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1. AN EXCELLENT SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION RESPONSIVE TO EVERY NEED
The French system of higher education is based on a network of 3,500 public and private institutions found throughout the country.

2. PROGRAMS FUNDED AND GUARANTEED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT
The French government pays a very large share of the real cost of the education of every student: €10,000 to €15,000 per student per year.

3. A WIDE CHOICE OF PROGRAMS TAUGHT IN ENGLISH
Explore more than 1,500 academic programs taught in English at http://taughtie.campusfrance.org.

4. ONE OF THE WORLD’S TOP ECONOMIC POWERS
A world economic power, France ranks third in Europe in gross domestic product and is the second-largest European market (IMF 2018, Eurostat 2015).

5. A CERTIFICATION SYSTEM THAT HIGHLIGHTS EXCELLENCE IN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES
The “Bienvenue en France” label recognizes educational institutions that provide high-quality support services for international students.

6. AN ATTRACTIVE DESTINATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
France ranks fourth in the world in hosting international students—after the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia (UNESCO 2016).

7. A PLEASANT AND STIMULATING ENVIRONMENT IN THE HEART OF EUROPE
Situated right in the heart of Europe, France is the world’s top tourist destination in terms of numbers of visitors (WTO 2018).

8. AN INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE
French is the world’s fifth most widely spoken language, with 300 million speakers. It is the most studied language in the world after English. French is the world’s #3 business language and the #2 language for international news (OIF 2018).

9. THE FRENCH LIFESTYLE
In France one finds more than forty thousand monuments and protected sites, 41 cultural treasures appearing on UNESCO’s list of world heritage sites, eight thousand museums, two thousand cinemas, and almost five hundred festivals.

10. ADVANCED RESEARCH
France is second in world in Fields Medals (mathematics), fourth in Nobel prizes, and second in applications for European patents (European Patent Office 2017). 42% of the doctoral candidates in France are international students.