

FRANCE

Streets of Medieval Paris
OSU Sponsored Study Abroad Program



Program Highlights

Dates

Winter quarter: March 19 – 28, 2010

Locations

Paris, France

Program Costs

- Ohio State tuition
- \$2,853 program fee (see “program costs” section)
- Passport, personal expenses

Application Deadline

October 15, 2009

Eligibility

- Open to undergraduate students of all majors in a degree-seeking program
- 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA
- Completion of Winter quarter pre-departure class Medieval Studies 215
- Not open to seniors
- graduating Winter quarter 2010

Academic Credit

French or Medieval Studies

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Program

This short-term study abroad program is preceded by the GEC course *Medieval 215: Gothic Paris 1100-1300*, taught by Sarah-Grace Heller, Associate Professor of Medieval French, during Winter Quarter 2010. During the preparatory class, students will investigate some of the main currents of medieval culture in Western Europe through the study of high medieval Paris, learning to recognize major characteristics of the “Gothic” style in art and architecture, studying the formation of the first major Western university, and examining a crucial growth period of one of the world’s enduring cities.

This course intends to promote an understanding of the geography, history, and artistic traditions of medieval Paris via walking tours using reconstructed maps, guides, and songs. By retracing Paris’ medieval streets and monuments, students will gain first-hand experience of the worlds inhabited by medieval students in the Latin Quarter, merchants on the Right Bank, and the royal courts, and learn how the medieval streets and walls affected long-term urban space and growth. Students will contribute to an on-going interactive website on Medieval Paris through the creation of a multi-media “journal”. Using medieval Paris as its theme, this course will further introduce students to medieval culture in Western Europe, as well Parisian civilization from the Gallo-Roman period to the present.

Location

Paris will be the program’s destination. From its prehistoric origins as a Celtic settlement on a strategically located island of the river Seine, Paris has been a “bridge town”: a crossroads for trade, and a political center during the late Roman period and throughout the last millennium. Paris became a vibrant and fashionable capital in the twelfth century, as its university attracted students from all over the world, the wool trade brought wealth, and the Capetian kings sponsored splendid construction. The area enclosed by the walls of King Philip Augustus before the Third Crusade was vast by contemporary standards for fortified cities. Students will explore the experimental Gothic cathedrals of Notre Dame, Saint-Denis, Chartres, and the Sainte-Chapelle, as well as the many abbeys and parish churches of the city featuring a range of architectural styles. Objects from daily life as well as fabulous tapestries, armor, and royal jewels will be viewed at the Louvre, Cluny, and Saint-Germain-en-Laye museums. To seek the experience of the medieval marketplace, students will shop for picnics in open-air markets, and visit the town of Provins, site of one of the famous Champagne fairs.

Course and Credit

Upon successful completion of the program, students will receive a total of 10 credit hours: 5 credits for the pre-departure class *Medieval 215: Gothic Paris 1100-1300* taught during Winter Quarter 2010. 5 credits for the program in Paris, either as *Medieval 694 Group Studies*: if student submits journal in English or *French 697 Study at a Foreign Institution*: if journal is written in French. Students who have taken Medieval 215 during Fall quarter 2007 or 2008 are eligible to apply to the program.

Program Costs

The program fee is \$2,853. The program fee will include international airfare and in-country transportation, hotel accommodation, breakfast, all program activities, excursions, museum admissions, and supplemental health insurance. The program fee does not include Ohio State Winter Quarter tuition. The program fee will be due one month prior to the first day of winter quarter classes. Tuition is due at the beginning of winter quarter. The Office of International Affairs reserves the right to increase the study abroad program fee if there is a significant variation in the exchange rate at the time of payment to the vendor and/or the actual airfare exceeds the estimated amount when ticketing occurs. Students should plan to bring at least \$600 to cover the cost of meals, personal expenses or purchases.

Accommodations

Students will stay in double and triple rooms in a centrally located hotel in Paris. Breakfast is included every morning at the hotel.

Pre-Departure Orientation

All participants will be required to participate in on-campus pre-departure orientations organized by the Office of International Affairs. These sessions will offer important information on travel, health, academic expectations, and French history and culture. The dates and locations of orientation meetings will be provided in the letter of acceptance.

Application Information

Applicants must submit the Office of International Affairs Study Abroad Application online via buckeyelink.osu.edu. Please note that upon application, a \$150 application fee will be assessed to your Statement of Fees and Accounts. The application fee will be refunded only if you are not accepted or submit a written request to withdraw prior to the application deadline.

If you withdraw any time after the date of your notification of acceptance to a study abroad program, you will be responsible for any non-recoverable costs that have been incurred on your behalf plus a \$200 cancellation fee.

Passports

Passports are required for every Ohio State study abroad program. For many study abroad destinations, passport information is required to apply for an entry visa (as early as 6 months prior to departure). For information about applying for a passport, go to travel.state.gov.

Web Sites

Ohio State Funding Opportunities	oia.osu.edu
U.S. Department of State	travel.state.gov (travel warnings/country-specific information)
Centers for Disease Control	cdc.gov/travel (geographic health recommendations)

Contact Us

The Office of International Affairs is located in Oxley Hall, 1712 Neil Avenue, Columbus OH 43210-1219, USA, (614) 292-6101. Please see oia.osu.edu for information about Getting Started Information Sessions, Program Exploration walk-in hours, and Study Abroad Coordinators office hours.

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