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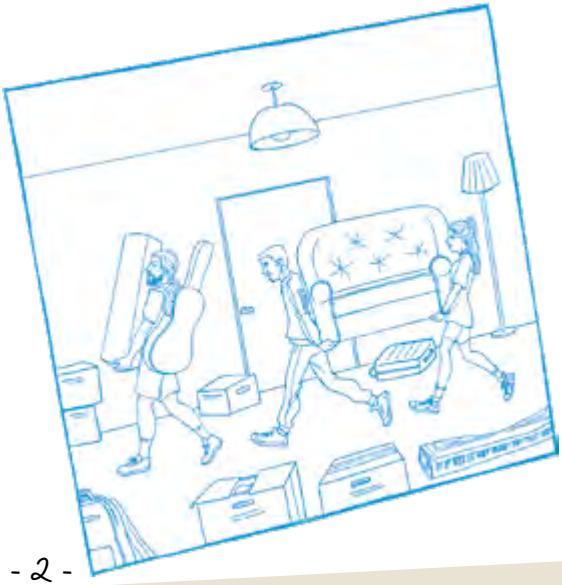
Bordeaux and its metropolis have experienced a substantial housing shortage these past few years.

Around the beginning of the upcoming academic year, a considerable number of students will be looking for an accommodation. This guide will provide you with crucial information to help you stack the odds in your favor.

So, be prepared and follow our advices!.

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Looking for accommodation: think ahead!

Putting together your rental application

Visit accommodations with a complete rental file in order to save some time!

× **The list of the most commonly required documents:**

› A copy of one of your identification papers: identity card, passport, valid resident card
› A copy of your student card or your schooling certificate
› Proof of residence dating back to less than 3 months (if you were a tenant)
› Proof of resources
› Tax notice

× **No need to provide:**

› Healthcare card
› Bank account statement
› Certificate of absence of credit or debt

× **The list of the most commonly required documents that your guarantor must provide:**

If your guarantor is a person (family, friends):

› A copy of any identification document
› Proof of address
› Proof of professional status
› Proof of resources
› The last tax notice

If your guarantor is an organization:

› An eligibility certificate

Finding accommodation

estimating your student budget + identifying available housing assistance

"My Student Housing"
→ monlogementetudiant.beta.gouv.fr

Useful questions to ask yourself

› A place of my own? A room in someone's home? A shared flat?

› Well connected by public transport? Close to shops or to my campus?

Useful questions during visits

× When is the accommodation available?
× Are utilities included in the rent? If not, which ones? (water, electricity, gas)
× What is the security deposit? Do you accept the Visale guarantee?
× Is the accommodation accessible? (if disability)
× Is the accommodation eligible for housing aids (APL)?

No guarantor?

× **The VISALE guarantee**

This guarantee is totally free for students under 30 years old .

You can apply online and you will receive your certificate under 48 hours, it may support your rental file and cover some unpaid rent . Make sure your application is complete .

→ visale.fr

× **Other guarantees exist**

For example: GarantMe, you have to pay every month

to have guarantee for your accommodation, accepted mainly by student's residences .

→ garantme.fr

Easy file

State's online rental file makes the management and creation of the rental file easier.

→ dossierfacile.fr

Set up a budget for the 1st month and for the rest of the year

→ Cf. Heading "Monthly Budget" p.14

Determining your budget and the costs of your stay in advance will help you make a sensible choice of accommodation and avoid financial troubles .

- Allow a budget for a potential temporary accommodation upon your arrival and for moving in once you find an apartment .
  The 1st month, you will have to pay: the 1st month's rent, the rental deposit (which will be refunded at the end of your stay if no damage has been caused to the flat), and possibly agency/ application fees and furniture fees if your flat is not furnished .
- For the rest of the year: in addition to your gas, electricity and internet bills (which are usually not included in the rent unless you live in a student residence), you have to take other expenses into account that are not related to your apartment, such as university fees, transportation, groceries, hobbies etc
- You can estimate the housing aid from CAF (Caisse d'allocations familiales), you will know what you could receive every month .

  → caf.fr

A few tips

Be aware of scams,

more and more numerous, especially in the beginning of the academic year (September/ October). For example, rent prices that are unusually low compared to the local housing market.

Never pay in cash

and don't pay anything before signing your rental agreement.

Don't buy "list seller":

these are the real estate agencies that sell you a list of allegedly available flats for a few hundred euros. The lists are actually rarely updated and there is no guarantee that you will find an accommodation.

Don't wait until the last minute to start looking for a flat:

At the beginning of each academic year (September), very few flats are available and finding one becomes a hard challenge.

The ideal time for finding a flat is from june to mid-august

Book an accommodation before your arrival.

Plan your steps

- ☐ Define your budget
- ☐ Complete rental application
- ☐ Physical guarantors (friend or family)
- ☐ Visale process
- ☐ List and contact student residences near my campus
- ☐ Subscribe to a home insurance policy (mandatory) with a mutual insurance company, a bank, or a private insurer, as soon as you have found the accommodation and before your appointment to receive the keys.

Existing housing modes

Check these websites for housing offers

- acheter-louer.fr
- appartager.com
- entreparticuliers.com
- jesuisunjeune.com
- keysper.fr
- lacartedescolocs.fr
- leboncoin.fr
- locservice.fr
- lokaviz.fr
- pap.fr
- paruvendu.fr
- seloger.com
- bienici.com

Private housing €€€

The flats belong to private individuals . You can either rent a private flat by contacting the owner directly or via a real estate agency . The flat can be furnished or unfurnished .

Private student residences €€€

- Online application
- Nexity Studéa, Les Belles Années, Student Factory, Study'O, Twenty Campus, UXCO, Les Estudines, Studélites, etc.

Homestay €

You rent a room in the owner's house and you share the kitchen and the bathroom with the family . Some of them share the living room, others don't . Moreover, some of them offer breakfast and dinner, others don't . All the services should be specified in the rental agreement .

A room is a particularly interesting option in the perspective of paying a cheaper rent .

× **"Un deux toit" lists all room's offers**
→ operationundeuxtoit.fr

€ = *loyer < 400€*
€ € = *loyer entre 400 et 600€*
€ € € = *loyer > 600€*

University housing in a CROUS residence €

- Studios, traditional rooms or renovated rooms.

This housing mode is first and foremost aimed at the French government scholarship holders as well as international students who are studying for a Master's degree or a doctorate. Several rounds are organized to assign accommodations . International students in master or a doctorate can apply from the 2nd round which is the 2nd week of July and subject to availability .

If you wish to apply for CROUS housing, you should start the procedure very early . Applications must be filed until May 15th . You have to create an account on:

→ messervices.etudiant.gouv.fr

download your "social student file" and send it by mail to the CROUS . International exchange students have to contact the international office of their campus .

Solidarity Youth Housing €

Jeunesse Habitat Solidaire offers over 550 furnished, accessible, and high-quality accommodations in Bordeaux, Talence, and Pessac for students up to the age of 25 .

The organization supports young people on their path to independence by providing a caring environment based on solidarity, diversity, civic engagement, and mutual respect . Over 300 group events are organized each year to strengthen community life and social inclusion.

Découvrez les résidences :

→ jhas.fr/les-residences

Online application

→ jhas.fr/demande-de-logement-accompagne

Temporary housing

if you arrive few days before your accommodation is available or if you need a temporary accommodation for the first few days in Bordeaux while waiting to find a definitive apartment:

- Blanquefort Youth Hostel
  → hifrance.org/auberges-de-jeunesse/blanquefort
- Accommodation booking
  → airbnb.fr
- Bordeaux Youth Hostel
  → aubergebarbey.com
- Central Hostel
  → centralhostel.fr/nos-destinations/bordeaux/dortoir-bordeaux
- Hostel20 Youth Hostel
  → hostel20-bordeaux.comdortoir-bordeaux

Inter-generational housing

You live with an elderly person . Rent conditions are often interesting for the student but you have to spend time with the elderly and providing some small services .

Association Ensemble2générations
→ ensemble2generations.fr

Association Vivre Avec
→ logement-solidaire.org

Residences

× **Social Residences (HLM)**

Social residences (called "HLM") are managed by social landlords . A social accommodation may be a room, a studio, etc .

Online application, long processing time .

→ demande-logement-social.gouv.fr

YELLOME Student Housing Scheme

Student accommodation dedicated to students
→ domofrance.fr

Liziloc (Aquitanis)
→ liziloc.fr

Flat-share

Share a bigger accommodation with one or several students . This is an affordable housing type .

The average cost:

From €350 to €550

Two types of leases:

- Only one lease agreement for all the tenants
- A lease agreement for each tenant (recommended)

× **KAPS**

This project allow to the students to find a flat sharing and some volunteering hours are required .

You have to organize some activities for your neighborhood .
→ rejoins.afev.org/kaps/bordeaux

× **COOPCOLOC**

L'ACLEF uses some social apartment to make a flat sharing for students .

More information on:
→ coopcoloc.fr

Housing for students with disabilities

Several options

You can submit a request for adapted housing through the CROUS .

To do this, you need to complete your Student Social File (« Dossier social étudiant ») and fill out the specific form to be sent by email to the CROUS social service .

Download the form:

→ crous-bordeaux.fr/se-loger/je-cherche-un-logement-crous-bordeaux-aquitaine/handicap-demande-de-logement

Interactive map of accessible CROUS housing:

→ trouverunlogement.lescrous.fr/accessibility-map

You can apply for social housing online:

→ demande-logement-social.gouv.fr/index

Your application will be given priority as a person with a disability .

On housing platforms (Lokaviz, Studapart, etc .), filters allow you to select listings offering adapted housing.



Find accommodation with confidence thanks to Studapart, the University of Bordeaux's housing partner

Studapart supports University of Bordeaux students in their housing search throughout France through a dedicated platform and exclusive benefits.

Partner benefits

- › 15% discount on Studapart booking fees
- › Reimbursement of 3 months of home insurance after your departure (for bookings of 4 months or more)

Included services

- Verified and secure listings
- Priority application status with partner residences and agencies
- Rental guarantor available upon request
- Cancellation insurance in case of unexpected circumstances
- Protection against fraud and last-minute cancellations

Personalised support

- Online Office Hours (10-minute appointments) from May to September:
  Booking link
- Dedicated phone line: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
  +33 9 70 70 02 70

× **Contact: contact@studapart.com**

Tips and great deals

Cheap furniture for your new apartment

Etu'Récup has furniture, household appliances and used kitchenware at very affordable prices . The association created DIY workshops and they can help you repair your bike .

For further information, meet the association's members at the campus of Pessac, near the Tram B at the stop "Doyen Brus" .

→ eturecup.org

Legal Aid

× **Association Adil33 from Gironde**

Useful to know yours rights and obligations as a tenant and if you have any problem with the landlord .

→ adil33.org

× **Clinique du droit**

Free legal assistance service from the University of Bordeaux

→ cliniquedudroit.fr

Moving and delivery

atelier Remuménage offers socially and environmentally friendly moving services with rates adjusted to the beneficiaries' resources, as well as support for all the stages involved in a move.



Housing aid

Financial aid

- As a student, you are eligible for housing aids (APL) from the "**Caisse d'allocation familiale**" (CAF).
- Housing aids (APL) are paid at the beginning of each month for the previous month and only start from the month following your move-in date . The amount of the aid depends on several factors, including the location of the accommodation, the amount of the rent, your financial resources, and your family situation (such as having children or other dependents).

International students

Remember to check your eligibility for APL (French housing benefits) on the CAF website.
→ caf.fr

Help for rental deposit - LocaPass

Moving in involves a lot of expenses . You may need help to handle your budget, Loca-Pass could fund your rental deposit . If you are a scholarship holder,

an internship or a worker student, you may also apply to this housing aid . Be careful, it's a loan you have to pay back every month .
→ actionlogement.fr/l-avance-loca-pass

Home insurance

- You have to subscribe to a home insurance to protect you from different risks (with a mutual insurance, a bank or a private insurer) as soon as you find your accommodation and before your appointment to collect your keys.



WARNING!

A room whose area is less than 9 m^2 is not eligible for housing aid.

Mobili Jeune® Housing Aid

If you are a work-study student (alternant), you may be eligible for financial support provided by Action Logement—up to €100 per month—to help cover part of your rent .

More info and application process:
→ actionlogement.fr/l-aide-mobili-jeune

Energy vouchers

› These vouchers help cover energy-related expenses (electricity/gas) . Students may be eligible depending on income criteria .

Check your eligibility here:
→ chequeenergie.gouv.fr

TBM public transports solidarity fare

→ tarificationsolidaire.bordeaux-metropole.fr/Accueil.aspx

Monthly average budget

Accommodation

- Room in university residence..... 250€
- Student residences..... 600€
- Shared accommodation..... 450 €
- Private studio downtown..... 600€

Lunch

- Meals in university restaurant (2 meals/day)..... 60€
- Grocery shopping..... 200€

Transport

- Tram/bus..... 21,40 €

Miscellaneous fees

- Maintenance, clothes..... 100€
- Supplementary insurance..... 25€
- Hobbies and outings..... 100€
- Phone subscription..... 20€

Additional expenses for the first month

- Expenses about the accommodation + deposit and agencies fees (2 rent months approximately).... 1 500€
- Registration fees (exemption for French government scholarship holders)..... 300€
- CVEC..... 105 €
- Liability insurance..... 20€
- School supplies, books, handout..... 100€

MY BUDGET

Some definitions

- **Guarantor**: a person (friend, family) or an organization (visale, garantme) who formally accepts responsibility for you in case of unpaid rent .
- **Security deposit**: amount paid to the owner from your entry into the accommodation, it will be returned to the tenant at the departure if no damage has been caused by the tenant . The security deposit could be used partially or totally by the landlord .
- **Notice**: at the end of a rental contract, the tenant must inform the landlord and send him a registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt according to the prescribed deadlines .
- **APL**: Housing aid online by CAF (Caisse d'allocations familiales) that you received every month from the 2nd month after your accommodation's entry, it could be received by you directly or your landlord.

Dictionary abbreviation

- **AS**: elevator
- **BE**: good state
- **CC**: charges are included in monthly rental
- **HC**: charges are not included in monthly rental
- **MB**: furnished
- **NF**: new
- **RDC**: ground floor
- **SDB**: bathroom
- **Studio/T1***: studio, one room
- **T2/F2**: accommodation with 2 rooms : 1 living room and 1 bedroom
- **T3/F3**: accommodation with 2 rooms: 1 living room and 2 bedrooms
- **TBE**: very good state

**T and F (followed by 1/2/3/4, etc.): number of rooms in the dwelling. T1 bis/ T2 bis/T3 bis: a dwelling where one room is large enough to be divided into two spaces.*

Kitchens and bathrooms are not counted

Campuses & sites

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Tram D

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› National Higher Institute for Teaching and Education (INSPE)

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Campus Carreire

› College of Health Sciences

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Campus Montesquieu

› College of Law, Political Science, Economics and Management

› Faculty of Sports Science and Physical Education (STAPS))

Pessac

Tram B

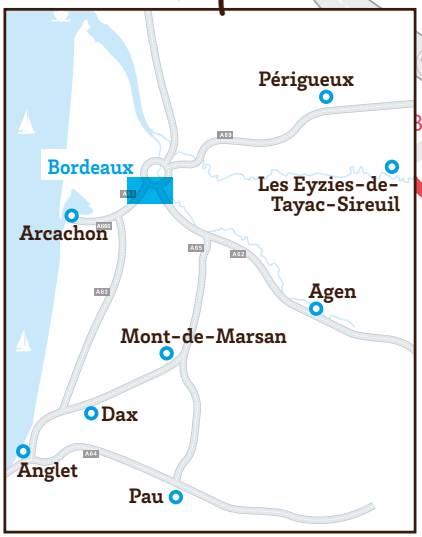
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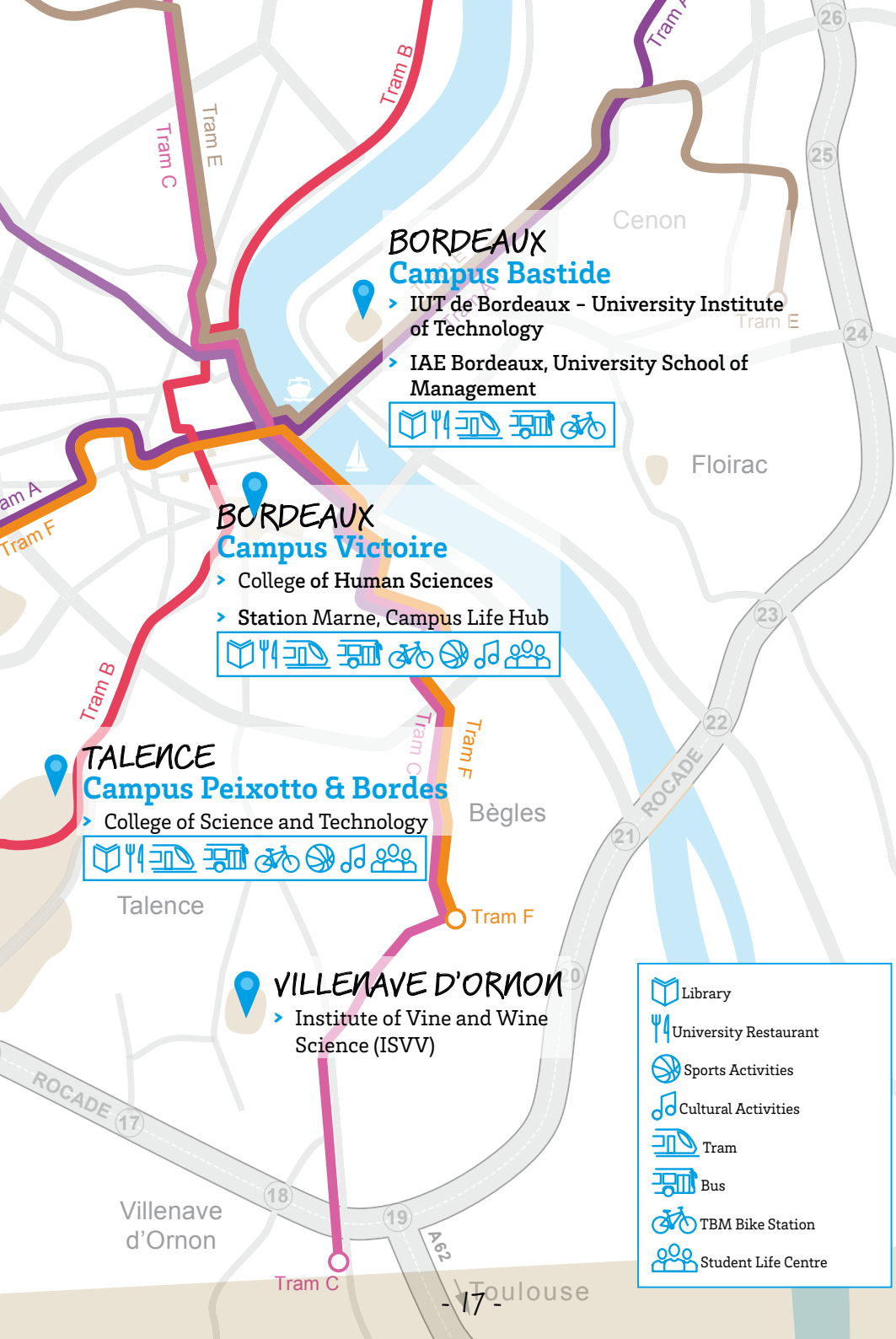
› IUT de Bordeaux University Institute of Technology

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College of Science and Technology
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