

2023 TESOL Colloquium
November 17-19, 2023

ACCESS

Venue

Cité Scolaire Internationale Honoré-de-Balzac,
118 Bd Bessières
75017 Paris

Nearest Metro, RER, bus stops

<http://ratp.fr>

Line 13: Porte de Clichy (3mn walk)

RER C: Porte de Clichy

Line 14: Porte de Clichy

Bus

66 Stop: Brochant - 15 min walk / Porte Pouchet: 10 min walk

31 Stop: Brochant – 15 min walk

74, 54, 163 Stop: Porte de Clichy - 5 min walk

By air

Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) and Orly Airport (ORY) both have national, European, international flights to and from a wide range of destinations, including low-cost airlines EasyJet, Transavia, Vueling.

CDG Airport is closer to the venue than Orly.

Beauvais Airport (BVA)

Ryanair flies into Beauvais Airport (BVA), which is 80 km outside the city. The Beauvais Airport Bus (an 80-minute ride) brings travelers into Paris and drops passengers at the *Porte Maillot* metro station (line 1, see map). Taking this same bus from *Porte Maillot* is required to return to Beauvais airport. From *Porte Maillot* there is a short taxi ride to the venue. You can also take line 1, to line 13 to *Porte de Clichy*.

Directions into Paris from CDG Airport

Taxis

If you wish to take a taxi, follow the taxi signs. DO NOT accept taxi offers from

random drivers who ask you if you want a taxi. They will charge you made-up-on-the-spot prices. Once at the airport taxi rank, wait in line. Cost of getting into Paris: Flat rates from CDG are 53 euros to the right bank and 57 euros to the left bank. (Yikes! We know).

Public Transportation to Central Paris from CDG Airport

The RER is a regional train network with stops at major Métro hubs in Paris. <http://ratp.fr/>.

All trains going into Paris stop at the same stations in Central Paris. If you are staying at a hotel near the venue, you want to take the train to the station: *Chatelet* and then line 14 to *Porte de Clichy*.

It should take about 20-30 minutes to get into town. Use this time in the train to see if your cell phone works, and enjoy the music some musicians play for the tourists, etc. If possible, sit on the right-hand side of the train because: as you approach Paris, you might catch a glimpse of the beautiful Sacre Coeur on the hill.

The station before *Chatelet* is *Gare de Nord* (so you know when to get ready to get off).

Get off at *Chatelet*. On the platform, follow the signs for Metro line 14. Line 14 is a purple circle with a 14 in the middle. You will have to go through another pair of turn-style doors and re-validate your ticket to get out of the train system and into the Metro system.

If you are headed to the neighborhood of the venue, take line 14 Direction: *Mairie de Clichy*. Once on the metro, go five stops until you get to Station: *Porte de Clichy*.

To exit, follow the blue *SORTIE* signs to Blvd Bessières. The venue is on the same side of the street about less than a five-minute walk.

After you've retrieved your bags and gone through customs, look for a "Gare" sign with a train symbol. (CDG airport has two RER stations: one for Terminals 1 and 3, and the other at Terminal 2. The terminals are connected by a free CDGVAL shuttle train.)

Once at the RER station (at least a 15mn walk), you can buy tickets in two ways:

- In the ticket office, where the clerks accept payment by cash or credit card.
- From an "Île de France" ticket vending machine, which may or may not be compatible with foreign credit cards. (You'll have a better chance of success if you're using a European "smart" credit card with an embedded chip.) Clerks can speak English and machines will use English.

Buy a ticket to *Paris Central aller simple*. (one way). For a round trip, simply purchase two.

The single journey fare CDG ↔ Paris costs **€10,30**. Tickets allow connections between Metro & RER trains in Central Paris*. Paris Visite travelcard (zones 1-5) or Navigo pass (zones 1-5) can be used.

Once you have your ticket, follow the "Paris par Train" signs to the platforms. In the

station, you will have to validate your ticket and go through the metal turn-style machines. Important: keep your ticket on you at all times! You will need it to get out of the RER system. You may receive a card type ticket which can be reloaded and is electronic via a swipe system.

Go down the escalator marked "Paris par Train." When you've descended the escalator, check the electronic signboard above for train departure times and platform numbers. Lights on the overhead signs indicate the stations where the train will stop. Some are direct (if you get lucky). Trains normally depart every 10 to 20 minutes.

Directions into Paris from Orly Airport

Taxis

If you wish to take a taxi, follow the taxi signs. DO NOT accept taxi offers from random drivers who ask you if you want a taxi. They will charge you made-up-on-the-spot prices. Once at the airport taxi rank, wait in line. Cost of getting into Paris: around 35 EUR to the left bank and 37 euros to the right bank.

Public Transportation to Central Paris from Orly Airport

After you've retrieved your bags look for "OrlyVal" signs. The automated Orlyval shuttle trains connect Orly Airport's Sud (south) and Ouest (west) terminals to the *Antony* station of the RER B line, where you must transfer to an RER train into the heart of Paris. The one-way/single fare for the OrlyVal is **9.30€**. For **12.05€** you can buy a ticket that pays for both the OrlyVal and RER line B trains between Orly airport and central Paris. The total trip takes about 30 minutes.

Buy your ticket at the RATP's Orlyval/Orlybus booth in the terminal, then go up the escalator to the elevated shuttle station. Keep the ticket with you throughout the journey.

The OrlyVal will stop at the *Antony* RER B Station. Take the RER B, direction Paris (to double check you are going in the right direction, verify that the electronic boards above your RER platform highlight the main Paris stations such as *Chatelet*, *St. Michel*, and *Denfert-Rochereau*.) The RER train ride into Paris takes about 20 minutes.

Get off at *Chatelet*. On the platform, follow the signs for Metro line 14. line 14 is a purple circle with a 14 in the middle. You will have to go through another pair of turn-style doors and re-validate your ticket to get out of the train system and into the Metro system.

If you are headed to the neighborhood of the venue, take line 14 Direction *Mairie de Clichy*.

Once on the metro, go five stops until you get to station: *Porte de Clichy*. To exit, follow the blue SORTIE signs to *Blvd Bessières*. The venue is on the same side of the street, less than a five-minute walk.

By Train

Below are directions to the venue from all major train stations in Paris.

Taxis

If you wish to take a taxi from your train station, follow the taxi signs. DO NOT accept taxi offers from random drivers who ask you if you want a taxi. They will charge you made-up-on-the-spot prices.

From Gare de Nord Train Station

(Eurostar and Thalys)

Take the underground line 4 direction *Porte de Clignancourt* and exit. Cross the street to the main boulevard and take tram 3, direction *Asnières*. Continue 4 stops to *Lycee Honore de Balzac* and you have arrived at the venue.

From Gare St-Lazare Station

Take the underground line 14 direction *Mairie de Clichy* or line 13 direction *Asnières*. Exit at *Porte de Clichy* and the venue are on the same side of the street at less than a 5-minute walk.

From Gare de Lyon Train Station

Take the underground line 14 direction *Mairie de Clichy*. Exit at *Porte de Clichy* station and the venue is on the same side of the street at less than a 5-minute walk.

From Gare d'Austerlitz Train Station

Exit the station and go towards the river. Walk towards the bridge that leads to *Gare de Lyon* train station (about 10 minutes) and then take the metro line 14 direction *Mairie de Clichy*. Exit at *Porte de Clichy* station and the venue is on the same side of the street at less than a 5-minute walk.

Nearest Velib bike stations

1) next to the *Porte de Clichy* metro station

Car Parks

<https://ollo.fr//ollo-porte-de-clichy-63-boulevard-bessieres-75017-pl13/61a5fc88-6058-4f27-adae-aea9c251b414>



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