

DEL F - Diploma in French Language Studies *Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française*

The DELF is an official diploma delivered by the National Education Board to certify the foreign candidates' competences in French. The DELF is composed with 4 independent diplomas corresponding to the first four levels of the European Framework of Reference for Languages.

DEL F A1

This level recognises basic knowledge. It is the most basic level at which a language is used, called the "discovery" stage. At this stage, the learner can interact in a simple way: he/she can speak about him/herself and his/her immediate environment.

DEL F A2

Based on the same principle: it recognises the linguistic competency of a basic user, considered as a social actor. The candidate can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring the most common polite phrases and exchanges of information.

DEL F B1

At this level, the user becomes independent. He/she can maintain interaction: he/she can understand and maintain a discussion and give his/her opinion. He/she is capable of dealing with situations likely to arise in daily life.

DEL F B2

A B2 user has a degree of independence that allows him/her to construct arguments to defend his/her opinion, explain his/her viewpoint and negotiate. At this level, the candidate has a degree of fluency and spontaneity in regular interactions and is capable of correcting his/her own mistakes.

DAL F - Diploma in Advanced French Language Studies *Diplôme Approfondi de Langue Française*

The DALF is an official diploma delivered by the French National Education board to certify French competences of the foreign candidates. The DALF is composed of 2 independent diplomas corresponding to the last two levels of the Framework European of Reference for Languages.

People who have passed the DALF (C1 or C2) are exempt from taking language tests for entrance into French universities.

DAL F C1

Language users at level C1 are independent. They can express themselves fluently and spontaneously. They have a large vocabulary and can choose the appropriate expression to introduce their comments. They can produce clear, well-structured discourse without hesitation and which shows controlled use of structures.

DAL F C2

C2 users' proficiency in the language is illustrated by precision, appropriateness and fluency of expression. C2 candidates are capable of using the language for academic and advanced-level purposes.