PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

The Paris region is divided into 5 zones and served by a wide public transport network making UPEC university easily accessible. All campuses can be reached using public transportation.

The nearest airports to the university are Paris-Orly and Paris-Charles-de-Gaulle. More information is available in several languages on the Paris aeroport website.

PARIS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Paris and its outskirts are divided into transport zones. For instance, Paris = zones 1 and 2. If you live in Paris and you take the metro to get to Créteil, all you need is a pass for zones 1-2. When travelling, you need to identify the line (e.g. line 8), the direction (e.g. Créteil Préfecture) and the station (e.g. Créteil Université).

GETTING TO UPEC

UPEC has campuses in multiple locations, check our access maps for directions to each one.

Campus Centre and mail des Mèches, Créteil
Located in the south-east of Paris, the city of Créteil is home to the main site of the university.
- By metro: line 8 (direction: Créteil Préfecture), station: Créteil-Université
- By RER: line D (direction: Melun), station: Le Vert de Maisons
- By bus: line 317 or TVM, stop: Créteil-Université

Campus Sénart-Fontainebleau
The Sénart campus is located in the town of Lieusaint, 45 minutes from the center of Paris by RER D (train station Lieusaint-Moissy). A T-ZEn bus stop also serves the campus.

Campus Fontainebleau
The city of Fontainebleau is accessible by train (TER) from Paris Gare de Lyon station.

TRANSPORT PASS

To use public transport, you will need to buy a Navigo card from an RATP point of sale or online. This card allows you to use public transports in Île-de-France. Once loaded for one or more trips, a week, a month or even a year, it allows you to commute within the chosen zones. For information on current rates, check the ratp website.

- Student tip
The Imagine R navigo plan is a monthly or annual subscription for students under 26 years of age and the most cost-effective option. More information on imagine-r.com. Also good to know, if you live in Val-de-Marne and are staying for at least 6 months, you may apply to a 50% refund on public transportation costs (Imagine R card). To find out more, visit www.valdemarne.fr

BIKE RENTAL

Velib’ is a self-service bike rental system, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in and around Paris. Cristolib is the rental system of the city of Créteil.

TRAVELLING IN FRANCE

France has an efficient and comfortable railway network, in particular owing to the high speed train lines. It is therefore easy to travel using this mode of transport, from one town to another and even long distance: a 4 hour train journey separates Marseille, at the southern-most point of France, from Lille, in the most northern point of the country (approximately 1000 km).

Many national and international airlines in each French city allow you to reach any destination in the world easily.

The motorway and road infrastructures are also of excellent quality, with, in particular, a network of picturesque B-roads, which allows those who take the trouble to discover all the charms of rural France.

It is not a problem to use your national driving licence in France. Speed limits are 45 or 50 km/hr in built-up areas, 90 km/hr on roads and 130 km/hr on motorways. A second-hand car in good condition rarely costs less than 3000 euros, but you can rent a recent vehicle anywhere.

MORE INFORMATION

> RATP
> SNCF