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ERASMUS+ BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME (BIP)

Languages and Cultures of France in immersion

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March 1-6 2027

Universté Jean Monnet, Saint-Etienne, France

Université Jean Monnet, Vytautas Magnus University and the University of Primorska are pleased to announce the organisation of this Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programme (BIP) in Saint-Étienne, France.

The programme offers participants an intensive French-language learning experience, complemented by cultural activities rooted in the local area and an introduction to linguistic diversity in France and across Europe.

Objectives

- Intensive French-language learning, focusing on the oral and interactional skills needed for everyday communication;
- An introduction to the linguistic and cultural diversity of France and the French-speaking world;
- An introduction to the European languages of the partner universities (Slovenian and Lithuanian);
- Exploring the local culture of Saint-Étienne and its surrounding area.

Key information

- **Place:** Campus Denis Papin, Université Jean Monnet, Saint-Etienne, France
- **Dates of physical mobility:** March 1-6 2027
- **Online component:** january 2027
- **Participants:** T4EU students from bachelor degree to PhD, with a A2 minimum level required in French
- **Capacity:** 20 participants
- **Nomination deadline:** December 7

Programme

The programme combines two online sessions in January 2027 with a one-week physical mobility in Saint-Étienne in March 2027.

Virtual component: January 2027

Two online sessions will prepare participants for the physical mobility:

- **Session 1:** Welcome and presentation of the programme and participants; interactive assessment of participants' knowledge of French language and culture; presentation of reading materials and self-directed online learning activities (with objectives and deadlines); and launch of group work on selected topics.
- **Session 2:** Group presentations and feedback on preparatory activities, followed by preparation for the mobility and the activities planned in Saint-Étienne.

These sessions will include interactive learning activities led by lecturers from the Master's programme in French as a Foreign Language (FLE), the International Centre for Language and Culture (CILEC) and/or Master's students.

Physical mobility component: 1-6 March 2027

The week in Saint-Étienne will combine:

- 3 hours of intensive French-language lessons every morning, taught by experienced CILEC lecturers;
- 2 to 3 hours of supervised activities every afternoon, including introductions to Lithuanian and Slovenian, city and museum visits, nature excursions, and recreational activities at the media library;
- Project-based and intercultural activities led by UJM student interns from the Master's programme in Didactics of Languages and Cultures (DDL).
- An optional trip to Lyon will also be offered on Saturday March 6.

Learning outcomes

- Improved oral comprehension, speaking and interaction skills in French;
- Greater awareness of linguistic variation and European multilingualism;
- Development of intercultural skills and a stronger sense of belonging to a European community of citizens.

Registration

Students interested in applying for this BIP should contact their university's Transform4Europe coordinators for further information on the application process.