

2022 Fall Semester in France

Sept. 1 – Nov. 28, 2022

AN AFFORDABLE SEMESTER ABROAD FOR EVERY STUDENT

Saint Francis University's semester abroad program in France is a **once-in-a-lifetime experience** available to students in every major. Students stay in the University's renovated facility in Ambialet, located in south-western France. The site is perched on a hilltop overlooking the Tarn River and the village of Ambialet. The program is based in Ambialet but includes extended stays in Paris, Barcelona and Amsterdam. Students profit from numerous visits to important sites in the region. Visits to museums, monuments and natural sites are enhanced by local events. The Fall Semester in France is shorter than the spring semester which means you will not need a visa (a savings of about \$500). **The Semester in France is the same tuition, room & board costs as a semester in Loretto.** Your financial aid applies. You will see three of Europe's greatest cities and discover a spectacular region of France. You will meet both young and old in every location we visit, as well as in Ambialet, our home village. Castles, museums, hikes, local events, wonderful food, wine and cheese tastings, and great fall weather ... what's not to like?

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SEMESTER IN FRANCE COURSES

The core academic program is 9 credits (FREN, FNAR and RLST). Everyone participates in the 3 core courses because they form the basis of the program, directly linked to nearly all activities, and teach how to approach another culture. The courses are fun and students inevitably appreciate them immensely. Additional courses offered in France (listed below) are optional. Students may also take on-line courses to help maintain their progress toward graduation.

BIOL 205 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credits) Basic course in the study of the structure and function of the human body. The specialized structure and function of each organ system is studied at the cellular, tissue, and organ level of organization, as well as homeostatic mechanisms. This semester specifically covers the integumentary, skeletal, muscular, nervous, and sensory systems. Includes a 3-credit lecture and corresponding 1-credit lab component, both of which will be conducted online. NOTE: To take this course online, a grade of B- or higher in BIOL 111 and BIOL 111 lab is a requirement.

CORE 407 The Creative Power of Identity (3 credits) Is identity a personal discovery, an intentional creation, or a construction provided by cultural and political institutions? Students will examine the concepts of personal and collective identity through the prisms of psychology, sociology, European history and the arts. Students synthesize and apply ideas through written brief reflections, discussions in class, group presentations, and a longer reflective essay related to one of the cities that we visit or our local town, that demonstrates an understanding of identity and an appreciation of diversity. These ideas and concepts will be expanded within the art studio and the Ambialet site. Here students will be individually and collaboratively supported in making artwork that explores questions of identity using traditional and non-traditional processes; painting, sculpture, the body, objects, ritual and time-based work etc.

FNAR 102 Culture and Values (3 credits) An exploration of three European cities, with a focus on the role cities and urban public spaces play in shaping today's European culture and values. In parallel with the historical context and 'built-form' of the city, the course will explore the notion of community and citizenship through lectures, creative project work, and immersive city tours, which will encourage reflection and thinking-in-action about the world around us.

FREN 112 Intensive Elementary French (3 credits) Functional skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing; introduction to French and Francophone culture. Fulfills language requirement. No prerequisite.

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FREN 201 Intermediate French I or **FREN 202 Intermediate French II** (3 credits ea.) Grammar review and further development of communicative skills and cross-cultural competence through cultural readings in French. Focus on oral proficiency and written expression. Prerequisite for 201: FREN 102 or equivalent (3 yrs. of high school French) Prerequisite for 202: FREN 201 or equivalent (4 yrs. of high school French).

RLST 390 Early and Medieval Church History & Architecture: Focus on Pilgrimage (3 credits) This course aims to make clearer the policies of the Roman Catholic Church across Western Europe – and especially France – during the Middle Ages. In an introductory class on pre-historical times and Antiquity, we will examine the birth of spirituality and abstract thought in mankind, and then move along to the emergence and development of Christianity during the Roman Empire.

2022 FALL SEMESTER IN FRANCE APPLICATION

Return completed **application** to the Office for Study Abroad (205 Scotus Hall) along with a **statement of purpose** (explanation below), current **transcript**, a copy of your **passport** (or, if you do not yet have your passport, a copy of your passport application) and a deposit of **\$300** made payable to Saint Francis University. The deposit will be applied to the student account. A link for travel forms will be sent to you when your application is submitted. When all travel forms are completed, acceptance is considered. Students will be notified if they are denied acceptance. Please see study abroad requirements listed below.

Name: _____ ☐ male ☐ female Student ID # _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____
street city/town state zip

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Major: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____ ☐ Fr. ☐ So. ☐ Jr. ☐ Sr.
at the time of the program

Foreign Language Experience (please list all foreign languages that you have studied):

language	number of years studied	college/high school
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Emergency Contacts Information (We will notify this person via email upon your arrival in France.)

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Statement of Purpose

Please attach your typed Statement of Purpose to this application. Limit your statement to 250-300 words. Address why you want to study abroad, your travel experience, if any, and some additional information about yourself (interests, goals, if this program influenced your college choice, etc.).

Requirements to Study Abroad

At the time of application students must have a 2.7 GPA for the semester-long program or a 2.5 GPA for any of the short-term programs (anything lower requires approval from the program director). Passing grades (C or better) in key subject areas may also be required. Students must have successfully completed at least one semester, and preferably one year, at Saint Francis University before studying abroad. Students must demonstrate emotional stability and maturity and indicate the ability to lead a responsible and healthy life abroad as a representative of the U.S. and Saint Francis University. Students must submit the application and all travel forms to the Office for Study Abroad (see application process below) before acceptance into any study abroad program will be considered. Previous health, academic, or disciplinary problems, may influence the decision.

Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy

Withdrawal from any Saint Francis University study or service abroad program must be made in writing and delivered to the Office for Study Abroad in person (205 Scotus Hall) or certified mailed (Saint Francis University, Office for Study Abroad, P.O. Box 600, Loretto, PA 15940). The date in which the withdrawal is received at the Office for Study Abroad will determine the amount of refund.

If you withdraw or are withdrawn from your study abroad program you will receive a refund minus: non-refundable application fee, any non-recoverable portion of the airfare, any non-recoverable program costs such as housing payments and deposits, excursion pre-payments, etc. (The closer the program is to the start date the less recoverable costs will be available). Student withdrawals are not accepted after the start of a program.

If you withdraw from the study abroad program, it is also your responsibility to withdraw from your study abroad courses.

Withdrawals from a study abroad program due to lack of passport and/or visa are held to the same withdrawal policies.

Your signature below indicates your understanding and acceptance of the **Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy** and your acceptance of the **Agreement and Waiver** statement.

Citizenship Status

Reporting your legal resident status is mandatory. Please check where appropriate.

- ☐ U.S. Citizen ☐ Non-Resident Alien
☐ U.S. Resident Permit (Green Card)
☐ I have an F-1 student visa
☐ I will require an F-1 student visa.

Agreement and Waiver

I certify that the information on this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that on becoming a student in this program, I shall be subject to all rules, regulations, and requirements as to conduct, academic, and financial policies of Saint Francis University, and the national and local ordinances of the country of which I am studying. I understand that Saint Francis University reserves the right to require the withdrawal of any student on account of unsatisfactory work or behavior.

Saint Francis University and its affiliated institutions, in making arrangements for the program, act only as agents. Saint Francis University, its Trustees, nor any of its employees, nor any other persons, parties, organizations, or agencies collaborating with them, neither is or shall be responsible or liable for injury, loss, damage, deviation, delay, or curtailment, however caused, or the consequences thereof, which may occur during any of the travel or program.

Any misrepresentation on the part of the applicant is cause for non-acceptance, cancellation of acceptance, or dismissal from school if subsequently discovered.

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