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The UPJV campuses are located in towns with a human dimension, where it is good to live, study and work. Rich heritage, cultural diversity, preserved nature, varied leisure activities... There is so much to discover and do in Amiens, Saint-Quentin, Beauvais, Laon, Creil or Cuffies-Soissons!

Amiens offers a charming setting resembling a 'small Venice'. The city, particularly the Saint-Leu district, the heart of Amiens' night-life with its many cafés, bars and restaurants along the waterfront, is criss-crossed by the canals of the Somme.

A green and blue city, Amiens has a diversity of green spaces inviting you to stroll and relax: the Parc de la Hotoie, which houses the city's zoological park; the Jardin des Plantes, one of the oldest gardens in France; the Parc Saint-Pierre and its pond, a stone's throw from the Hortillonnages, 300 hectares of floating market gardens criss-crossed by 65 kms of canals; and the landscaped cemeteries of the Madeleine (where Jules Verne is buried) and Saint-Acheul.

Dotted with contemporary works, Amiens has managed to preserve its traditions and cultivate its fabulous heritage. It is full of cultural treasures that attract many tourists every year: the Notre-Dame d'Amiens Cathedral and the Belfry, classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the mansion of the famous writer Jules Verne, the Musée de Picardie and its majestic collections, etc.

Amiens is also a young and dynamic city, which provides its inhabitants with numerous sports and cultural facilities to help everyone develop. Many events are organised throughout the year. Festivals, concerts, plays, shows, sports raids and performances of all kinds create a festive and friendly atmosphere in the city.

#### More ideas for discovery on:

http://www.amiens-tourisme.com/accueil

https://www.amiens.fr/Vivre-a-Amiens/Culture-Patrimoine

https://www.amiens.fr/Vivre-a-Amiens/Sport

https://www.amiens.fr/Vivre-a-Amiens/Jeunesse/Enseignement-superieur/STUDY-IN-AMIENS

https://www.facebook.com/DestinationAmiens/

The town of Saint-Quentin offers an exceptional alchemy in the diversity of its heritage, with its former Collegiate Church which became a Basilica, its flamboyant Gothic Town Hall, its Art Deco facades and its underground passages. It was the first city in France to integrate Art Deco into its post-war reconstruction. This exceptional heritage is promoted throughout the year through numerous events organised by the Tourist Office.

Nature lovers will appreciate the remarkable views that Saint-Quentin offers of the Marais d'Isle National Nature Reserve. This preserved natural site, located 12 km from the sources of the Somme, with its exceptionally rich flora and fauna, is the only town centre reserve in Europe. Since 2008, it has been classified as a "Special Protection Area" (SPA) for the conservation of wild birds under the European ecological network Natura 2000.

The city offers its inhabitants a rich and varied cultural programme, as well as sports and leisure activities accessible to all.

#### More ideas for discovery on:

https://www.saint-quentin.fr/

https://www.agglo-saintquentinois.fr/

https://visit.saint-quentin-tourisme.fr/lg/english/

https://www.agglo-saintquentinois.fr/passionnante/le-parc-d-isle/la-reserve-naturelle-nationale-des-marais-d-isle-1 106.html

https://www.saint-quentin.fr/1363-culture-sports-et-loisirs.htm

https://www.facebook.com/TourismeSaintQuentinois

Beauvais is located in the department of Oise, north of Paris. The city has an international airport, Beauvais-Tillé airport, also known as Paris Beauvais airport.

Beauvais has an exceptional and very diverse heritage. From the ancient ramparts to the architecture of the reconstruction and the Gothic cathedral district of Saint-Pierre, 2,000 years of history and architecture can be discovered in Beauvais! The city and its surroundings offer a large number of tourist trails, shops, leisure facilities and places of interest.

#### More ideas for discovery on:

https://www.visitbeauvais.fr/en/ https://culture.beauvais.fr/ http://www.beauvais.fr/ http://www.beauvaisis.fr/

Ideally located at the entrance to the Oise Regional Nature Park, Creil is a pleasant place to live where residents can enjoy numerous green spaces, playgrounds and allotments.

Marked by the history of earthenware, the heritage of Creillois and its promotion are at the heart of the city's cultural and associative activities.

Numerous places and infrastructures welcome the inhabitants in order to allow them a cosmopolitan and intergenerational access to culture.

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https://www.creil.fr/decouvrir-creil http://creilsudoise-tourisme.fr/

Surrounded by state forests, 1h45 from Paris and Roissy-Charles de Gaulle airport, Laon has the particularity of having a wooded geographical centre and being surrounded by marshes and ponds. Perched on a hillock and surrounded by 8 km of ramparts, from which the Notre-Dame de Laon cathedral radiates for miles around, the city of Laon invites you to discover more than six centuries of history, with more than 80 listed historical monuments and its medieval city. Laon has many cultural and sporting facilities and organises numerous events throughout the year.

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https://www.tourisme-paysdelaon.com/ https://www.facebook.com/tourisme.laon A charming city of 30,000 inhabitants, Soissons is full of treasures! Although the episode of the Soissons vase has long contributed to its fame, Soissons is not only known in school books. Nicknamed "the white city" because of the many monuments built with limestone, Soissons is a true historical cradle retracing 2,000 years of history.

Soissons benefits from exceptional natural assets: its green spaces, its river and its architecture are jewels that have been preserved and enhanced, offering a remarkable living environment to its inhabitants.

Music & Dance Centre (Cité de la Musique et de la Danse), museums, sports facilities... culture, sport and leisure are not left out in Soissons! You will easily find something to occupy your evenings and weekends!

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http://www.ville-soissons.fr/accueil-315.html https://www.tourisme-soissons.com/ https://www.facebook.com/Tourisme-Soissons