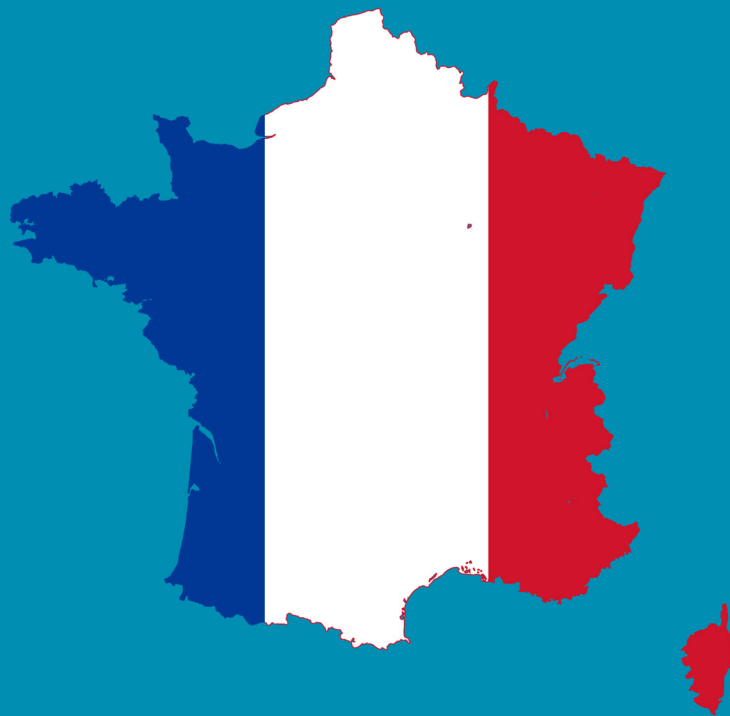


# U-MULTIRANK 2021

French Universities in Global Comparison



## U-MULTIRANK 2021

U-Multirank is a unique, multi-dimensional and international ranking of higher education institutions. It compares university performance across teaching and learning, research, knowledge transfer, international orientation and regional engagement. It is the largest and most inclusive ranking showcasing the diversity in higher education around the world. It is not a league table and does not use composite indicators, nor reputation weights. Therefore, there is no one best university in U-Multirank. The performance of a university is presented with individual scores – graded from 'A' (very good) to 'E' (weak) across the different areas.

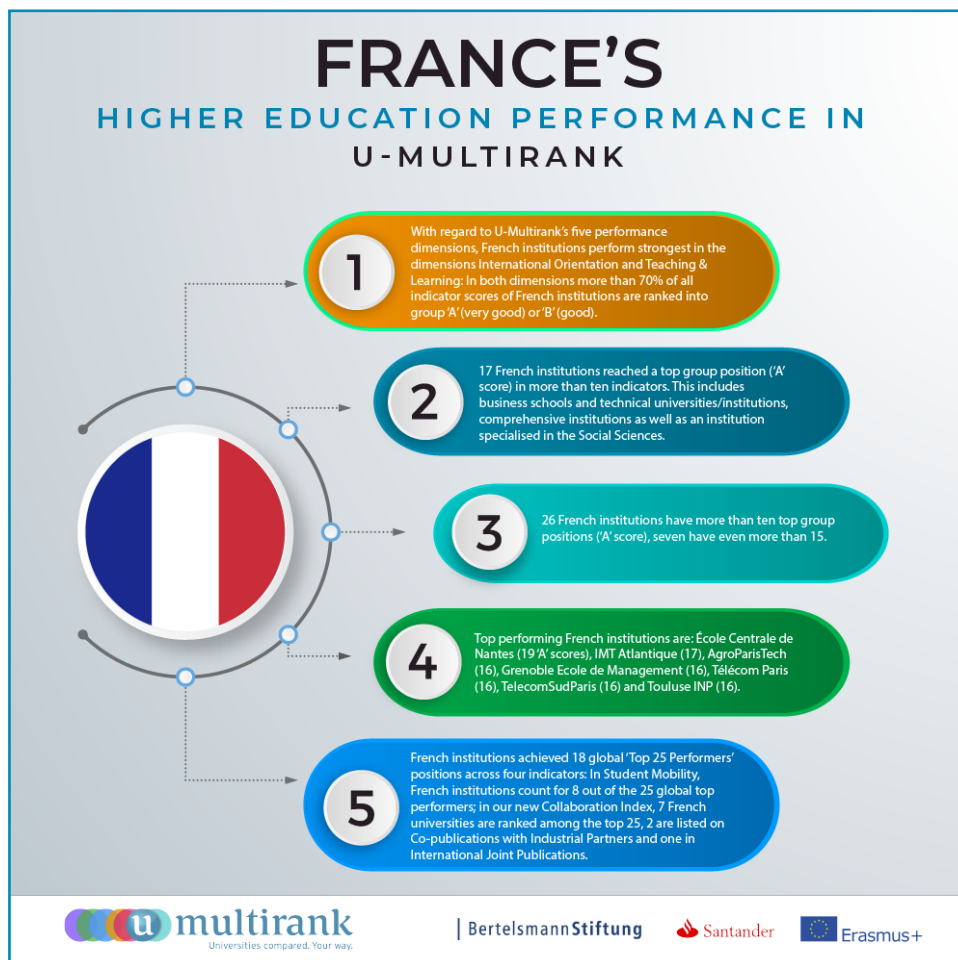
U-Multirank's 2021 edition presents data on 61 French higher education institutions. For the full list of all universities from France included in U-Multirank, please visit our [website](#).

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## AT A GLANCE: HOW DO FRENCH UNIVERSITIES FARE IN U-MULTIRANK?

- With regard to U-Multirank's five performance dimensions, French institutions perform strongest in the dimensions International Orientation and Teaching & Learning: In both dimensions more than 70% of all indicator scores of French institutions are ranked into group 'A' (very good) or 'B' (good).
- 17 French institutions reached a top group position ('A' score) in more than ten indicators. This includes business schools and technical universities/institutions, comprehensive institutions as well as an institution specialised in the Social Sciences.
- 26 French institutions have more than ten top group positions ('A' score), seven have even more than 15.
- Top performing French institutions are: École Centrale de Nantes (19 'A' scores), IMT Atlantique (17), AgroParisTech (16), Grenoble Ecole de Management (16), Télécom Paris (16), TelecomSudParis (16) and Toulouse INP (16).
- French institutions achieved 18 global 'Top 25 Performers' positions across four indicators: In Student Mobility, French institutions count for 8 out of the 25 global top performers; in our new Collaboration Index, 7 French universities are ranked among the top 25, 2 are listed on Co-publications with Industrial Partners and one in International Joint Publications.



## WHICH ARE THE TOP PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN FRANCE?

École Centrale de Nantes received the highest number of 'A' (very good) scores on the institutional level for France in 2021.

In this section we highlight the universities receiving the highest number of 'A' (very good) scores on the institutional level for the respective country.

Although the number of 'A' scores shows top performance for the respective university, it does not imply one university is the 'best' in the country, as each university profile highlights different strengths.

French universities with the highest number of overall top scores in 2021	Total 'A' scores 2021	Total 'A' scores 2020
<a href="#">École Centrale de Nantes</a>	19 ↑	16
<a href="#">IMT Atlantique</a>	17 ↑	16
<a href="#">AgroParisTech (Paris Institute of technology for life, food and environmental sciences)</a>	16 ↑	15
<a href="#">Grenoble Ecole de Management</a>	16 ↑	12
<a href="#">Télécom Paris</a>	16 ↓	18
<a href="#">Télécom SudParis</a>	16 ↑	13
<a href="#">Toulouse INP</a>	16 ↑	15

The list includes different profiles of institutions: comprehensive universities, as well as business schools and technical universities.

# WHAT ARE THE PERFORMANCE PROFILES OF FRANCE'S TOP SCORING UNIVERSITIES?

Using our unique sunburst chart, a clear picture is shown of the university's overall performance (the longer the bar, the higher the score).



## U-MULTIRANK PRESENTS SUNBURSTS

### PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

<b>TEACHING &amp; LEARNING</b>	1 Bachelor graduation rate
	2 Masters graduation rate
	3 Graduating on time (Bachelors)
	4 Graduating on time (Masters)
<b>RESEARCH</b>	5 External research income
	6 Research publications (size-normalized)
	7 Art related output
	8 Citation rate
	9 Topcited publications
	10 Interdisciplinary publications
	11 Post-doc positions
<b>KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER</b>	12 Income from private sources
	13 Co-publications with industrial partners
	14 Patents awarded (size-normalized)
	15 Industry co-patents
	16 Spin-offs
	17 Publications cited in patents
	18 Income from continuous professional development
	19 Foreign language bachelor programmes
<b>INTERNATIONAL ORIENTATION</b>	20 Foreign language master programmes
	21 Student mobility
	22 International academic staff
	23 International doctorate degrees
<b>REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT</b>	24 International joint publications
	25 Bachelor graduates working in the region
	26 Student internships in the region
	27 Regional joint publications
	28 Income from regional sources
	29 Master graduates working in the region

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For a list of definitions and calculations of indicators, see our [Indicator Book](#).

# WHAT DO FRENCH UNIVERSITIES DO BEST?

16 French universities have achieved a global Top 25 score in 2021

## TOP 25 PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN STUDENT MOBILITY

By U-Multirank



In this list we present the U-Multirank 2020 top performers on the indicator 'student mobility'. Having an international student body and offering students the opportunity to study part of their degree-programme abroad is an indication of the international orientation of a university. In order to provide a full picture of mobility and international exchange U-Multirank takes into account both incoming and outgoing mobility.

America

1

Europe

22

Africa

1

Asia

1

- Varna University of Management (Bulgaria)
- National Research Nuclear University MEPhI (Moscow Engineering Physics Institute) (Russian Federation)
- EURECOM (France)
- École Centrale de Nantes (France)
- Stockholm School of Economics (Sweden)
- Rennes School of Business (France)
- Jönköping University (Sweden)
- AgroSup Dijon - Christophe TARRAGON (France)
- Kühne Logistics University (Germany)
- WHU - Otto Beisheim School of Management (Germany)
- Lund University (Sweden)
- Blekinge Institute of Technology (Sweden)
- Munich Business School (Germany)
- Rezekne Academy of Technologies (Latvia)
- Sciences Po (France)
- Kufstein Tyrol University of Applied Sciences (Austria)
- Tecnológico de Monterrey (Mexico)
- Latvian Maritime Academy (Latvia)
- Newmaninstitutet (Sweden)
- Toulouse Business School (France)
- Lincoln University College Malaysia (Malaysia)
- International School of Management (ISM) (Germany)
- Audencia Business School (France)
- emlyon Business School (France)
- Al Akhawayn University (AUJ) (Morocco)

\*The list is sorted by indicator scores in descending order; possible ties are not marked.



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## Globally Top Performing French Universities

In this section, U-Multirank presents the global Top 25 performers in a set of 10 indicators measuring different dimensions of performance. These lists highlight the 25 top-performing universities from around the world with the highest scores.

French universities that have achieved a global Top 25 score are listed under the respective categories:

### Student mobility

- [Audencia Business School](#)
- [École Centrale de Nantes](#)
- [EM Normandie Business School](#)
- [EURECOM](#)
- [Institut Supérieur de l'Aéronautique et de l'Espace - SU-PAERO \(ISAE-SUPAERO\)](#)
- [Rennes School of Business](#)
- [Sciences Po](#)
- [TBS](#)

### Co-publications with industrial partners

- [EURECOM](#)
- [Institut Supérieur de l'Aéronautique et de l'Espace - SU-PAERO \(ISAE-SUPAERO\)](#)

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## Globally Top Performing French Universities

### International joint publications

- [emlyon business school](#)

*\*For the full lists of all global Top 25 performers,  
please visit our [website](#).*

### Collaboration Index

- [Bordeaux INP](#)
- [EDHEC Business School](#)
- [ESIEE PARIS - School of Engineering](#)
- [ESSEC Business School](#)
- [Institut Agro](#)
- [Toulouse INP](#)

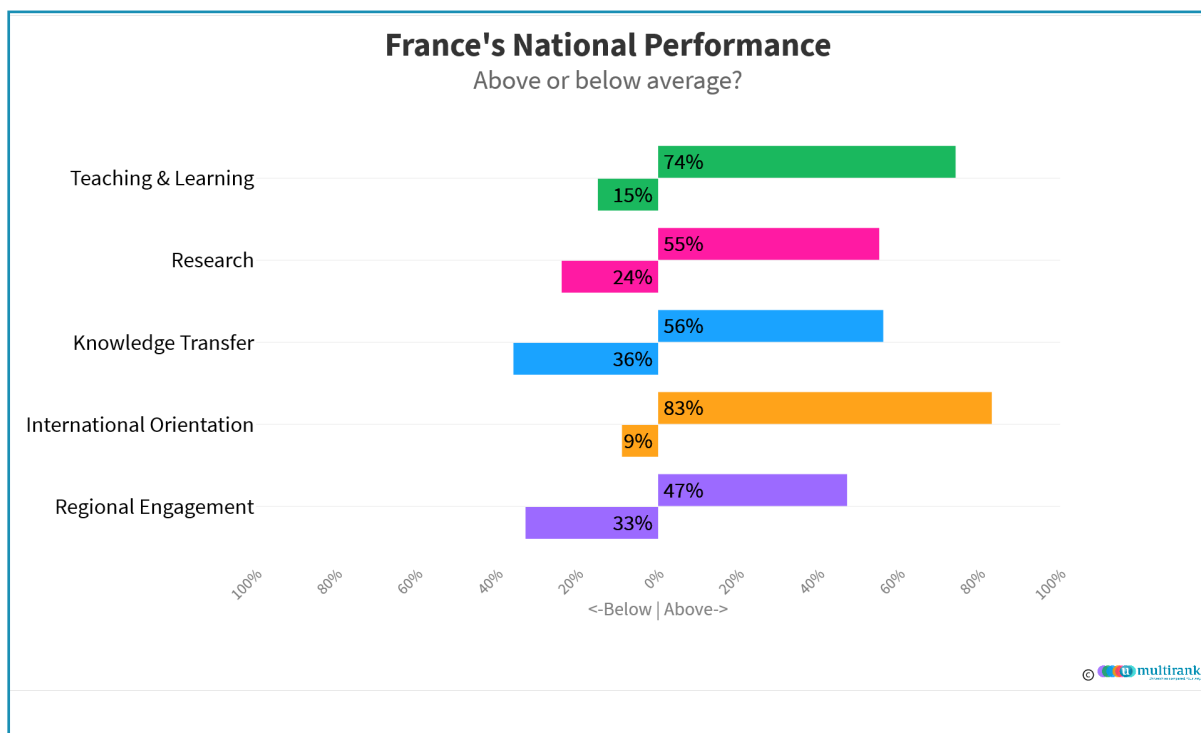
# HOW DO FRENCH UNIVERSITIES PERFORM GLOBALLY?

French higher education institutions perform strongest in U-Multirank's International Orientation dimension.

## Above or below average?

In this section we highlight the overall performance of French universities on the institutional level per U-Multirank dimension.

The below table shows the national breakdown of French universities and how they stand across the spectrum of above average (receiving a score of 'A' (very good) or 'B' (good)), or below average (receiving a score of 'D' (below average) or 'E' (weak)). In doing so, U-Multirank offers a clear picture on the countries strengths, and areas for improvement.





# APPENDIX

## DETAILED RESULTS

If you want to analyse further the performance of the universities in your country you can click the following links.

The below links lead directly to the national results pages where we pre-filtered the universities in your country into one list (for the university as a whole and for the subject areas included in U-Multirank so far). You can use the table to produce national rankings (see image below), or for personalised interactive analyses with the data.

If you're interested in tailor-made tables (institutional level, subject level, or with a specific focus in mind, such as internationalisation), please contact us, at [info@umultirank.org](mailto:info@umultirank.org). These links are also accessible via your country's 'Study in' page.

University Your selection: 60 universities										
Level of study: bachelor, master Regions: France,										
8.9.2021 dev.umultirank.org	Teaching & Learning		Research		Knowledge Transfer		International Orientation		Regional Engagement	
	Bachelor graduation rate	Graduating on time (masters)	Citation rate	Research publications (size-normalised)	Co-publications with industrial partners	Patents awarded (size-normalised)	Student mobility	International joint publications	Bachelor graduates working in the region	Regional joint publications
École Centrale de Nantes	FR	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	-	A
Télécom Paris	FR	-	A	B	A	A	A	A	-	A
IMT Atlantique	FR	A	B	C	A	A	A	A	B	B
Toulouse INP	FR	A	B	B	A	A	A	B	-	A
Bordeaux INP	FR	-	B	C	A	A	A	A	-	A
Montpellier SupAgro	FR	-	B	A	A	C	E	A	B	A
AgroParisTech	FR	A	-	A	A	A	D	B	B	E
Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1	FR	D	D	B	A	A	A	C	A	-
Télécom SudParis	FR	-	A	C	A	A	E	B	A	-
Audencia Business School	FR	A	A	A	D	D	E	A	A	B

### U-Multirank's National University Rankings 2021-2022 – France

- [Institutional Rankings](#)

- [Pharmacy \(updated\)](#)
- [Psychology \(updated\)](#)
- [Social Work \(updated\)](#)

\* to view, select the respective study subject, then select either 'filter by country', or 'go straight to the comparison'.

### U-Multirank's Subject Rankings 2021-2022 – France

- [Agriculture \(NEW\)](#)
- [Veterinary Science \(NEW\)](#)
- [Dentistry \(updated\)](#)
- [Medicine \(updated\)](#)
- [Nursing \(updated\)](#)

### Press materials:

- [Advanced press release \(includes graphics and tables for download in Appendix\)](#)
- [FAQ](#)
- [Overview Infographic 2021](#)



## WHAT IS U-MULTIRANK?

U-Multirank is a multidimensional, user-driven approach to international ranking of higher education institutions. It compares the performances of higher education institutions – in short: universities – in the five dimensions of university activity:

(1) teaching and learning, (2) research, (3) knowledge transfer, (4) international orientation and (5) regional engagement.

The U-Multirank web tool enables comparisons at the level of the university as a whole and at the level of specific study programmes. Based on empirical data, U-Multirank compares institutions with similar institutional profiles ('like-with-like') and allows users to develop their own personalised rankings by selecting indicators in terms of their own preferences.

Based on the results of a feasibility study covering 150 universities which was carried out in 2010/11, the European Commission decided to fund the implementation of U-Multirank. This roll out is carried out by a consortium led by Professor Frans van Vught of the Center for Higher Education Policy Studies (CHEPS), University of Twente in the Netherlands and Professor Frank Ziegele of the Centre for Higher Education (CHE) in Germany as well as the Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) from Leiden University and Fundacion CYD. U-Multirank is funded by the European Commission, the Bertelsmann Foundation and Banco Santander. The consortium also works closely with a range of national ranking partners and stakeholder organisations.

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