

<b>Host Institution:</b>	Universite de Paris-Sud (Paris XI)
<b>Erasmus Code:</b>	F PARIS011
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.u-psud.fr">www.u-psud.fr</a>
	<p>The University of Paris-Sud 11 is the largest campus in France. It has five locations, namely in the towns of Orsay, Sceaux, Chatenay-Malabry, Cachan, and Kremlin-Bicêtre, all in the southern suburbs of Paris. The university has nearly 30,000 students enrolled 43% of whom are enrolled in general education courses and 57% are enrolled in professional training courses. There are 4,800 international students enrolled from 132 different countries.</p> <p>Paris, cosmopolitan capital of France is home to approximately 2.2 million people living in the small central city and another 8 million people in the suburbs. Paris has the reputation of being the most beautiful and romantic of all cities, brimming with historic associations and remaining vastly influential in the realms of culture, art, fashion, food and design. Paris has a maritime climate with cool winters and warm summers, the average temperature in January is 6°C and in July is 23°C.</p>
<b>Location:</b>	<p><u>By plane:</u> Paris is served by three international airports; Charles de Gaulle International Airport, Orly International Airport, and Beauvais (Aéroport de Paris Beauvais)</p> <p><u>By train:</u> Eurostar is one of the most popular ways of travelling to Paris, it will take you directly to Paris' Gare du Nord.</p> <p><u>By Bus:</u> Eurolines, a transEurope bus company offers trips to and from Paris. Generally the prices offered by Eurolines are significantly cheaper than the train.</p>
<b>Costs:</b>	
<b>Housing:</b>	<p>(Information taken from Paris-Sud's Foreign Exchange Student Guide) Rooms in University halls are usually only allocated to students qualifying for social assistance grants. However, the university has managed to obtain the right to reserve a small number of rooms for students on exchange programmes. You should be aware that the university halls are old buildings, especially the halls at Antony, which date from 1959. There have been very few improvements and renovations since their construction and they are not particularly comfortable.</p> <p>For private accommodation prices start from around €350 per month for a room, to around €425 per month for a studio flat. You will be asked for the first month in advance, together with one month's rent as a deposit and agency or signing fees. Although the total cost is relatively high this option is by far the most comfortable. You may also have the right to housing benefit (Allocation Logement; ALS) which should reduce costs, see following link for more details:</p> <p><a href="http://www.u-psud.fr/modules/resources/download/default/Relations%20internationales/StudentGuide%20Version%20web%20June%202006.pdf">http://www.u-psud.fr/modules/resources/download/default/Relations%20internationales/StudentGuide%20Version%20web%20June%202006.pdf</a></p>
<b>Insurance:</b>	<p>It is advisable to take out insurance for your stay abroad especially if you are going to be taking laptops with you.</p> <p>You must apply for an EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) which has replaced the old E111 form. If you already have an EHIC make sure that it is valid for the length of you stay abroad.</p>
<b>Academic:</b>	
<b>ECTS Credit System:</b>	<p>Paris-Sud's ECTS information can be found using the following link:</p> <p><a href="http://www.u-psud.fr/fr/les_ formations.html">http://www.u-psud.fr/fr/les_ formations.html</a></p>
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<b>Useful Websites:</b>	<p>Erasmus website: <a href="http://www.britishcouncil.org/erasmus">www.britishcouncil.org/erasmus</a> Paris' tourist information: <a href="http://en.parisinfo.com/">http://en.parisinfo.com/</a></p>