Carte de Sejour: French Residency Application

What is the Carte de Sejour?
To legally reside in France for more than 90 days, students are required to apply for the resident's permit known as the "carte de sejour". The French residency card presents considerable advantages to students and is not difficult to obtain, provided the correct paperwork is duly completed, and stamped by the French consulate.

Advantages of the Carte de Sejour
- Students may work for up to 20 hours per week in France
- Students will benefit from the French Government’s Housing Subsidy (about 110 euros per month starting the 2nd month of their stay)
- Students may circulate freely within Europe without needing additional visas from other countries

Procedure to obtain the Carte de Sejour:
- The OFII Form is required to be filled out in part by the student, stamped by the French Consulate and turned in to Georgia Tech Lorraine in Metz upon arrival. This is the form that will be required from the student in France to get the Residence Permit.
- Students only need to complete the top section of OFII form and must be submitted in your visa application packet. Please use the help guide and translation here below to fill out the OFII Application Form

In the United States Before submitting the form with their visa application, students must fill out the top section of the OFII form according to the following guidelines:

![OFII Form](image)

1. Last name at birth/maiden name
2. First name
3. Married name
4. Gender
5. Born on: DD/MM/YYYY
6. In: City
7. Country
8. Family info: check as applicable: single / married / widowed / divorced / separated
9. Father’s last name
10. Father’s first name
11. Mother’s maiden name
12. Mother’s first name
13. Applicant’s nationality
14. Passport number
15. Date passport was issued: DD/MM/YYYY
16. Place passport was issued: city and state if available and country
In France, the staff at GT-L Metz, will collect the students' OFII forms, will help them complete their application packets and will take those directly to the French government authorities. The student's OFII application packet will include the following documents:

- The OFII form stamped by the consulate and duly completed with the student's visa number
- The student's date of entry in France or the Schengen area
- The student's address in France
- A copy of the ID pages of the student's passport and of the immigration stamp received at the border
- A notarized or certified copy of the student's birth certificate in English
- A 55 euro application fee

The OMI (Office des Migrations Internationales) will require each applicant to undergo a short medical examination. The cost of this medical examination is included in the 55 euro fee.