: 24th + 25th August 2010

Orientation session: All students: 26/27th August 2010

Exams : 13-17th December 2010

DEADLINES FOR FALL SEMESTER 2010

Academic Application: 1st June 2010
Housing Application : 1st June 2010

ACADEMIC CALENDAR: **Spring Semester 2011**
Arrival day: 23rd February 2011
Orientation session: 24-25th February 2011
Exams: 14-17th June 2011

DEADLINES FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2011 – to be confirmed

Academic Application: mid November 2010
Housing Application: mid November 2010

ONLINE NOMINATIONS

- Fall Semester: mid-March-Mid April
- Spring Semester: mid October

Coordinators will be sent information and the exact dates nearer the time.

INFORMATION PACKAGES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD:

- Fall Semester: 29th April
- Spring Semester: mid-October

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR YOUR ACADEMIC ENROLMENT:

- EPSCI Learning Agreement
- EPSCI Application Form
- 2 identity photos
- EU students: Copy of passport
- Non-EU students: Birth certificate translated into French by a sworn translator

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR YOUR HOUSING APPLICATION:

- ALEGESSEC Membership form + photo
- Housing contract
- Deposit transfer form
- EU students: Copy of passport
- Non-EU students: Birth certificate translated into French by a sworn translator

Fall 2010 courses can be selected from:

All Fall courses represent 3 ECTS and 30 contact hours except for Financial Management: 3 ECTS and 15 contact hours; and Entrepreneurship: 6 ECTS and 45 contact hours.

Management Sciences and Techniques

- Financial Management English
- European Economics* English
- International Accounting Standards - IFRS Consolidation English
- International Cash Flow Management French

Marketing and International Trade Development

- International Marketing English
- Approach to International Markets: Latin America, Asia, North America French
- Sales Force Management Eng/Fr
- Purchasing Management Eng/Fr

Economic and Legal Environment

- Human Resource Management French
- Union Européenne* French

Personal Development and Entrepreneurial Skills

- Entrepreneurship English

Business Environment (Courses on Offer for International Exchange Students Only)

- Geopolitics English
- European Economics English
- European Union (French only, but language adapted for learners of Fr.) French
- French Civilization (French only, as above) French

Foreign Language Courses

- Beginning French language
- Business French language (three different levels)
- Beginning Spanish
- Advanced Business English

**These courses are for International exchange students only.*

Other languages are available, but places cannot be guaranteed for International Students. Please note that they represent 1 ECTS credit, and 15 hours of face-to-face teaching.

Spring 2011 courses can be selected from:

	Language	ECTS
<i>Marketing and International Trade Development</i>		
Area Studies, Middle and Far East, PECO, S. East Asia	French	3
Negotiation Skills Workshop	Eng/Fr	2
Intercultural Marketing	English	3
International Marketing	Eng/Fr	3
Communication Policy	Eng/Fr	3
Business to Business and Services Marketing	Eng/Fr	3
E-Marketing	English	3
<i>Economic and Legal Environment</i>		
Macroeconomics	French	3
Sustainable Development and Societal Responsibility workshop	French	2
European Union	French	3

European Economics English 3

Strategy

Strategic management Eng/Fr 3
Organizational Behavior Eng/Fr 3
International Business Simulation (Global View) English 2

Management Sciences and Techniques

Financial Markets Eng/Fr 3
Financial Engineering Eng 3
Applied Mathematics Eng/Fr 3

Entrepreneurship

Entrepreneurship (workshop) Eng 6

Logistics

Supply Chain Management Eng/Fr 3
Information Systems Management Eng/Fr 3
E.R.P. Eng 3

Business Environment (Courses for International Exchange Students Only)

French Civilisation Eng/Fr 3
Geopolitics Eng 3

Foreign Language Courses

Beginning French language 3
Business French language (three different levels) 3
Lower intermediate Spanish 3
Advanced Business English 3

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GRADING AT EPSCI

Courses are graded 40% on continuous assessment and 60% on the final exam.

At EPSCI, the grading scale is from 1 to 20. 10 is considered the minimum pass mark. In practice, grades range from 7 to 16.

ECTS Grade	EPSCI Grade	Definition
A	16-20	EXCELLENT : Outstanding performance with only minor errors
B	14-15.99	VERY GOOD : above the average standard but with some errors
C	12-13.99	GOOD : generally sound work with a number of notable errors
D	11- 11.99	SATISFACTORY : fair but with significant shortcomings
E	10-10.99	SUFFICIENT: performances meets the minimum criteria
F	0-9.99	FAIL : considerable further work is required

TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION PROPOSED & PRICES: ALEGESSEC RESIDENCES

EPSCI can accommodate students in one of two residences, *Foyer des Linandes* or *Foyer de Cergy-Le Haut*. These residences are located off-campus, but they are owned and run by the Groupe Essec and both provide a safe environment and a high standard of accommodation. Rooms are about 18 m², with all the necessary furniture (bed, closet, etc.) and electrical appliances. Each room has a broadband Internet connection.

A private shuttle bus service also operates between the two residences and the ESSEC campus on weekdays in the mornings and evenings.

Please consult the ESSEC website to find out more about the rooms available in these two residences : <http://www.essec.edu/study-international-business-school/housing-students/cergy/essec-student-residences>

For the 2009-2010 academic year, rent is **595 euros** per month without the APL Housing subsidy*, or this could be reduced with the APL Housing subsidy*, and is paid by standing order between the 5th and the 10th of each month. A fee of 15 euros per month is included for the new high-speed internet connection. In order to reserve accommodation, a deposit of **895 Euros** must be paid by bank transfer when the housing application form is sent.

***APL Housing subsidy: Who is eligible for the APL Housing subsidy?**

Students in France are entitled to a housing subsidy which can substantially reduce their monthly rent. International students may also benefit from this housing subsidy, but in order to qualify, you must fulfil certain conditions and be able to apply for a Carte de Séjour (residence permit). The Alessec will require proof of your eligibility for the 'APL' subsidy as soon as you arrive to register. Your eligibility depends on your nationality, so please read these details carefully:

- Students who are nationals of one of the member states of the European Union: on proof of nationality (i.e. a valid European Union passport), you are eligible for the APL subsidy if you fulfil certain financial conditions.
- Students from non EU countries: you must be able to apply for and obtain a '*carte de séjour*' in order to qualify for the APL. This means that you must obtain a visa which does **NOT** state '*dispense de carte de séjour*'. In the past, students from countries such as the USA, Mexico, Singapore, Korea and Canada have had difficulty in obtaining a visa which enables them to apply for the '*carte de séjour*', especially if they are only coming to study at EPSCI for one semester. The Alessec lists exactly what they need in the "Housing Pack" or consult the FAQs (link given on the next page).

BUDGET:

French Sécurité Sociale (Medical Care)

International students who enrol in a French educational institution **for more than 3 months as of 1st October of the academic year** are **legally obliged** to enrol in the **French Social Security Healthcare system**, known as '*La Sécurité Sociale*'.

Please note that this is a ruling recently imposed by the French government and not by EPSCI.

The enrolment costs **around 195€** and can be paid in cash or by credit card when you arrive at EPSCI. This amount is revised annually in August.

The rules are different depending on your nationality and the length of your stay in France:

EU students: are covered by the European Health Card.

Non EU students:

- **Fall semester:** one-semester exchange students must have their own Private Medical Insurance as they do not qualify for the French *Sécurité Sociale*.

- **Spring semester, Full Year students or Double Degree non-EU students:** mandatory enrolment in the French Social Security system, which costs around 195 euros (**this price is revised annually in August*).

Accommodation

2009-2010: around 2400€ for the whole semester without APL (including high-speed Internet access), plus the deposit, which will be returned (minus the 350 euro administrative fee and membership) at the end of the semester on condition that the room is left in perfect condition.

Textbooks/School Supplies

Purchasing textbooks at EPSCI is not essential. Most professors provide the necessary reading materials in class, in the form of handouts, PowerPoint slides or readable CD's. However, there may be some classes where textbooks are needed but students can share the cost of textbooks. Notebooks, pens, etc, can be purchased in France at no great cost. Count on a maximum of 100 Euros for stationery and textbooks.

Transportation

Transport from the residences to and from campus is free if you use the shuttle buses. A train ticket into Paris and back to Cergy costs about 7 Euros. Students can also purchase monthly passes, costing approximately 100 Euros per month, which may be worth it depending on the number of trips one plans to take to Paris. In addition, any RER (suburban train) ticket one purchases is also a valid ticket for the local bus in Cergy, which can be useful when returning to the residence from school, or from the supermarket.

Food/Groceries

You can count on a weekly shopping bill of around 50-60 Euros. There are supermarkets located within walking distance of the residences.

ACTIVITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: EPSCI World Wide Welcome students' association organizes various activities for International Students, including a welcome lunch and there is usually a trip to Paris after the Orientation Session. In the past, they have organized shopping trips to Paris, a trip to Paris' most famous flea market, parties at one of the capital's most fashionable clubs and various international evenings. There is a very active students' union at EPSCI and there are events most weeks.

Please look at our website for the course catalogue, more information and FAQs:

<http://www.epsci.com>

FAQs: <http://www.essec.edu/study-international-business-school/faq>