## Welcome Week for Exchange Students

Each semester, the International office organizes a Welcome Week for its exchange students, with a variety of orientation activities.

\* Please be aware that due to the current context of COVID-19, some of the below events may be modified, in line with government and University recommendations.

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The Welcome Week is designed to familiarize students with their new university environment, you learn the basics like: how to register for classes, get a student card, or open a French bank account. Information meetings are organized with/by the International Office and department coordinators.

Several guided tours are also proposed: campus, libraries, the city of Rennes and even the Mont Saint Michel.

The new students are also paired up with local Rennes 2 students as part of a Buddy System which provides them with the opportunity to get tips and useful information from students who already have first-hand knowledge of the university, campus services and city. They can meet their buddy during a specific « pot de bienvenue ».

The Rennes Centre de Mobilité Internationale (CMI Rennes) also offer newly arriving global students with a flurry of activities during the International Students' Day organized in September. Students are invited to spend the day getting to know their new host city in a festive ambiance.

In late September/ early October the welcoming program continues with Rennes 2's Journée Campus. Organized by different university services and the Bureau de Vie Étudiante (Student Life Office), this festive event is held each year and is centred around familiarizing new students to the many features of Rennes 2 student life. It offers the chance to get involved with campus organizations and activities (see our short video on the day available below).



Journée Campus / Campus Day 2019

For the first time in 2019, this event also featured an International Desk - a one-stop help desk for international students as well as students interested in mobility and language exchange programs.

Students are also offered the chance to try out the Escape Game, 'Discover the University'. Created by FLE Masters students in the Language Didactics program at Rennes 2, the game helps newcomers get accustomed to the university structure, language and commonly-used technical terms, as well as the services available to them.

At the end of September, the city of Rennes officially welcoms international students by organizing a reception at the City Hall. They are also invited to take part in the Tam-Tam Music Festival, organized by the CRIJ Bretagne and the city of Rennes.

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