

**FIRST CLASS
MERCHANT NAVY OFFICER
AND SEAGOING ENGINEER**

École Nationale Supérieure Maritime

**FRENCH MARITIME
ACADEMY**

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FIRST CLASS MERCHANT NAVY OFFICER / ENGINEER

SEAGOING SPECIALTY



**TARGETED LEVEL
OF STUDIES**
5-YEAR DIPLOMA



DURATION
5 YEARS



LOCATION
MARSEILLE
/ LE HAVRE



FEES
€1600 PER YEAR
€8000 PER YEAR OUTSIDE THE EU
FOR 2026-27 ACADEMIC YEAR

The French Maritime Academy's engineer course is a scientific and technical training comprised of theoretical classes, practical work, real-life ship simulations and seagoing internships. It is a 5-year course to train Dual-Purpose Officers (deck and engine) in the merchant navy, and to deliver the Merchant Navy Post-Graduate Diploma (DESM - Diplôme d'Études Supérieures de la Marine Marchande) and the title of Engineer recognised by the Commission for Engineering Titles (CTI - Commission des Titres d'Ingénieur).

100%
Employment integration
rate

ADDRESS

Marseille Campus
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Le Havre Campus
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76600 Le Havre
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PRATICAL INFO

Scholarships: the French Maritime Academy grants scholarships based on social criteria

Marseille Campus in the heart of the Pointe Rouge neighbourhood.

Le Havre Campus in the heart of the university campus of Le Havre city

OPEN DAYS

Open days dates are available on our website:
www.supmaritime.fr

STUDIES ORGANISATION

The first six semesters take place at the Marseille campus. The programme consists of theoretical lectures, tutorials and practical work, as well as simulator sessions.

The following four semesters, leading to the DESMM and the title of Seagoing Engineer, are completed in Le Havre. In the final year, options will be offered.

Internships on a board commercial vessels take place throughout the course of study, including one full semester.

The course includes compulsory training in handling emergency situations on board (firefighting, medical assistance, survival at sea, etc ...).

COURSES TAUGHT

- Marine sciences: Navigation, manoeuvring, meteorology, steering rules, navigation marks and signals, navigation simulator,
- Shipbuilding, operations and safety: stability, loading calculations, Certificate of Fitness for the Operation of Lifeboats and Liferafts, Advanced Fire-Fighting Certificate, crisis management, ECDIS, certifications (SSO, COG),
- Marine engineering: Thermal and auxiliary machinery, propulsion, maintenance, technical management, engine simulator, design and construction,
- Electrical engineering, electronics and automation: High Voltage (HV) certification and training,
- Scientific fundamentals: Mathematics, strength of materials, mechanics, energy sciences, waves,
- Humanities and social sciences: Technical and general English, written expression, law, economics and management, reports and dissertations,
- On-board training and professional practice: On-board training, familiarisation with emergency situations, on-board service.

FURTHER STUDIES

Possibility to pursue into:

- Specialised master's degree (Mastère spécialisé) (ports, cybersecurity, management, economy, ...)
- PhD

CAREER PROSPECTS

The seagoing specialisation enables students to obtain internationally recognised maritime certifications.

- First Class Merchant Navy Officer Diploma DEO1MM (diplôme d'élève Officier de 1ère classe de la Marine Marchande)
- Merchant Navy Post-Graduate Diploma DESMM (Diplôme d'Études Supérieures de la Marine Marchande)

The seagoing engineers are qualified to perform the highest duties on the deck and in the engine room as Master or Chief Engineer, on all types of commercial vessels, unlimited to tonnage or power. They lead the ship's crew, are responsible for safety, and coordinate activities on board.

RECRUITMENT

- Registration on parcoursup.fr for secondary school students and baccalaureate holders with no other diplomas.
- Registration on supmaritime.fr for qualifications-based recruitment (candidates with a 2-year diploma or 120 ECTS) or vocational retraining.

Seafarers must meet the physical fitness requirements defined internationally. Upon admission, candidates must provide a certificate of physical fitness for seafaring issued by a doctor from the seafarers' health service.



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