English Language Assistant France

Conditions of the Post of English Language Assistant

The assistant is normally employed for 12 hours per week for one academic year. Outside the stated 12 hours of work, subject to the usual discipline of the school, the assistant may be available to delve into the French culture or possibly allow for some personal studies as there is ample opportunity for personal studies. It may sometimes be possible for the timetable to be adjusted to allow long weekends or days free for travel or attendance at university or other courses.

***Please be aware that the English Language Assistant Programme is a competitive process and candidates may only apply for a post in one country**.

France

France provides an astonishing variety of landscapes, architecture and food, and the opportunity to integrate into the local community in rural areas or to experience life in one of its many captivating cities.

Terms and conditions

It is a condition of eligibility for selection as a language assistant that the applicant must have successfully completed 2nd year of their bachelor's degree by the time, they take up their posting in France (October 2025). Students in any discipline can apply, if they have a good level of French (B1) certified by a university tutor. Candidates must be between 20 and 35 years old by the 31st of December 2025.

Appointments are made to:

- Primary or Secondary schools, for a duration of 7 months starting from 1st October 2025 to 30th April 2026.
  The 12-hour timetable can be spread across up to three schools in the same area.
- Appointments can be anywhere in mainland France as well as oversea territories if requested so by the applicant.

Salary:

- Mainland France: 1 036,21€ gross (between 780€ and 820€ net according to the region)
- La Réunion, Mayotte: €1200 net approximately
- Guadeloupe, Guyane and Martinique: €1100 net approximately

You should be aware of the following before making your application:

1. It is difficult to find accommodation in Paris and schools are usually less able to assist. The cost of living in Paris is high and there is a difference between Paris and Paris Région.

2. Posts in the academies (regions) of Aix-Marseille, Montpellier, Toulouse and Bordeaux are often in small towns in rural areas where public transport may be limited.

3. The south of France and Paris are the most popular first-choice regions, so competition is particularly tough.

4. If your reason for choosing an area is that you have contacts and possible accommodation there, you must provide the name of your host and address of the accommodation for us to consider your request.

5. **Subject Access Request Form:**
   Successful assistants may be asked to provide a clearance document, which may prevent them from working with children or vulnerable persons. Successful assistants can request a Subject Access Request Form from An Garda Síochána and Data Protection - Garda. This is a record of a person's interactions with An Garda Síochána (or none).

We recommend you research different regions of France thoroughly before applying: https://www.education.gouv.fr/les-regions-academiques-academies-et-services-departementaux-de-l-education-nationale-6557

Successful applicants will be invited to an induction course arranged by the local education authority (académie) in France.

Applications:

Applications for the 2024-2025 scheme will be made through the online platform ADELE.

Please follow the guidelines indicted on the French Embassy website

For questions about the programme or help with the completion of the application, please read the tutorial on the French embassy's website and direct all queries about the application process to the following email address linguistic@ambafrance-ie.org and not the Department of Education in Ireland.Applications which are incomplete (e.g. have documents missing) will not be accepted.

The closing date for receipt of completed applications for these posts is: 11:59pm 23rd of April 2025.

If you have any technical issues about your application on the platform, please contact:

Ambassade de France en Irlande

linguistic@ambafrance-ie.org

66 Fitzwilliam Lane, Dublin 2
Tél : +353 (0)1 277 5055

We would like to remind you to carefully consider your commitment to the ELA Scheme before accepting a post, as all withdrawals will need to be duly justified.