

# Program Young Adults 15-17 years old

Open and cosmopolitan, Biarritz is one of the most prestigious seaside resorts on the Atlantic coast and one of the most welcoming cities in France that has preserved its identity.

The duration of the program is 1 week minimum from 25/06/2023 to 12/08/2023. Arrival is on Sunday before 1 p.m., and departure is on Saturday.

# general French - 20 lessons / week

Language lessons take place Monday to Friday. The juniors are divided into groups of levels of up to 14 learners. The written and oral tests are done on the first day of classes.

On Monday, a meeting is organized to introduce staff members, hand over schedules and divide students into groups.



# Sports activities – 4 sessions / week

#### **Surf lessons**

A swim test will be held at the beginning of the stay. All participants in the junior program in Biarritz must know how to swim.

Surf lessons will be held **4 times a week for 1h30**. Schedules may vary depending on the tides and weather conditions. In case of bad conditions that would make surfing impossible, canceled sessions will be postponed by the provider or replaced by sport activities.

During the surf lessons, the young students will be divided into groups of 8 maximum with a surf instructor graduated from a State Patent of surfing instructor or a BPJEPS mention: surf (Professional Certificate of the Youth, of the Popular Education and Sport).

The teachers will address a theme on this sport during class time to facilitate the understanding of surf lessons and to address local sporting events.

The practice of surfing will allow juniors to communicate and exchange on a common interest and share in French and will participate in group dynamics, cohesion and solidarity.

#### **International house biarritz garantees**

- 4 sport sessions of 1h30 / week
- Each activity is supervized by a qualified professional
- All material provided for the activities.
- A swim test is performed at the beginning of your stay on an adapted place.

# Social program

The Junior Program of International House Biarritz has a program of activities in addition to the sport sessions:

- A convenient city tour on the Monday of arrival for new students
- One cultural visit per week (half-day excursion on Wednesday afternoon and / or a full day on Saturday in Bayonne, Saint Jean de Luz, Biarritz, Hendaye)
- Social and cultural activities: 2 events per week, on Wednesday afternoon and Saturday, to allow students to practice French together (football tournaments, beach volley competitions, quizzes, photo competitions, treasure hunts ...).
- The Friday evening is organized by International House Biarritz to promote exchanges between students. The other evenings are free, within the host family for total immersion.

## Full board accommodation in host family

Staying with a host family is a **unique intercultural experience** that we highly recommend to all our students. You will **share unique moments of daily life** with your family, **practicing your French** in real situations.

All our host families are carefully selected by our team and live maximum 30 minutes by public transport from the school. Each family hosts one or more students with a different mother tongue, in a **twin bedrooom**.

Breakfasts and dinners will be taken with the host families. Packed lunches will be provided for outdoor lunches.

#### **Useful information**

#### **Security**

The school requests a medical certificate or signed statement from parents for each junior (medical history and recommendations).

## **Exit permissions**

For insurance and security reasons, the curfew is 11:00 p.m. on weekdays and 1:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings.

## The standards of supervision

- One teacher in charge of 14 juniors maximum per group
- A leader in charge of 12 juniors maximum per group on excursion
- A bathing supervisor and a supervisor in charge of 8 juniors max during activities in the water.
- A director for 100 students and a deputy for every 50 additional minors.

A weekly schedule is set up as well as the control of the number of minors accommodated. **An emergency number** will be set up.

#### **Transportation**

Transport between host families and the course venue is by public transport. Price not included in the program.

#### **Transfers**

Transfers are included from Biarritz Airport or train station. A member of the International House Biarritz team or a member of the family will pick up the student on arrival and accompany them on the day of departure. The details of the trip must be confirmed 15 days before the arrival of the student at the latest (place and time of arrival, flight number ...).

# why choose us?

#### Live an unforgettable experience in France

- 1. International students to make friends from all over the world
- 2. Accommodation in host families for a complete immersion
- 3. Qualified, experienced teachers with university degrees and trained in teaching French as a foreign language
- 4. Classes dedicated to juniors: 14 students per class maximum

# our pedagogy

# our objectives

The objective of the course is to improve their **oral and written communication, strengthen their vocabulary and grammar points**, develop their knowledge of French culture and civilization, and express themselves fluently and fluently in different situations.

During their courses, the teachers will address the four areas of competence of the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference), namely: oral expression and comprehension and written expression and comprehension.

The content developed has an action-oriented approach with **various activities** created in line with the audience and the level of the groups, thus **promoting oral expression** while laying the foundations of the written word.

The teaching team will animate attractive, pleasant and enjoyable lessons through playful educational activities, such as group or pair activities in their class, and interactions with other level groups during pedagogical aspects events related to the life of the school.

#### our innovative methodology

**Cooperative Language Learning** is based on the practice of the language in real-life situations, using many different classroom environments. (*In the classroom, outside of the class, on the FL Online platform, on the Mooc offered by FL*).

The use of all the teaching **technologies and methodologies** available creates a complete experience with a full support for the learner.