

SUMMER SCHOOL BLUE ECONOMY

STUDENT

Duration : 10 days
on 2 weeks
Code : Summer School BE

OBJECTIVES

Raising awareness of sustainable and inclusive issues in the maritime economy.



FOR WHOM?

Eligibility

French and international students pursuing studies in engineering or related to the maritime field

Admission requirements

- French and international students pursuing higher education in engineering at Bachelor's level (or equivalent) who wish to develop their experience in the field of the Blue Economy. Master's and PhD students are also eligible. Candidates from all disciplines are welcome, but they must demonstrate clear motivation to engage in the field of the Blue Economy.
- A B1 level in English is required to follow the programme.

Academic calendar

Full time

Tuition fees

1000 euros

Price includes tuition fees, teaching costs and cultural visits. Excludes accommodation, living expenses and insurance.
Group rates and preferential rates available for enrolments before 31 March 2026: please contact the campus for further information.

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Saint-Nazaire

Open from June 29 to July 10, 2026 (limited seats available)

29-june

Welcome to students, presentation of the programme and objectives
Icebreaker activity and formation of project subgroups
Visit to the Ecomuseum and the submarine base in Saint-Nazaire

30-june

Conference: current events, challenges and prospects for the Blue Economy
Overview of local, national and international stakeholders
Workshop on mapping global maritime issues
Group debriefing at the end of the day

1-july

Company testimonials:
- Sail-powered shipping
- Microalgae production (company visit)
- Bio-based products (presentation by a start-up)
Creativity workshop : designing a Blue Economy product or service using recycled materials
Sub-group work on the collaborative project

2-july

Introduction to low-tech principles
Case study in the Blue Lab collaborative workshop
Simulation of a council meeting on a sustainable port project
Debriefing and progress report on student projects

3-july

Day trip to Puy du Fou

4 & 5 july : week-end**6-july**

Visit to Chantiers de l'Atlantique : design of cruise ships and transport vessels
Visit to the offshore wind farm off the coast of La Baule Bay
Meeting with a marine biotechnology researcher

7-july

Tour of the port of Nantes-Saint Nazaire
Workshop on visualising maritime flows and logistical challenges
Group debriefing

8-july

Meeting with companies from the port of Nantes-Saint Nazaire
Presentation of circular economic models
Subgroup work on student projects

9-july

2 : 30 hour cruise
Organised or independent tour in Nantes and return journey by TER

10-july

Final presentation of student projects to a panel (teachers + professionals)
Presentation of certificates of participation
Collective publication of an article or LinkedIn post about the experience