FIELD EXPERIENCES IN MIDDLE AND SECONDARY EDUCATION: 
STUDENT TEACHING ABROAD PROGRAM IN FRANCE 

Spring Study Abroad Program: 
March 26– April 23 2016 

Sponsored by the College of Education and Human Development 

The Program 

The student teaching abroad opportunity will take place in Montpellier, France during the last four weeks of student teaching. The purpose of the France Student Teaching Abroad Program (FR-STAP) is to provide an international opportunity for students to apply their teaching skills in a supervised educational setting. 

The major goals of the program are to:

- Become acquainted with French language and culture (40 hours of formal instruction) 
- Learn about the structure of schools in France, their place in the community, and the issues facing students, educators, families and schools 
- Participate in the full life of schools in a French context, including extra-curricular activities, parent/teacher conferences, departmental and faculty meetings, and other activities involving faculty members; 
- Apply skills, knowledge, technological tools, and beliefs learned in the teacher education program in an international classroom setting; 
- Use principles, materials, and methods of teaching in a manner that fosters cognitive and affective growth for students 
- Partner with French teachers and develop communication, interpersonal, and intercultural skills that enhance teaching ability 
- Observe, interact with, and learn from school and community personnel, including teachers, media specialists, counselors, social workers, caregivers, and administrators 

Tentative Itinerary 

November: Interest Meeting 
Early February: Initial Orientation Meeting 
Early March: Mandatory Orientation Meeting 
March 26: Depart Atlanta-- arrive in Montpellier, France on March 27 
March 28: Program orientation and tour of Montpellier 
March 29: Begin French language/culture classes with Accent Francais 
March 29 – April 14: Field experiences in schools and activity planning with peers 
April 15: American Day with Accent Francais 
April 16-April 22: Cultural immersion experiences 
April 23: Depart for Atlanta 
April 25: EDCI 4700 or 7670/7680, EXC 7940, ASL 2001 on-campus presentation 

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 15, 2015
ACCOMMODATIONS
Participants will stay in a comfortable dormitory near the facilities of Accent Francais, the host language school, in Montpellier, France. Each unit is equipped with a kitchenette, student desk, and private bathroom with laundry facilities on site as well as a student study area. The dormitory is in the city center and public transportation is within a short walk. Accommodations for at least one night in Paris will also be included.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS
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, graduate, and doctoral students who are taking courses in the College of Education and/or College of Arts and Sciences. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director.

CREDITS AND COURSES
Teacher Candidates enrolled in EDCI 4700, EDCI 4750, EDCI 7680, or EXC 7940 during the semester of travel will be able to count 160 contact hours toward the student teaching residency requirement. Students enrolled in ASL 2001 will complete course requirements. No additional course credit will be earned. 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 Students and Scholar Services at (404) 413-2070 to discuss 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 $4700, 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.

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COST INCLUDES:
- Health/Evacuation/Repatriation insurance
- Round-trip airfare to/from Atlanta/Paris
- Round-trip train fare to/from Paris/Montpellier
- Ground transportation for program-related activities
- 40-hour course of instruction in French language/culture
- Housing accommodations
- Some meals

COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:
- Georgia State tuition and fees
- Passport
- Personal expenses
- Excess baggage charges
- Entrance fees for museums
- Non-program activity transportation

PAYMENT SCHEDULE
October 15 2015: $1000 deposit with application.
November 2, 2015: $1850
December 2, 2015: $1850 remaining balance.

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.