Dear all,
I am going to introduce you mainly Toulouse but I will provide you some plus details with regard to the near cities and tourist attractions.
So let’s get start it 😊. I have spent 4 months in Toulouse, France and studied International Business and Management at Toulouse Business School. The Business School was modern and well-equipped, you can find all of those things that you should use (modern classrooms, meeting rooms, computer, projector, well-equipped library and last but not least professionalist and professional teachers with well-structured relationship and business network. For sure the other very important thing is the community that the school and the courses provide. I have studied at an international class as usual the Erasmus students do, but we had had some local students who applied for those courses we could do. Thus, we spent a semester together and organized some trips in Toulouse and near to Toulouse. Although, we had organized the mentioned activites I would like to tell some practical information before.

**Language:**

Although, obviously you have some false stereotypes with regard to the english language skills of the french people, you can speak in english because a lot of foreign professionalist and business events are in Toulouse, thanks to this you can easily use the english language and do not worry if you do not speak in french.

**Accomodation:**

The very important thing you should note that TBS does not provide college for international (also local) students. You are supposed to find an accomodation via website that they can provide. Here is some sites:

rahma@accommodation-for-student.com

But I would draw particular attention to Airbnb. Unfortunately, AirBnB addresses **may be refused by the social security and some banks.** The coordinator highly recommend that students contact the landlord in advance and ask whether the students will be able to have a
contract on their arrival or whether the person will be able to give for the students a host certificate (attestation d'hébergement). Otherwise the students may have problems registering for the social security and opening a bank account. In this case if you need help the school can provide a host certificate template.

**Visa/Immigration**

If you are not a European Union citizen, you may need to request a French student visa in order to be able to study here. As visa issues can take time, the school strongly recommend that you start the process of obtaining your student visa (or any visa/immigration issues relevant to your status) as soon as possible. For this, the best way to start is to contact the French embassy in your country, or Campus France. On your arrival at TBS they will assist you with all the procedures required to validate your visa here in France.

**Public transport/Uber:**

If you are under 26 you can require a monthly ticket in discounted price 10,20 €. More details you can see in this website: [https://www.tisseo.fr/en/tickets-price](https://www.tisseo.fr/en/tickets-price)

The uber service depends on the time when you want to buy in service, however, a longer trip can be very expensive. I had to use twice because of some demonstration actions (you have to know that France had protests in the near past) that can block the public transport thus I had to use the Uber’s service and I lived a bit far from the school so it took approximately 30 € but generally it cost 7-15 € to go one place to and other in the downtown.

**Meal:**

If you would like to cook, you can buy food in Carrefour, Spar, Auchan, Lidl. You can easily find these supermarkets near to the downtown. Although, the price depends on your wish but you can eat approximately 50 € / week. Obviously if you want to eat at restaurant or do not want to prepare the food at home, the price will be escalated.
Restaurants:

The expenses of the restaurants depend on where you want to go but near to the Campus you can find some Kebab restaurants or Pizzeria. They cost approximately 6-9 €/meal, so between two classes it might be a good opportunity to eat and get to know more of your classmates. There is a good place where people usually hang out called Capitole. This is also the name of one of the metro stations and at Capitolium of Toulouse – you can go inside the building and check the magnificent historical old rooms that nowadays the local people and government use for weeding and some special events.

![Traditional food: raclette](image1)

![Traditional food: French cassoulet](image2)
It is surrounded by some good restaurants, an ice cream place (this is very good, you should try, a bit expensive though 5 € / ice cream 😊) and local market (during the Christmas season).

**Party places:**

Many places provide you opportunities to enjoy the time with your new friends after a long week. The most famous places are on Saint Pierre. Here is some websites:
https://www.yelp.com/search?cflt=danceclubs&find_loc=Toulouse
Tourist attraction:

The near cities you can visit are relatively close to Toulouse you can take flixbus, blabla car (car-shared service, it is easy to use and sometimes cheaper than renting car or buying ticket for flixbus, only thing you should do to register and make an account). The nearest cities: **Narbonne, Montpellier, Marseille, Carcassone, Bordeaux, Andorra, Barcelona.**
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