

Specificities of the French educational system

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Abstract: I will first describe the French educational system in general and then concentrate on the differences with other countries, especially in higher education. I will explain the untranslatable terms of "classes préparatoires pour grandes écoles", "agrégation interne et externe", and many acronyms like "CAPES", "ENS", "MPSI", "PCSI". And then concentrate on teacher recruitment and training. Please address me your questions beforehand so that I can prepare the answers in advance, as the system is very intricate and reforms very quickly.

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