Established in 1990, ICES is a private catholic University with an enrolment of over 1100 students. ICES is known throughout France for its academic excellence and personal tutoring and welcomes students from all over France and the world, thanks to more than 75 partners universities. Over 300 visiting professors encourage our students to go beyond their previous boundaries in what they already know and what they’ve already seen.

ICES offers official State diplomas (LMD).

◆ MAIN PROGRAMMES OF STUDY
  - English Language and Literature
  - History
  - French Literature
  - Law
  - Biology
  - Mathematics, Physics
  - Political Sciences
  - Economics
  - Catholic Studies
  - International relations
  - Church-State relations

◆ RESEARCH
ICES has a research center (CRICES), organizing symposiums and colloquiums regularly during the year. All students can attend these events.

◆ STRENGTHS
  - small groups
  - personal tutoring
  - specific programs for international students: Buddy program, orientation week, classes of French as a second language, fieldtrips...
  - not very expensive city
  - accessible campus in the city center, good facilities and public transportation
  - residence close to the campus
  - high success ratio: 89%

◆ LOCATION
ICES is located in the very center of the city of La Roche sur Yon, historical city founded by Napoleon. La Roche sur Yon is located in a region called ‘Vendée’ which is very rich with history and culture. It is city which is not very expensive and offers ideal facilities for student life. The Atlantic coast and the seaside is only 30 minutes by train. You can reach Paris in 3 hours by train and Nantes airport is only at 40 minutes with connections to the main cities in France and Europe. La Roche sur Yon is a great starting point to discover Europe.