

MAIN DOCUMENTS TO BRING TO FRANCE

This is a non-exhaustive list of documents to bring with you during your stay in France – the list may vary depending on your nationality and the length of your visit.

- Hosting Agreement / Convention d'accueil d'un chercheur ou d'un enseignant étranger Cerfa 16079**
(original document + copies)
For non-European researchers
- Valid passport:** make sure to extend or renew your passport before your arrival if it is due to expire during your stay!
- Most recent degree certificates obtained** (original documents and translation in French + copies)
- Proof of grant or funding for your visit** (original + copy)
- Health insurance certificate:** European Health Insurance Card for EU nationals or a private scheme with proof of accident and health cover during your stay in France
- Birth certificate with parentage (name of the parents)**
*The original document is required for you and each member of your family accompanying you to France. It must be apostilled or legalised depending on the country in which the birth certificate was issued. If it is not in French, your birth certificate will also need to be translated by a sworn translator.
Contact the French consular authorities in your home country before leaving.*
- Marriage certificate if your spouse accompanies you** (original document and translation in French* + copies)
- Proof of income for the previous years:** most recent tax return if available
- Vaccination certificates and medical record**, particularly for your children if they accompany you to France (compulsory for children attending school)
- Your children's school records** if they accompany you to France
- Your driving license;** if you plan to drive in France

*For documents that need to be translated, you should opt directly for a **sworn translator in France**.
The French authorities will only accept documents translated by a sworn translator in France.
The list of sworn translators is available here: <https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/R45936?lang=en>
Search in the H-02 TRADUCTION section.
Translators are classified according to the language.*

*Remember to scan all documents for security.
Don't forget to bring the original documents which are essential for the procedures*