FRENCH STUDIES IN TOURS

Maymester Study Abroad Program: May 24 – June 20, 2016

THE PROGRAM
The French Studies Abroad Program in Tours will consist of an intensive three-week period of study and seven days of orientation and extracurricular travel. It will offer students at the intermediate and advanced levels an opportunity to further their knowledge of French language, literature and culture in a rich cultural environment and a rigorous academic setting. The program should be of particular interest to undergraduates at the intermediate level seeking to fulfill their foreign language requirement as well as to advanced undergraduates minoring or majoring in French. Graduate students should contact the program director concerning the possibility of obtaining graduate credits.

ACCOMMODATIONS
The program will be located in Tours, in the heart of the Loire Valley. Students will live with carefully selected French families, who will provide lodgings and two meals a day. Weekend and afternoon/evening excursions will be organized to a number of famed Loire châteaux within easy reach of Tours. A visit to Mont St. Michel and a spectacular son et lumière are also planned. The first four days will be spent in Paris.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION
Students with documented disabilities who may need accommodations during their study abroad experience should discuss these needs with the Program Director and the Office of Disability Services at the time of application.

ELIGIBILITY
The program is open to undergraduate and graduate students who meet all academic requirements of the Georgia State University College of Arts & Sciences. The program is open to students who will have completed at least French 1002 by the end of the Spring semester. To qualify, students must have a GPA of 3.0 and an average of at least a B in their French courses. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 2016

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Tentative Itinerary

Leave Atlanta for Paris - May 24
Arrive in Paris - May 25
Leave Paris for Tours; arrive in Tours same day - May 28
Leave Tours for Roissy (Paris Airport) - June 19
Leave Roissy for Atlanta - June 20
CREDITS AND COURSES

During the three-week study period, students will take two courses centered on language and culture, for a total of six credits. Upper-level undergraduates and graduate students will be able to sign up for a literature course taught by the program director. The courses will be adapted to the level of proficiency reached by the student participating in the program. They will be multi-listed accordingly. In terms of content, level of difficulty, contact hours, student involvement and grading, the courses will be essentially similar to the courses taught on campus at Georgia State University. The language courses will be taken at the prestigious Institut de Touraine, in classes of no more than fifteen students. The latest technical laboratory equipment will be at their disposal. Please see Program Director for more information. Students from other institutions should follow their institution's regulations concerning transfer credits.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Students interested in applying should find this program’s listing at mystudyabroad.gsu.edu and begin an online application. Transient Students: please see the Transients Student section under the Explore & Apply tab.

International Students at Georgia State who hold F-1 visas must contact the Office of International Student and Scholar Services at 404-413-2070 to discuss the possible implications of study abroad for their immigration status.

COST

Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at $3,495, PLUS regular Georgia State University tuition and fees. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a $250 fee in addition to the program cost.

FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Georgia State University students are eligible to apply for the IEF Study Abroad Scholarship/Georgia State University Foundation Scholarship and may be eligible to apply for the Global Experience Scholarship. Visit mystudyabroad.gsu.edu and select the Scholarships & Financial Aid tab or call the Study Abroad Programs office at (404) 413-2529 for more information.

Because program size is limited, early application is strongly advised. Individual interviews may be scheduled with students upon receipt of application.