



**L'ÉCOLE DE
DESIGN**

Nantes Atlantique

Postgraduate Studies - Master's Degree
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Art and Design - Preparatory Class

France ▸ Benin ▸ Brazil ▸ Canada ▸ China



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GAME CHANGER
DESIGNER.**

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L'ÉCOLE DE DESIGN NANTES ATLANTIQUE

Among the best international design schools in the world.

Recognized by the French Ministry of Higher Education, it offers various programs from undergraduate (Bachelor's degree) to postgraduate studies (Master's degree). The school has a unique vision, considering design as a strategic discipline for companies to leverage social, technological and environmental innovation. It has developed Design Labs combining teaching, experimental research and support to innovation.

L'École de design Nantes Atlantique is strongly connected with the professional world (companies, public administrations, associations) in its teaching approach. This solid link allows for the professionalization of future young graduates. It takes many forms: internships, apprenticeship contracts, work on real projects in partnership with companies or local authorities, lectures by professionals, conferences, and the presence of representatives from the business world on degree juries.

L'École offers international students the opportunity to experience interculturality and to place their design practice in a strong international context through contact with students of different nationalities. A designer must be able to open up to others and to their culture in order to feed his or her curiosity and creativity, qualities that are essential to the practice of his or her profession. Our school allows its students to cultivate this openness to the world through international programs and opportunities, in France and abroad.



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OUR PROGRAMS

Undergraduate Studies - Bachelor's Level Degree

National Diploma in Fine Arts, Crafts and Design - DN MADE



This undergraduate program in one year welcomes international students who have completed two years of design studies and wish to obtain a French Diploma, recognized by the French Ministry of Higher Education.

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- › **Digital Media Design**, specifically tailored to students with an academic background in graphic design, UX/UI design or multimedia design,
- › **Industrial Products**, specifically tailored to students with an academic background in product design or industrial design.
- › **Retail And Interior Design** specifically tailored to students with an academic background in space design, interior design or scenography,
- › **Circular Fashion**, specifically tailored to students with an academic background in Fashion, with a major in Design and Innovation and a minor in Materials.

Postgraduate Studies - Master's Degree

International design strategy



This postgraduate program is specially tailored for international students who hold a Bachelor's degree in design or equivalent.

This postgraduate program in two years entirely taught in English encourages the exploration of French culture in an applied interdisciplinary context, and offers a great opportunity to carry out design projects in a multicultural context. It allows a good integration and a better approach of the methodology as taught at school through design practices.

It welcomes students from various nationalities and design backgrounds. It encourages a cross-cultural approach to design and collaborations that will enhance the creativity of the students.

Students will learn how to manage a project from the definition of the design problem to the final presentation in front of a client, organize their work and their team efficiently, and thus hone their skills through inspiring design projects. At the end of the program they will be able to help companies develop their innovation strategies in a global world. From design thinking to design doing.

The International Design Strategy programs offered by L'École de design Nantes Atlantique leads to the master's level degree (Diplôme de design Bac +5) certified by the French Ministry of Higher Education and the award of « Grade de master ».

A TOP INTERNATIONAL DESIGN SCHOOL

Key figures

1 770

Students
including

320

Apprentices

4 300

Alumni

46

Nationalities

1 000

Corporate
partners

120

Academic
partners

600

Learners in executive
education each year

7

Locations in France
and internationally



A PRESTIGIOUS DESIGN SCHOOL

Ready to share this pride with you

L'École de design Nantes Atlantique is regularly cited as one of the best design schools in rankings and charts established by independent national and international organizations and media, in the various specialties taught at the school (Industrial Design, UI/UX Design, Interior Architecture, Graphic Design, Fashion Design).



• Top 15 schools recognized by the French Council of Interior Architects (CFAI)

1st

Best Postgraduate
Program in Design, in France
Eduniversal ranking 2024

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QS World University
Rankings 2024
Global university rankings based on academic
reputation, employment reputation
and research impact.

2^e

Best Interaction Design school
in France (UX / UI Design)
According to the French association of
interactive designer's 2027 enquiry



THE SCHOOL'S ENVIRONMENT

An extraordinary playground

L'école de design Nantes Atlantique in the heart of the creative district

The school is located in the city center of Nantes, in the heart of the creative district. This unique campus offers a working area of 11,600m², in a building specially designed to meet the school's needs and which represents the largest real estate investment in France in the last ten years in the field of design.

« The students are eager to discover the different workshops such as the spaces dedicated to ceramics, metalwork, wood or the digital and photo studios. It's a real pleasure to be able to work in an environment of this calibre. »

The school provides access to all the tools and equipments necessary for creation and experimentation:

- › **700 m² model-making workshop:** machine workshops, ceramics, resin molding, flexible materials, painting booth, publishing and silk-screening space, laser cutting and 3D printers.
- › **Studio for media production and digital experimentation:** motion capture, sound studio, virtual reality studio, photoshooting
- › **More than 120 computer workstations** in Mac and PC environments, and rooms equipped with Cintiq screens.
- › **A Learning Lab:** a space for educational experimentation and innovation for students and teaching teams.
- › **Design Labs** to connect Research, Pedagogy and Innovation.
- › **A conference room** (with 180 seats).
- › **Project studios** (with 20 to 40 seats).
- › **Visual arts rooms.**
- › **Classroom facilities for lectures.**



Visit the school
with us!

EMPLOYABILITY

A promise of professional opportunities

MASTER'S LEVEL GRADUATES



Some partner's references



THEY MADE IT AT L'ÉCOLE DE DESIGN

Designers journey



MARCELO COELHO

Lead Product Designer @Expedia Group, Paris

— alumni 2018 —

Marcelo Coelho is originally from Brazil. After a bachelor's degree in visual design in São Paulo and three years in a company as an interactive designer, Marcelo joined L'École de design Nantes Atlantique to follow a postgraduate program in our Digital Design Lab.

He defines himself as Product Designer in the way tech companies are using the term, and works as a lead Product Designer with a focus on UX and strategy for digital products for Expedia Group.



DANAE VELEZ

Interior Designer @IKEA, México

— alumni 2019 —

Danae completed a bachelor in Interior and architectural design at the University of Guanajuato, then joined L'École de design Nantes Atlantique to follow a postgraduate program.

After her internship at Atlantic Youth Creative Hubs: A European Project focused on environmental and educational issues, she joined IKEA Mexico as an interior designer and put her skills to create home furnishing solutions in the store that reflect the IKEA identity.



YANG BAI

Senior Industrial Designer @Kingfisher, Lille

— alumni 2009 —

After graduating from L'École de design Nantes Atlantique with a speciality in product design, Yang Bai became an integrated designer at Decathlon. Following his internship, he was hired by Tribord, Decathlon's nautical sports brand.

Since 2020, Yang Bai is working as a Senior Industrial Designer at Kingfisher on design strategy and a product design range for several retailers of trade tools, accessories and hardware products.

A WORLDWIDE DESIGN SCHOOL

The world opens up to you



L'École de design Nantes Atlantique has been awarded the Welcome to France label (*Bienvenue en France*), attesting to the quality of the welcome given to international students.

Understanding the culture of others allows our students to enrich their own culture and creativity.

• For several years, L'École de design Nantes Atlantique has chosen to establish itself all over the world.

It is located in :

- Shanghai & Hangzhou (China)
- São Paulo (Brazil)
- Montreal (Canada)
- Cotonou (Benin).

• It has also developed partnerships with more than a hundred international universities to encourage its students to immerse themselves internationally.

- The school's international programs also allow it to welcome international students each year, bringing great diversity and a wealth of culture and experience to the campus.

- In 2020, L'École de design Nantes Atlantique created the first design school in Africa, Africa Design School, in partnership with Sèmè City, the international city of innovation and knowledge.

- In 2022, L'École de design Nantes Atlantique has been chosen by one of the most prestigious Chinese art and design universities, the China Academy of Art (CAA) in Hangzhou, to create the first Sino-French design institute, the NACAA (Nantes Atlantique CAA).

The school is an active member of the Cumulus association, the first worldwide association of design schools, and is also a member of Campus France, in charge of promoting French higher education worldwide.





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ART AND DESIGN PREPARATORY CLASS

A cultural immersion program with L'École de design Nantes Atlantique's expertise - Program taught in French

This cultural adaptation class and opening to the different design professions has been specifically designed for French-speaking international students who wish to begin design studies in a program taught in French.

This Art and Design preparatory class allows students to explore the specificities of creation with courses in modes of expression, general culture and technical culture, and to discover the different design professions: Space Design, Graphic Design, Interactive Design and Product Design, while improving their level of French with courses in French as a foreign language.

This program also offers support in preparing for the entrance exams at L'École de design Nantes Atlantique or in the other most prestigious French schools.

This program is open to applicants holding a state diploma equivalent to the French baccalaureate. A French level equivalent to B2 assessed by a TCF1 or DELF2 test is required to join the program. After this class, students can pursue undergraduate studies.

COURSES OUTLINE

Courses: 700 h per year

GENERAL AND CULTURAL EDUCATION

- › English and French courses
- › Art History and Design
- › Western culture (visits, exhibitions, shows)

ARTISTIC EDUCATION AND EXPRESSION TOOLS

- › Colour drawing
- › Plastic creation
- › Expression tools
- › DTP

PROJECT

- › Design project methodology
- › Portfolio workshop + competition preparation

French as a Foreign Language Course

- › Optional - For students who have not validated a B2 level in French. Advanced French language courses for the validation of a B2 level. Taught by qualified teachers of French as a foreign language.





Prerequisites : A state diploma equivalent to the French baccalaureate and a French level equivalent to B2 assessed by a TCF1 or DELF2 test is required to join the program.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com



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NATIONAL DIPLOMA IN FINE ARTS, CRAFTS AND DESIGN - DN MADE

This undergraduate studies program in one year welcomes international students who have completed two years of design studies and wish to obtain a French Diploma, recognized by the French Ministry of Higher Education.

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- › **Digital Media Design**, specifically tailored to students with an academic background in graphic design, UX/UI design or multimedia design,
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CURRICULUM

COURSES OUTLINE

Courses: 816 h per year (24 hours of classes per week over 34 weeks, for a total of 816 hours).

- › The main objective of the 1st semester is research on a subject chosen by the student; this research is fed by the various courses and projects, and leads to a thesis presented at the end of the semester.
- › The 2nd semester is centered on a personal project, fostered by all the lessons and contributions of the semester. The project is presented during a defense at the end of the semester.



THE PROGRAM IS ORGANIZED AROUND 3 POLES

GENERAL LESSONS

- › Philosophy and Humanities

CROSS-DISCIPLINARY LESSONS

- › Tools for expression and creative exploration
- › Technology and Materials
- › Tools and digital language
- › English Language
- › Economic and legal context

Cross-curricular courses allow the acquisition of fundamental knowledge, knowledge tools and specific methods to the different sectors relating to the design field.

PRACTICAL & PROFESSIONAL LESSONS

- › Techniques and skills
- › Practical implementation of the project
- › Project communication and mediation
- › Workshops

Practical and professional lessons lead students to discover the different phases of a design project and allow them to acquire methodological tools, as well as technical and creative know-how.

Professionalization

- › Optional internship
- › Professionalization path and further learning

Optional classes (for exchange students)

- › French Language and Culture
- › Illustration or Wordpress
- › After Effects or Photography

See the details of the courses
on our website: lecolededesign.com

Find the admission procedures on page 46.

CIRCULAR FASHION DESIGN

One-year in an international class to validate the DN MADE in Fashion, with a major in Design and Innovation and a minor in Materials.



Workshop / Screen printing on Kimono

This year in the DN MADE Circular Fashion Design program, taught in English, offers students the chance to design and produce textiles, soft materials, textures, patterns and colours related to all areas of design: clothing and accessories, living spaces, objects, furniture, transport, etc. with a future-oriented focus on eco-design.

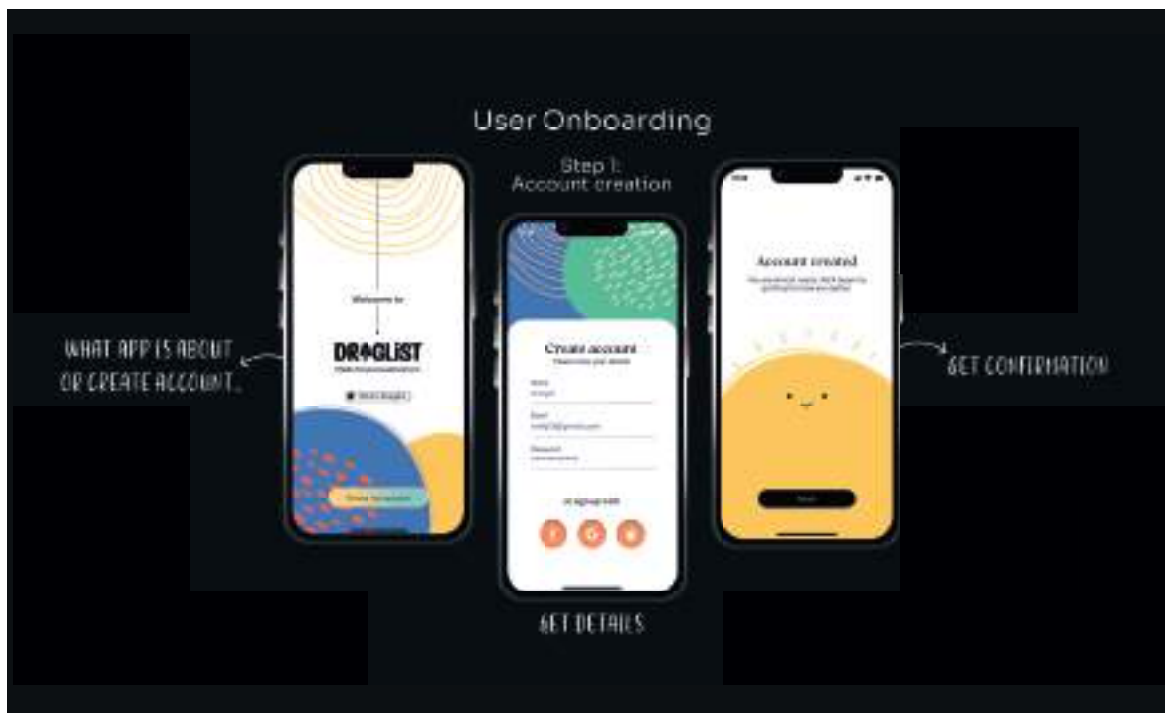
Specifically tailored to students with an academic background in Fashion, with a major in Design and Innovation and a minor in Materials.

Prerequisites : 2 years of undergraduate studies in fashion design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

DIGITAL MEDIA DESIGN

One-year in an international class to validate the DN MADE, Major in Digital Design, Interface Design and Digital Media specialty with a minor in Graphic Design.



Ila Bisht / Draglist / An app to overcome procrastination

Within this program, the digital designer is involved in the various phases of the design of a digital interactive product or service, from information architecture and scripting to the creation of mock-ups or functional prototypes, including the graphic definition of interfaces and the user experience.

Specifically tailored for students with an academic background in Graphic Design, UI/UX Design or Multimedia Design.

Prerequisites : 2 years of undergraduate studies in digital design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

RETAIL & INTERIOR DESIGN

One-year in an international class to validate the DN MADE, Major in Space Design, Residential Architecture and Retail specialty, with a minor Object.



Héloïse Mariani / Polo / Shared kitchen: A space of interaction and transmission of knowledge

This program proposes a specialization in the design of spaces in all fields: public or private, collective or individual, perennial or temporary; through projects concerning housing, commercial spaces, work or leisure spaces.

Specifically tailored for students with an academic background in Space Design, Interior Design or Scenography.

Prerequisites : 2 years of undergraduate studies in space design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS DESIGN

One-year in an international class to validate the DN MADE, Major in Object Design, Industrial Product Design specialty with a minor Materials



José Castelazo / Hope / An eco-responsible object to enhance coral survivability

This program offers a specialization in the fields of industrial design. Product design is a design activity concerning consumer goods (household appliances, cars, furniture, packaging, homeware, etc), as well as capital goods (professional equipment, tools, public transport, street furniture, etc.), whether they are manufactured on an industrial scale or by craft production.

Specifically tailored for students with an academic background in Product Design or Industrial Design.

Prerequisites : 2 years of undergraduate studies in product design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com



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LE DIPLÔME DE DESIGN BAC +5

A state-recognized master's degree

Is based on a five-year curriculum, divided into two parts: a 3-year bachelor level course combining creativity, collaboration and collective emulation and a 2-year master level course focusing on the strategic dimension of design with project management and a real transversality.

Throughout the five-year curriculum, the school prepares students to experiment, to fail and to try again, to discover the different design professions, to develop their ability to manage a global project, to acquire project management skills around socio-economic themes.

This degree allows students to acquire a first international experience, and the recognition of the degree offers interesting career development prospects in the short and medium term.



The Diplôme de design (Master's degree in design) is recognized by the French Ministry of Higher Education and Research since 2002, and confers the «Grade de Master».

This degree is also registered in the French directory for vocational qualifications (France Compétences) as a Level 7 Master's degree.



POSTGRADUATE STUDIES - MASTER'S DEGREE

Taught in French

These programs are open to students holding an undergraduate degree in design and a level B2 in French. These programs are also available through an apprenticeship program, more information available on our website.

During these two years of training, students, in intercultural groups, are required to work in project mode on problematic subjects around:

Care Design

› focusing on issues of care and attention to others with a participatory and inclusive approach.

City Design

› focusing on the rapid evolution of cities and territories.

Digital Design

› exploring the possibilities offered by digital innovation and its impact on our material and living environment.

Food Design

› focusing on issues related to the evolution of food systems.

Media Design

› exploring the hybridization of narratives mobilizing scenography, visual communication and Digital Media.



POSTGRADUATE STUDIES - MASTER'S DEGREE

International Design Strategy - Taught in French or English

This postgraduate program is specially tailored for international students who hold a Bachelor's degree in design or equivalent.

This postgraduate program in two years entirely taught in English encourages the exploration of French culture in an applied interdisciplinary context, and offers a great opportunity to carry out design projects in a multicultural context. It allows a good integration and a better approach of the methodology as taught at school through design practices.

It welcomes students from various nationalities and design backgrounds. It encourages a cross-cultural approach to design and collaborations that will enhance the creativity of the students.

Students will learn how to manage a project from the definition of the design problem to the final presentation in front of a client, organize their work and their team efficiently, and thus hone their skills through inspiring design projects. At the end of the program they will be able to help companies develop their innovation strategies in a global world. From design thinking to design doing.

The International Design Strategy programs offered by L'École de design Nantes Atlantique leads to the master's level degree (Diplôme de design Bac +5) certified by the French Ministry of Higher Education and the award of « Grade de master ».



General Course Outline

The postgraduate studies are completed over two years, divided into 4 semesters and follow the same framework.

SEMESTER 7: INTEGRATION, INTERNSHIP OR EXCHANGE

International and French students who did not attend undergraduate studies at L'École de design Nantes Atlantique, join the school for a 1st semester designed to assist them in adapting to their new cultural and study environment.

Students who completed their undergraduate studies at L'École de design Nantes Atlantique will spend their first semester abroad, either as an exchange student or on an internship.

All students enrolled in our International Studios are required to take an orientation seminar followed by an internship, preferably in Benin, Brazil, Canada, China or India, depending on the chosen program.

SEMESTER 8: TOPIC-RELATED PROJECTS

During this semester, students learn to manage complex design projects; to broaden their knowledge of the economic, social and cultural aspects of their chosen program; to create and to apply a methodology; and to prepare their final degree project, on a topic of their choice, but related to their field of studies.

Teaching is carried out in the form of projects in collaboration with industry partners, workshops, lectures, conferences and professional meetings.

SEMESTER 9: END OF STUDIES PROJECT AND DISSERTATION

Continuation and finalization of the final degree project, which brings together all of the professional skills acquired. This can be carried out in collaboration with either a partner company and/or research laboratory of a partner university.

Supervision is ensured by means of workshops lead by an appointed design consultant, who is accompanied occasionally by external contributors.

SEMESTER 10: INTERNSHIP

The study program is finalized with a four to six-month internship within a company, either in France or abroad.

Interns work as junior designers and are responsible for either an entire project, or part of a project.

OBTAINING THE DEGREE

Continuous assessment, final presentation «end-of-studies» and a TOEIC score of at least 800 points.

LANGUAGE COURSES

- › French courses are offered to non French-speaking students during the first 2 semesters.
- › English courses are offered to students who have not obtained a score of 800 points or higher in the TOEIC exam.
- › Mandarin Chinese courses are offered to students enrolled in the China Studio.
- › Portuguese courses are offered to students enrolled in the Brazil Studio.



LE STUDIO FRANCE

A unique two-year master's program specialized in International Design Strategy

Nantes, France
Taught in English



An immersive experience into the reality of design in France

Specifically tailored for international students who hold a bachelor degree in design or equivalent, the school offers a postgraduate program taught in english, in Nantes, France: International Design Strategy / Le Studio France. Within this program, students will work on projects linked to our 5 topics: **Care Design, City Design, Digital Design, Food Design, or Media Design.**

A truly multicultural program

Le Studio France welcomes students from various nationalities and design backgrounds. It encourages a cross-cultural approach to design and collaborations that will enhance the creativity of the students.

Design management

Managing a project from the definition of the design problem to the final presentation in front of a client, organizing your work and your team efficiently.

Students will have the opportunity to hone their skills through inspiring design projects. The goal is to prepare adaptable and well-rounded design professionals who can address a wide range of design projects in a fast-changing world.

An opportunity to update your skills

Part of the curriculum is composed of elective courses and projects that will enable students to customize courses to their needs. A variety of software courses, technical courses, soft skills development courses as well as design projects in different areas of design (care design, city design, digital design, food design, media design) are offered.

The first step towards your professional life

With several projects carried out every year in close collaboration with companies or institutions as well as a 4- to 6-month internship during the second year, international design strategy program is aimed at building up experience of real work situations in the design field. A one-year long end of study project and thesis will also allow students to better define their identity and values as designers.



Prerequisites : 3 years of undergraduate studies in design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

AFRICA STUDIO

A unique two-year master's program specialized in International Design Strategy

Cotonou, Benin
Taught in French



Discover the Beninese culture through a two-year postgraduate program, and obtain a French certified degree.

This program leads to a Master's degree in design, approved by the Ministry of Higher Education and Research. The program, spread over four semesters, each validated by 30 ECTS, begins with a minimum 13-week internship as a junior designer. The objective of this period of immersion in a company or agency is to highlight and broaden professional skills in the context of another culture, in addition to allowing a better understanding of social codes in the host country.

Themes rooted in African reality.

The Africa Studio's International Design Strategy program focuses primarily on themes inherent to the specific nature of development in West Africa. Thus, the projects carried out during the two years of the master's program are oriented towards the societal and ecological challenges that Africa must meet, as well as the digital transition, the digitalization of services, and access to culture.

Prerequisites : 3 years of undergraduate studies in design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

LE STUDIO MONTRÉAL

A unique two-year master's program specialized in International Design Strategy

Montreal, Canada
Taught in French



An international program focused on innovation and entrepreneurship.

This program leads to a Master's degree in design, approved by the Ministry of Higher Education and Research. Its objective is to immerse students in the world of technological entrepreneurship in order to understand how it works and its specific characteristics.

The Master's program, taught in French, is organized over two years of alternating courses at Studio Montreal and internships in companies, during which students are integrated into startups. With this international professional experience, students will then have the opportunity to complete their end of studies internship in Canada or anywhere else in the world.

A program conducted in partnership with Centech, a world-class incubator.

The students work and study in an international context and are hosted in a North American incubator: Le Centech, the 8th best incubator in the world, dedicated to deeptech companies with high growth potential, stands out in particular in the fields of medical technologies, microelectronics and other intelligent objects.

Prerequisites : 3 years of undergraduate studies in design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

BRAZIL STUDIO

A unique two-year master's program specialized in International Design Strategy

São Paulo, Brazil
Taught in English



Located in the heart of a city campus, this program trains students to become global players who can converse fluently in English and possibly even Portuguese, understanding Brazilian context better, and most of all, improve the ability to design for clients and employers from other cultures.

It is a living experience that will change its participants, often opening up unexpected, exciting international career opportunities.

This postgraduate program, leading to the master's level degree (Diplôme de design) certified by the Ministry of higher education, deals with topics related to social and environmental issues (mobility, health, education, food, access to energy, waste management) and its specific characteristics (high population density, multiculturalism, natural resources and local crafts...).

Beyond the acquisition of the professional design skills through the experimentation of project management and the experience of complexity, the aim of this program is to offer the opportunity for young graduates to begin an international career.

Prerequisites : 3 years of undergraduate studies in design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com

CHINA STUDIO

A unique two-year master's program specialized in International Design Strategy

Shanghai, China
Taught in English



Thanks to its vitality and recent evolution, Shanghai is a strategic location to develop a transcultural approach to design.

This program **taught in English** trains students to become global players who can converse fluently in English and possibly even local, Asian languages, understanding Chinese context better, and most of all, steep themselves in the ability to design for clients and employers from other cultures. It is a living experience that will change its participants, often opening up unexpected, exciting international career opportunities.

Throughout this course, students will learn to decipher the local behaviors and understand the Chinese market to offer a coherent project, adapted to users, with an anthropological approach to design.

Students conduct their master studies while perfecting their previously acquired design skills, and with a spirit of integration into the Chinese context. During applied projects conducted with local partner companies, students form interdisciplinary design teams to work on real assignments for Chinese clients.

Prerequisites : 3 years of undergraduate studies in design.

Admissions : candidature.lecolededesign.com



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STUDYING IN NANTES

The creative capital of the western France

L'École de design Nantes Atlantique is located in Nantes, among the 10 biggest French cities, well recognized for its economic dynamism and vibrant cultural & artistic life. Nantes is a major destination for international students, as is France. From the European Capitals it is also ideally located.

• Coming to school

Considering the top location of the school, students can move easily all over the city by bike or walking.

• By public transportation:

«Naolib», Nantes' transport company, runs a network of buses and tramways all over and around the city : naolib.fr/transports-en-commun

On weekends: public transport is free!

Two lines serve the school:

- › **Tramway line 1** (*Chantiers Navals stop*)
- › **Busway 5** (*Prairie au Duc stop*)

• By bike:

For those who prefer soft mobility, the city has many bicycle paths. A bicycle parking lot is located in front of the school

Two «Naolib Vélo» self-service bicycle stations are located near the school.

• Eating on campus

The school is located 100 meters from a student social catering center managed by the « Centres Régionaux des Oeuvres Universitaires et Scolaires (CROUS »).

It is also possible to eat at one of the many food outlets in the Quartier de la Création, such as the new Food Hall.

Finally, the school cafeteria is equipped with microwave ovens and snack machines.

• Internships

The regulations around internships and financial compensations are strict in France. For every internship exceeding 44 days, interns must receive a minimum wage that amounts to approximately €540 per month.

It is not possible for exchange students to obtain an internship agreement from the school.

• Budget

International students wishing to study in France are required to prove that they have resources above a minimum threshold level recommended by the French Ministry of Welfare (Ministère des Affaires Sociales).

The official minimum resource threshold is €615 per month, though some French embassies and consulates may require more when examining visa applications.

› **Accommodation:** between €300 to €600
(possible Housing Benefit : connect to Feel Français Platform : www.feelfrancais.com)

› **Food:** a minimum monthly budget would be somewhere between €200 to €250.





PREPARING YOUR STAY

Advices for coming to France

• Visas for non-European students

If your stay in France lasts for more than three months, you will need to obtain a long-term student visa before your arrival in France. The request for the form must be made at least 3 months before your departure.

International students can apply for an online visa on France-Visas. This service is accessible to students applying for a long stay visa living in a country where visa application is outsourced and available online.

If online application is not available in your country, the request for the form must be made at the French embassy or consulate in your country of residence at least 3 months before your departure or at your local Campus France.

• CVEC (Contribution vie étudiante et de campus)

All students must pay the "Contribution à la vie étudiante et de campus" (CVEC) a tax that validates their registration in a higher education institution. This contribution, collected by the CROUS (Regional Centers of University and Schools) is intended to promote the reception and social support, health, culture and sports of students.

The CVEC for the academic year 2024/2025 is 100€.

Exchange students are not subject to the CVEC. Students with a Campus France scholarship are exempted from paying the CVEC but must go online anyway and download their certificate free of charge.

• Health Insurance

In France, enrolment in higher education allows for membership to the French social security system.

The French social security is now free for all international students.

We recommend you to sign up for a top-up health insurance policy after your arrival in France.

• Tuition Fees

For European students

- › Postgraduate Studies - Master's Level Degree
International Design Strategy: €8,900 / year
- › Undergraduate Studies - Bachelor's Level Degree
DN MADE: €8,900
- › Art and Design Preparatory Class: €5,500

For Non-European students

- › Postgraduate Studies - Master's Level Degree
International Design Strategy: €9,900 / year
- › Undergraduate Studies - Bachelor's Level Degree
DN MADE: €9,900
- › Art and Design Preparatory Class: €5,500

No tuition fees are required for exchange students who pay the tuition fees of their own university.



SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

To successfully integrate into school

• Accommodation

L'École de design Nantes Atlantique grants students access to the school's housing platform Studapart that will greatly facilitate your search for accommodation in Nantes. Real estate agencies, or rooms in private homes, are available close to the school.

www.studapart.com/en

• University Residence

L'École de design Nantes Atlantique has a partnership with the CROUS, which manages the university halls of residence. A certain number of rooms in nearby student residences are reserved by the school for international students (attributed on demand).

• Buddy Service

International students can be allocated a buddy/mentor to help them settle into and adapt to their life in France.

Mentors are a point of contact before the arrival of the student and can, depending on their availability, meet students when they arrive in Nantes. They continue to be a helping hand to international students throughout the semester.

Mentors are all volunteer students (French and international) who have already spent at least one year at school and in Nantes. They are the best guides and are very enthusiastic to welcome new international students to Nantes.

• Feel Français Platform

Feel Français is a single platform which offers a wide range of services to help international students settle into their new lives in France, including finding accommodation, opening up a bank account, buying a phone card, applying for a visa, housing benefits, health insurance, transport and electricity.

Feel Français is dedicated to making living and studying in France as easy as possible. Thanks to the school's partnership with Feel Français students receive access to the platform once they are accepted to the school and are accompanied with the steps during the orientation week.

www.feelfrancais.com

• Bienvenue en France



L'École de design Nantes Atlantique was awarded the "Bienvenue en France" label with the maximum score of three stars by Campus France.

This label demonstrates the institution's commitment and quality in welcoming international students



HOW TO APPLY ?

> APPLICATIONS ON OUR WEBSITE : candidature.lecolededesign.com

Le Diplôme de design Bac +5

Postgraduate Studies

> for students from all over the world who hold a Bachelor's degree in design

APPLICATION ON OUR WEBSITE

APPLICATION CALENDAR

From december until 28 june 2025

SELECTION PROCESS

- 1 › Online application and payment of the registration fee on our website : candidature.lecolededesign.com
- 2 › Upload the application file
- 3 › Application file review and interview
- 4 › If your application is accepted by L'École de design Nantes Atlantique, we will ask you to electronically sign your enrollment documents and to proceed to the payment of the first installment of the tuition fees.

REGISTRATION FEE €50

DN MADE Bac +3

Undergraduate Studies - 3rd Year / International Class

> for students from all over the world who have completed a minimum of two years in design

APPLICATION ON OUR WEBSITE

APPLICATION CALENDAR

From december until 28 june 2025

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REGISTRATION FEE €50

Art and Design Preparatory Class

APPLICATION ON OUR WEBSITE

SELECTION PROCESS

- 1 › Online application and payment of the registration fee on our website : candidature.lecolededesign.com
- 2 › Uploading all the required documents for application
- 3 › Application file review and interview
- 4 › Admitted candidates will be informed by email and will be asked to electronically sign a teaching contract to confirm their registration.

REGISTRATION FEE €50

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