Short professionally oriented programs are an important part of the French system of higher education. The 2-year Diplôme Universitaire de Technologie (DUT) is earned in 113 university-based institutes of technology known as IUTs that provide training in 24 different manufacturing and service specialties. The range of subjects taught, the selectivity of admissions, the close involvement of economic and social partners, and the excellent employment prospects of graduates make the DUT a program of excellence recognized throughout the world and chosen by more than 115,000 students every year.
THE 24 SPECIALTY AREAS OF THE DUT

INDUSTRIAL SECTOR

> Industrial and maintenance engineering
> Packaging
> Quality, manufacturing logistics, and organization

CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY, PHYSICS

> Chemistry
> Biological engineering
> Chemical engineering, process engineering
> Measurement
> Materials sciences and engineering

ELECTRONICS, ELECTRICITY, COMPUTER SCIENCE, MECHANICS

> Computer science
> Electrical engineering and industrial computing
> Mechanical engineering and computer-aided manufacturing
> Multimedia and Internet
> Networks and telecommunications

PUBLIC WORKS, ENERGY, SECURITY

> Civil engineering - sustainable construction
> Heat and energy engineering
> Hygiene, safety, environment

SERVICE SECTOR

ADMINISTRATION, BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT

> Administrative and commercial management for organizations
> Business management and public administration
> Logistics and transportation management
> Techniques of commercialization

LEGAL AND SOCIAL SERVICE CAREERS

> Legal careers
> Social service careers

INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION

> Information, communication
> Statistics and informatics for decision making
DUT graduates who wish to continue their academic work may opt to enroll in a Licence professionnelle program or take a business school entrance examination. Holders of an industrial DUT also have the option of transferring into a school of engineering.

**INTERNATIONAL**

From an international perspective, various characteristics of DUT programs set them apart among postsecondary vocational programs: their university affiliation, the wide range of short programs covering all sectors of economic activity, strong involvement of economic and social partners, and selective admissions.

- **ADIUT**, the association of IUT directors is a member of the European Association of Institutions in Higher Education (EURASHE, www.eurashe.eu) and participates in the building of a community of European postsecondary institutions specializing in technology and the applied sciences. It also manages programs to integrate international students into IUTs.
  - ASIUT China is responsible for welcoming Chinese students into DUT programs: [http://adiut-program.com](http://adiut-program.com)
  - ASIUT Vietnam performs similar functions for Vietnamese students: [www.asiut-org.com](http://www.asiut-org.com)

- Campus France coordinates the Malaysia Program, which enables students from the University of Kuala Lumpur who have completed a special 2-year program (16 months in Malaysia and 4 months in France), to earn a DUT from a partner IUT.

  Campus France office in Kuala Lumpur:
  [kulualumpur@campusfrance.org](mailto:kulualumpur@campusfrance.org)

**EARNING ANOTHER DEGREE AFTER THE BTS**

DUT graduates who wish to continue their academic work may opt to enroll in a Licence professionnelle program or take a business school entrance examination. Holders of an industrial DUT also have the option of transferring into a school of engineering.
The Diplôme Universitaire de Technologie (DUT) is a French national postsecondary diploma that has been harmonized with the European higher education degree ladder. It carries 120 transferable academic credits under the European Credit Transfer System.

Students are expected to work from 35 to 40 hours each week, divided into lectures, labs, sections, and demonstrations by active professionals in the field.

DUT programs are open to holders of a French baccalauréat (technological, vocational, or general) or equivalent foreign credential. The specialization of the Baccalauréat or equivalent is generally expected to correspond to the DUT specialty to which the student is applying.

Admission is very selective. Decisions are made on the basis of the student’s academic record. Some programs also require tests and an individual interview.

Students who have already completed 2 years of post-secondary education (BTS, another DUT, or the first 2 years of a Licence program) may earn some DUTs in a single “special year.” About 50 different IUTs offer this option in one or more specialty areas.