Located in the very centre of Bordeaux in air-conditioned premises, the Alliance Française welcomes more than 2000 foreigners from 100 different countries each year. The Alliance Française Bordeaux Aquitaine is part of an international network with more than 800 establishments throughout 132 countries. Awarded the Français Qualité Fle badge with 3 stars, delivered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, of Higher Education and Culture, the Alliance Française Bordeaux Aquitaine provides intensive or extensive French courses, which conform to the European Framework of Reference for Foreign Languages (CEFRL) and are taught by qualified and experienced teachers. The adopted pedagogy is communicative and active with the use of interactive boards allowing quick and effective progress. The teaching method is ALTER EGO+. Assistance is provided in finding host families or hotel accommodations. Weekly cultural outings are organized. All French courses are run under the brand of A Learn French and Surf® program for young people is offered in Biarritz between June and August. Participants spend two weeks with full board accommodation a host family.

◆ MAIN PROGRAMMES OF STUDY
  - 20 hrs/week plan: General French Intensive
  - 4 hrs/week plan (evenings): General French Tutor method
  - Preparation for the DELF and DALF exams
  - Private tuition
  - French reading and listening: 5h/week
  - French listening and speaking: 4h/week
  - Course in French for academic success (August/September)
  - Teaching courses for French teachers (2 weeks): This course concerns foreign French teachers (primary and secondary education) who begin their careers or wish to update their classroom practices. Objectives: developing the pragmatics for teachers who teach French as a foreign by classroom and workshops. Reflection on the teaching activities.

◆ STRENGTHS
  - The Alliance Française was awarded the Français Qualité Fle badge with 3 stars, delivered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  - Qualified and experienced teachers
  - Premises equipped with interactive boards and a computer room
  - French language courses established in conjunction with the Common European Framework of Reference for languages (CEFRL)
  - DELF and DALF examination center
  - Courses begin every Monday, except for beginners. The school is open all year-round.
  - Assessment at the end of a session to evaluate the student's level of competence
  - Accommodation service in host families or self-catering residence
  - A program of 25 cultural activities is offered.
  - The Alliance Française is located in the center of Bordeaux, city included on the UNESCO world heritage list
  - The Alliance Française is a member of the EUNIC Bordeaux Aquitaine. It is a partnership of European national institutions promoting their culture abroad (Alliance Française, Alighieri, Goethe-Institut Bordeaux, Institut Camões, and Instituto Cervantes)
  - TCF test center

◆ LOCATION
Bordeaux, a UNESCO world heritage city, is located in southwestern France in the Aquitaine region. The world's wine capital lies just minutes from the Atlantic ocean, at the edge of Europe's largest forest, and only a few hours from the Pyrenees (skiing, hiking) and the Dordogne (prehistoric caves, Renaissance castles). Bordeaux is a major university city served by an international airport, major highways, and high-speed trains.