



Bayonne

SUMMER LANGUAGE HOLIDAYS

Juniors 13-17 years



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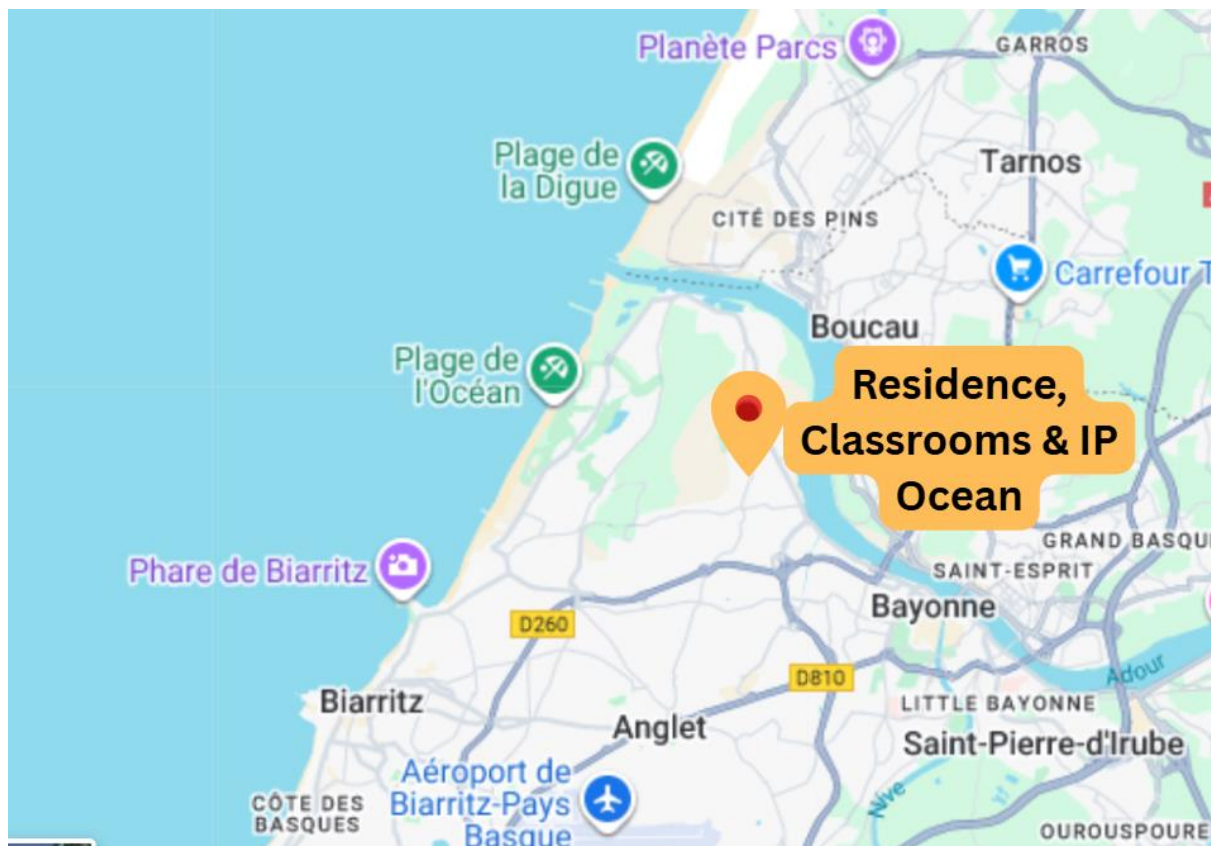
Ages	13-17 years
Centre Type	Closed Campus
Distance	To Bayonne centre 30 min by bus, to Biarritz 40 min by bus, and to the beach 25 minutes by bus
Courses Available	General French or English (15x45 min / 11.25 hrs)
Accommodation	Residence
Capacity	Max. 50 residential
(Main) Arrival / Departure day	Saturday
Centre dates	04.07.2026 to 01.08.2026
Nationality Mix 2025	German, Spanish, French, British, Italian, Slovakian, Turkey etc.
Special	Surf course
Distance to Bordeaux	206 km
Main airports	Biarritz (15 minutes) San Sebastian (45 minutes) Pau (75 minutes) Bilbao (2 hours) Bordeaux (2 hours)
Tourist attractions	St. Jean de Luz, Bordeaux, Biarritz, Hossegor, Arcachon & Dune du Pilat
Nearest Hospital	Centre Hospitalier de la Côte Basque 13 Av. de l'Interne Jacques Loeb, 64100 Bayonne, France
Special Faire	Fêtes de Bayonne official dates to be announced

General Information

- ↳ Residential en-suite rooms for between 3 to 6 people, mix of bunk beds and single beds
- ↳ Friendly and relaxed classroom settings
- ↳ IP Ocean Lounge: meeting point for our students
- ↳ Vending machines with snacks and drinks
- ↳ Green area and garden, table tennis
- ↳ Free Wifi on the campus in common areas
- ↳ **Arrival:** Saturdays from 14:00 to 18:00
- ↳ **Departure:** Saturdays from 09:00 to 12:00



Map



Accommodation & Catering

Residential Accommodation – Domaine du Pignada

- ✦ En-suite rooms for between 4 to 6 people, mix of bunk beds and single beds, and a few triple rooms
- ✦ Students will share a room with peers of the same sex. If possible, they will also share a room with students their same age who speak a different native language than their own (unless they request to stay with a friend). However, please bear in mind that this may not always be possible.
- ✦ Rooms are lockable, with 1 key per student
- ✦ Bedding is provided, towels have to be brought by students.
- ✦ Damage deposit 50 €
- ✦ Bus pass included for the duration of the stay
- ✦ Students receive breakfast, hot lunch and hot dinner
- ✦ Dining Hall: large room for approximately 50 students
- ✦ Outdoor Terrace
- ✦ IP Ocean Lounge - meeting point for our students
- ✦ Vending machines with snacks and non-alcoholic drinks in the Domaine du Pignada
- ✦ Free laundry available on site for students staying more than 9 days
- ✦ Free Wifi on the campus
- ✦ Refrigerator for medicine storage



Meal plan

- ✦ Meal times: breakfast 8:00-9:00, lunch from 12:00 – 13:00 and dinner 19:00-20:15
- ✦ Meals provided at our refectory on the campus
- ✦ We offer vegetarian options in the residence accommodation. Please advise at least 21 days prior arrival about any special diet. If not advised in advance, we can't guarantee the availability at arrival. Special diets such as lactose free and gluten free are on request only.
- ✦ Packed lunch for full day trips

Language Courses

Our summer school is accredited by the esteemed **British Council** for English language teaching in the UK and a proud member of **English UK**, the world's premier language teaching association.

Dynamic Learning Environment

- ✦ Students at Europa School of English thrive in diverse and engaging classes, where they connect with **peers from around the world** in **equipped classrooms**.
- ✦ With class sizes limited to a **maximum of 16 students**, they will experience a personalized approach to education, allowing for deeper connections with both their classmates and dedicated teachers.



Expert Instruction and Comprehensive Materials

- ✦ Our passionate and dedicated teachers are here to guide all our students every step of the way. They bring their expertise and enthusiasm to the classroom, ensuring that our students receive the best possible language education.
- ✦ All course materials are provided, ensuring a seamless and comprehensive learning journey.

Online Placement Test

- ✦ Prior to arrival, students will be required to complete an **online placement test**. This test will gauge students' current language skills and knowledge, helping us understand their strengths and areas for improvement.
- ✦ The online test is designed to be **convenient** and **flexible**, allowing students to complete it at a time that suits them best. It ensures students are positioned in a class that matches their abilities.

Observation of Speaking Skills

- ✦ Upon arrival and commencement of lessons, our dedicated teachers will conduct **comprehensive observations** during the students' first day of classes. Specifically focusing on **speaking skills**, these observations will provide valuable insights into students' real-time language abilities and interaction in a classroom setting.

Customized Class Placement

- ✦ The **speaking component** score obtained from the classroom observations will be combined with the results of the **online placement test**. This comprehensive approach ensures a **holistic evaluation** of students' language skills. Based on this combined assessment, students will be placed in a suitable language level that aligns perfectly with their proficiency.

Learning Aligned with Proficiency

- ✦ At our Summer School, class allocation is determined by students' **language level**, not by age, education, nationality, or preferences. We prioritize creating **international student groups** whenever possible, fostering cross-cultural connections and enhancing the learning experience.

Progress Assessment for Continuous Growth

- ✦ At the close of each week (Thursday), students engage in a **progress test** that evaluates their language development. This assessment helps gauge progress and aids in determining if a move to a different level is appropriate. This dynamic approach ensures that students are always learning at a level that challenges and nurtures their growth.

Celebration of Achievements

- ✦ The culmination of students' time at Europa School of English is marked by a memorable **graduation ceremony**.
- ✦ As a testament they receive a **language certificate**. This certificate reflects their language proficiency level, calculated as an average of their performance on the final progress test and their initial online placement test. Additionally, the certificate will feature a personalised comment from one of their teachers.

Language levels

- ✦ Our assessment test is meticulously designed to map skills to the CEFR framework.
- ✦ We offer a clear trajectory of proficiency levels:
 - **Elementary (A1)**: Lay the foundations of your language journey.
 - **Pre-intermediate (A2)**: Progress towards confident communication.
 - **Intermediate (B1)**: Navigate conversations and interactions with ease.
 - **Upper-intermediate (B2)**: Embrace fluency and nuanced expression.
 - **Advanced (C1)**: Master the language intricacies with finesse.

Available Courses

- ✦ **General Course of English/French**
 - Included in the package is the General English/French Course (15 lessons a week), serving as a strong foundation for effective language communication.
 - Running from Monday to Friday, 09:00 to 11:45 (including breaks), each of the morning sessions is aimed at specific language aspects: grammar mastery, reading and listening comprehension, and interactive speaking practice.
 - With a focus on enhancing your speaking and listening skills, we're dedicated to nurturing confident communication and breaking inhibitions.
 - Our offerings cater to Elementary (A1) through Advanced (C1) levels, with a minimum duration of 1 week.

All courses are available for a minimum duration of 1 week.

- ✦ **General French or English Course** (15x45 minutes/11.25 hours per week): levels A2 to C1, lessons from 9:00-11:45 including breaks

Airports & Transfers

Individual Transfer

Available transfers with private coach or taxi. Transfers can only be booked and guaranteed if transfer details have been provided at least 3 weeks prior to arrival. If details are provided later, extra costs apply. Recommended arrival times are from 14:00 to 18:00 on Saturdays. On departure day (Saturday) flights/trains should depart prior to 14:00. Other airports or train stations on request only.

- ✈ Biarritz Airport: 6.8 km, ca. 20 min
- ✈ Biarritz train station 7,1 km, ca. 15 min
- ✈ Biarritz bus station (Av. Charles Floquet): 8,4 km, ca. 15 min
- ✈ San Sebastian Airport: 51 km, ca. 45 min
- ✈ Pau Airport: 116 km, ca. 75 min
- ✈ Bilbao Airport: 144 km, ca. 2 hours
- ✈ Bordeaux Airport: 195 km, ca. 2 hours

In case you arrive anywhere else, please book yourself a taxi.

On the day of arrival our IP Transfer Service will be waiting for the students at the exit area of customs with a sign of either the students' name/s or our company name on it and will take them directly to their course centre. On the day of departure, the students will leave the centre as required in order to make sure they arrive at the airport in time to check in. **Please note that private transfer on departure day means that the student will be dropped at the station or airport and has to find the train or flight on his/her own and wait alone to board.**

Unaccompanied Minor Service

On the day of departure, we will drop each student off at the airport. If they would like to be taken directly to the check-in desk, please inquire about our Unaccompanied Minor Service. Please keep in mind that a return UM-service must be booked if your student uses the UM-service on arrival. If students book an Unaccompanied Minors service with their airline/SNCF, please be sure to request our Unaccompanied Minors service (with supplement) as well.

Specials (with supplement)

Special: Surf Course

Biarritz is a true surfer's paradise! The surf course takes place on 5 afternoons (1.5 hours each). Equipment will be provided; towels have to be brought. Surf lesson times may vary depending on the weather, tide and the size of the waves or might be cancelled or postponed.

Please bear in mind that booking this course combination prevents you from joining other afternoon activities or a scheduled excursion.



Special: Rowing

Rowing is a very popular sport in Bayonne, and we give our students an opportunity to try it with the local rowing club. The activity consists of the practice part in the gym where the students learn the correct movement with the trainer. Next step is learning how to row together in the pool and finally we move to the river where students are rowing on the river l'Adour in the center of Bayonne.

Please note that we offer rowing based on the availability of our partners, so we might not be able to offer it each week. The activity takes around 2h and is organised once per week when possible.



Special: Fêtes de Bayonne (no supplement)

The Fêtes de Bayonne is one of France's most renowned festivals, held annually in the vibrant city of Bayonne in the Basque region. For five days, the city transforms into a lively celebration, with thousands of participants dressed in traditional white outfits with red scarves. The festival is marked by its joyful atmosphere, filled with music, dancing, and a rich display of local traditions such as bull races and parades. The streets are lined with stalls offering Basque delicacies like pintxos, and the evenings are often capped with spectacular fireworks. The Fêtes de Bayonne captures the essence of Basque culture, drawing visitors from near and far to partake in its festive spirit.

Fêtes de Bayonne usually takes place mid-July, the date in the summer of 2026 is still to be set.



Note: We do not recommend the students to go to Fêtes de Bayonne in the evening hours after dinner due to safety reasons.

Supervision

Students in Bayonne will be free to experience and explore things with their friends on and off campus, but with daily checks from our supervisors to provide a good mix of supervision and personal freedom. Daily checks include: wake-up, breakfast, class check, assembly, programme check with sign-up lists, dinner, TTT and night check.

Participation in the activity programme is a mix of compulsory activities and voluntary ones. Students will join some afternoon activities and evening events with the rest of the students (3-4 afternoons & evenings per week), to know each other, enjoy the international atmosphere and make new friends, and some days they can choose between taking part in the offered programme activities or exploring the town with their new friends in the afternoon and the evening after dinner until 22:30 pm (at least 2 students together), after informing our staff members and signing out. They will not be allowed to leave the campus or the host family without supervision after 22:30 pm when all students should be in their accommodation, but there might be special supervised programme activities off the campus organised for them. The supervision ratio for this age group is usually 1:15, i.e. one staff member per 15 students. All students attend the offered half day and full day excursions except for students having booked the surf course who either don't attend the half day excursion or miss one surf afternoon.

The activity programme is bilingual (French and English). There are activities in French and English in the afternoons and bilingual activities in the evening. During the excursions, there will be a bilingual guided tour.

If students are accommodated in the Residence, they inform their supervisor at the TTT at assembly what they are going to do in the afternoon when the programme is voluntary. The same happens at the TTT around dinner time for the evening event.

Homestay students have their TTT after assembly where they need to inform the supervisors about their plans for the day (afternoon and evening). In the evenings the students can either take part in the activity programme, explore by themselves in pairs up to 22:30 pm or stay in their private homes. The families are in contact with the team and let them know if a student is missing.

Every student will be part of a TTT group of up to 20 students. The TTT supervisor will always know in which programme activities the students participate and where they are. Our supervisors may restrict the level of freedom if necessary, for example if students don't respect the centre rules!

Important information for groups: If students travel in a closed group, the accompanying group leader is responsible for their supervision in line with our supervision policies and procedures and working alongside our team. The group leader will be fully integrated into our teams and all the rules and regulations and policies will be communicated to them prior to arrival in our centres. Our teams do very much appreciate any active support from the group leaders on site.

WHAT WE EXPECT FROM OUR GROUP LEADERS DURING SUMMER SEASON



- Supervision of their students according to age which includes:
- Wake up and night checks
- check your students attendance for lessons, activities and trips
- attending assemblies and TTT (time to talk)
- participation in daily group leader meetings with Centre Manager (to be agreed in the centre)
- disciplinary actions when students are breaking rules (e.g. smoking, drinking, etc)
- reporting any damages or misbehaviour to Centre Manager

Sample Activity Programme

IP Bayonne – Surf and fun in the sun

	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	07:45	07:45	07:45	07:45	07:45	07:45	07:45
MORNING	WAKE UP	WAKE UP	WAKE UP	WAKE UP	WAKE UP	WAKE UP	WAKE UP
	8:00 - 09:00	8:00 - 09:00	8:00 - 09:00	8:00 - 09:00	8:00 - 09:00	8:00 - 09:00	8:00 - 09:00
	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST
	9:00 - 18:00	10:00 - 12:00	9:00 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:30
	Full day trip to Bordeaux	Orientation Town walk	LESSONS	LESSONS	LESSONS	LESSONS	LESSONS
			10:30 - 11:00	10:30 - 11:00	10:30 - 11:00	10:30 - 11:00	10:30 - 11:00
			ASSEMBLY	ASSEMBLY	ASSEMBLY	ASSEMBLY	ASSEMBLY
			11:00 - 11:45	11:00 - 11:45	11:00 - 11:45	11:00 - 11:45	11:00 - 11:45
	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30
	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
AFTERNOON	14:00	13:15	13:15	13:15	13:15	13:15	13:15
	ARRIVALS & WELCOME MEETING	ASSEMBLY	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
		14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00
		Tabata	Beach volleyball	Beach dodgeball	HD TRIP Hossegor	Rowing	Beach Games
		Clay workshop	Lighthouse & Maison du surf	Cultural Town walk	SURF	Bidart	Aquarium
			SURF	SURF		SURF	SURF
EVENING	19:15	19:15	19:15	19:15	19:15	19:15	19:15
	TTT	TTT	TTT	TTT	TTT	TTT	TTT
	19:30	19:30	19:30	19:30	19:30	19:30	19:30
	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER
	20:30 - 22:30	20:30 - 22:30	20:30 - 22:30	20:30 - 22:30	20:30 - 22:30	20:30 - 22:30	20:30 - 22:30
	QUIZ NIGHT	BIARRITZ @ NIGHT	BACHATA @ BEACH	CASINO NIGHT	MOVIE NIGHT	HIPPODROME	Farwell evening @beach
NIGHT	23:00	23:00	23:00	23:00	23:00	23:00	23:00
	NIGHT CHECK	NIGHT CHECK	NIGHT CHECK	NIGHT CHECK	NIGHT CHECK	NIGHT CHECK	NIGHT CHECK

* Due to different arrival and departure dates and times there will be several Welcome Meetings throughout the weekend.

Sample Programme Description

Our IP activity programme is a varied mix of workshops, sport activities, games and evening events aiming to provide our students with a safe, fun and intercultural environment, which represents our IP philosophy 'Learn more than a Language'. What is more, we select and prepare our activities with great care in order to fit into the students' area of interest as well as their need for freedom and independence. Some afternoon and evening activities are designed for all the students to get together, enjoying the international atmosphere (3-4 afternoons & evenings per week), and the opportunity to mix up and make new friends. It is a bilingual campus where activities take place in French and English.

We offer the students various visits of local sites and events to discover the area and practice their language skills, and active activities to create memorable experiences.

Afternoon Programme	
Beach Chill-Out	Supervised afternoon at the beach with an opportunity to swim in the Sea in the lifeguarded zones. We have our own bodyboards and beach tennis equipment available for our students
Sport	Dodge Ball, Football, Volleyball, Badminton, Zumba, Fitness Dance, Workouts, Jogging & Stretching
Fun Games	Photo Rally, Treasure Hunt
Arts & Crafts	Pottery, Jewellery workshop, Pericón painting (Spanish fan), Pimp your tote bag, Pimp your T-shirt
Health & Beauty	Henna tattoos, Nail Art, Beauty Workshop, Yoga and Relaxation
Food & Drinks	Crepes workshop, Cocktail workshop, Cake pops workshop
Workshop	
Games	Escape room, Geocaching, Water balloon battle
Cultural Afternoon	Aquarium, City of the Ocean (virtual reality museum), Chocolate Museum, Biarritz lighthouse, Bayonne bullfighting arenas, Bayonne rugby stadium, Basque Museum
Geocaching app	Treasure hunts prepared by tourism offices to discover and learn about the local area (three treasure hunts available in the area)
Extra trips	Bidart, Guéthary – typical Basque villages close to Bayonne that we can visit with public transport. Interesting for those students who are interested in learning more about Basque culture and visiting new places.
Evening Programme	
Fixed IP Programme	
Local events	Hippodrome (horse races), Biarritz at night, Concerts or ballet with supplement (if available), local festivals (skate, surf, etc.)
Game Nights	Escape rooms, Quiz night, Casino night, Minute-to-win-it games
Chill Nights	Marshmallow barbecue Night, Karaoke
Trips & Specials	
Trips	Full Day Trips: Bordeaux, San Sebastian, Arcachon and Dune du Pilat Half Day Trips: Sant-Jean-de-Luz, Hossegor, Hendaye
	<i>Trip programme consists of +/- 1 hour optional guided walking tour with an IP staff member and free time for shopping</i>
Specials Add-Ons	Surf, Rowing, Cité de l'océan Biarritz, Aquarium, Biarritz lighthouse, Bayonne bullfighting arenas, Bayonne rugby stadium, Basque Museum, Chocolate Museum, Chambre d'Amour Terra Aventura, Fêtes de Bayonne, Bayonne Terra Aventura - the chocolate town, Bayonne Terra Aventura - street art
	Some of these activities have an additional cost. Please check our pricelist or ask as for a quote.

Sample Excursions

Below you find detailed descriptions of our full and half day excursions. Excursions are done bilingually. The time frames are approximate and depend on public transport departure/arrival times. Times indicate departure from the centre and arrival back in the centre in the evening.

We reserve the right to organise excursions by public transport.

IP's full day excursions:

During breakfast in the residence, students will receive packed lunch. The coach will pick us up or we will head to the public transport (bus or train), and we'll start the journey to the chosen destination. One of our trained IP staff members will give students a guided tour of the city/area. Every tour starts with some background information on the destination and lasts for about 1h. We will stop in different points of interest to take some pictures and talk about the most interesting stories about the places. After the guided tour, we will reach the set meeting points where students will get around 2h30 free time in pairs or small groups. The supervisor will indicate where the closest shops and cafes are, and students will be free to discover the surroundings on their own, within a maximum of 20 minutes walking distance. We will meet in the same meeting point at a specified time, walk back together to the coach and start our journey back to the centre.

Full day trip destinations

Bordeaux from 09:30-18:30

Bordeaux, centre of the vineyards in France, is known for its cathedral, art museums, and big houses from S.XVIII and XIX. In Bordeaux, we do a guided tour, visiting the cathedral which is a spectacular example of the French gothic style. We take the students walking through the city streets to sightsee the Grand Théâtre, Pey Berland or Place de la Bourse (entrance fees not included), going through Saint Catherine Street and the commercial gallery Bordelaise, emblematic shopping areas where you can do some shopping afterwards.

San Sebastián from 10:00-18:00

A trip to San Sebastian offers a delightful blend of coastal beauty and rich culture. Nestled along the Bay of Biscay, this charming city is famed for its stunning beaches, particularly La Concha, and its picturesque Old Town with narrow streets filled with pintxo bars. Visitors can explore historical sites like the San Telmo Museum and the Gothic-style San Vicente Church, or take in panoramic views from Mount Urgull. The city's vibrant food scene showcases the best of Basque cuisine. A day in San Sebastian provides a perfect mix of relaxation, culture, and culinary delights.

IP's half day excursions:

After lunch, students will either jump into the public transport (bus or train) or a coach will pick them up in front of the residence, and we'll start the journey to the chosen destination. Students will then get a guided tour from one of our trained IP staff members of the city/area. Every tour starts with some background information on the destination and lasts for 30 to 45min. We will stop in different points of interest to take some pictures and talk about the most interesting stories about the places. After the guided tour, we will reach the set meeting points where students will get 1 to 2h free time in pairs or small groups. The supervisor will indicate where the closest shops and cafes are, and students will be free to discover the surroundings on their own, within a maximum of 20mins walking distance. We will meet in the same meeting point at a specified time, walk back together to the transport and start our journey back to the centre.

Half day trip destinations

St. Jean de Luz from 14:00-18:00

St. Jean de Luz is a small, historical town with a gorgeous harbour, narrow winding streets, and many local souvenir shops. Students will take part in a guided tour of this town which features a large number of residences built in the 17th and 18th centuries along the Quai de l'Infante, Rue Mazarin, Rue Gambetta and at the Place Louis XIV, as Maison de l'Infante, the church of Saint Jean Baptiste which students will visit to discover the beautiful baroque style or the Casino from where they could enjoy an

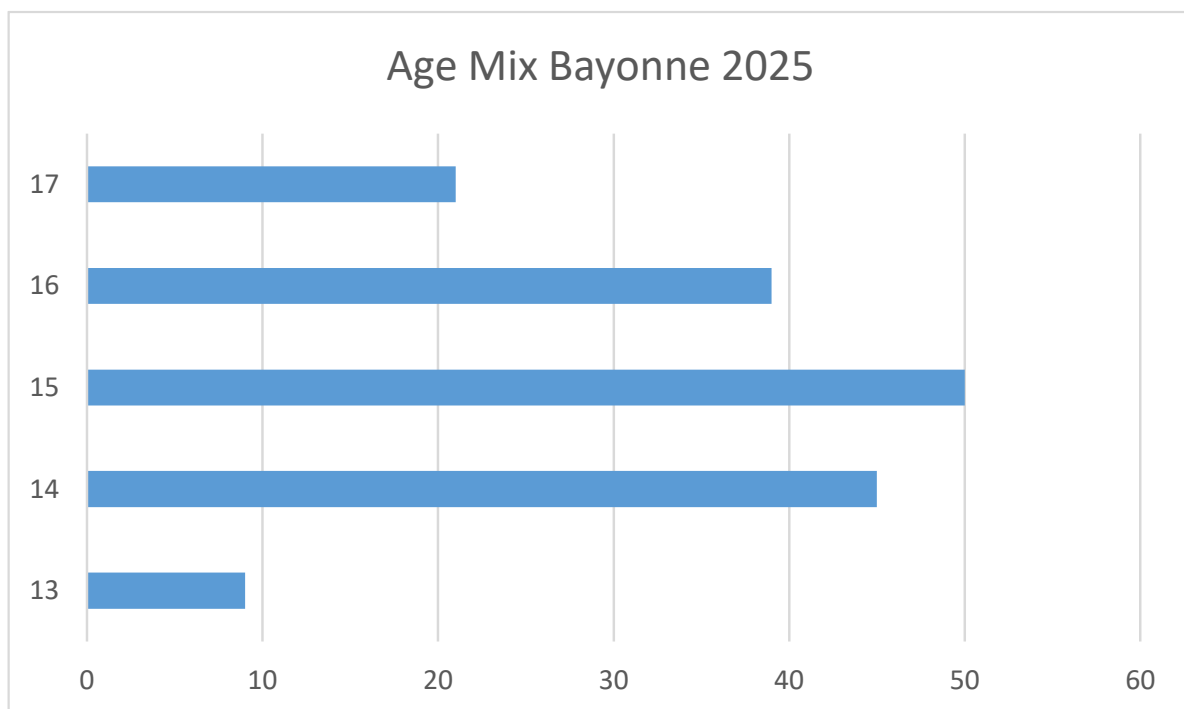
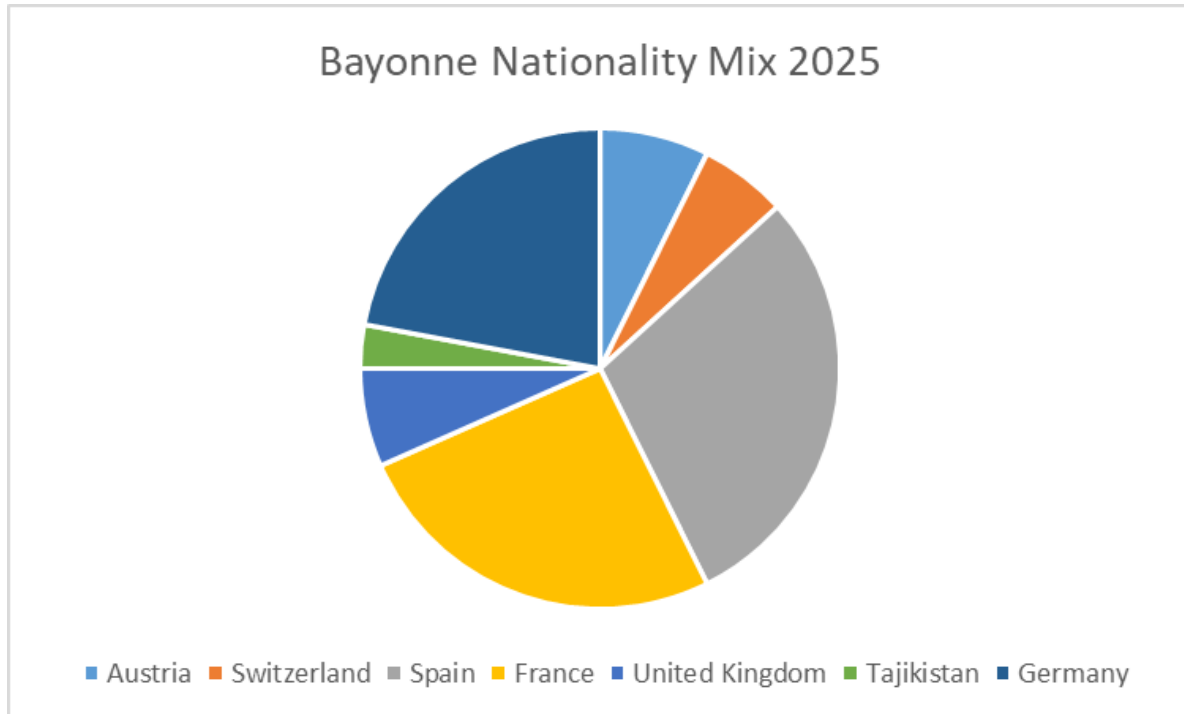
amazing panoramic view of the town. La Grande Plage is unique from the panoramic sea promenade, where we can peacefully walk admiring the huge and wide sand beach. Students can explore the town at their own pace during free time.

Hossegor from 14:00-18:00

Hossegor is a beach resort set amongst the pine trees of Landes about 30 km north of Biarritz in south-west France. A continuous stretch of fine golden sand extends from here 150 km north to Arcachon. Hossegor's main street looks more like California than France with a surf shop on every corner. Hossegor has a well-earned reputation among surfers as having one of the best beach breaks on the planet. The crisp waves draw an ever-growing number of surfers from around the world.

Information for closed groups only: If you wish to visit any sight during one of our trips with your group, feel free to contact us. We are happy to arrange entrances for closed groups where possible and if prepaid. Entrances are subject to availability of the chosen sight.

Students in 2025 (by nationality and age)



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