FRANCE

A UMW APPROVED PROGRAM

MICEFA AT A PARIS UNIVERSITY

About the Program in Paris, France

- Available for spring or the academic year
- Eligible for transfer credit
- Students must find their own housing (with assistance from the MICEFA program)
- Language requirements: Four semesters of college-level French

Why Paris?

Paris sits along the Seine in north-central France and is famous for its monuments, architecture, historic avenues, parks, and gardens; it has something new to offer around every corner. Rich in history while embracing contemporary art, the whole city moves to the rhythm of the latest trends. Known as the ambassador of good taste, Paris also offers a range of flavors from the fruits of the Mediterranean to an array of fine cheeses and wines. Restaurants, bars, brasseries, tea rooms, ice cream parlors, open-air cafés, and pubs invite gourmets from all over the world to experience culinary adventure.

Study in Paris through MICEFA

The Mission Interuniversitaire de Coordination des Exchanges Franco-Américains (MICEFA) is UMW’s gateway to Parisian universities. Students can choose from the public universities in Paris: La Sorbonne, La Sorbonne Nouvelle, René Descartes, Pierre et Marie Curie, Denis Diderot, Saint Denis, Dauphine, Nanterre, Sud, Val de Marne, Nord, Val d’Essonne, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Universite de Marne Vallee, or Institut Catholique de Paris. Select campuses offer specific fields such as the humanities, social sciences, pre-law and more. For more information, visit www.micefa.org.

Excursions

MICEFA sponsors extracurricular excursions on the weekends. Examples of previous excursions include a visit to the Mont St. Michel in Brittany; a day trip to Auvers sur Oise where Van Gogh is buried; an exploration of the magnificent castles of the Loire Valley; and a stroll through Monet’s gardens at Giverny. Personal travel can be done on weekends but should not interfere with class work. There are also formal vacations in late September and early April when personal travel may be done.

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Eligibility

This program is open to undergraduate students who have completed at least one year at UMW, four semesters of college-level French, and have at least 2.5 or greater GPA. Final admission is contingent upon acceptance to a MICEFA University as a visiting student.

Academics

Students receive 12-18 credits per semester. All courses must be pre-approved by a UMW department chair. Elective credits may be approved by the Center for International Education. Students must receive a “C” or better for courses to transfer.

Housing and Meals

Housing options vary according to specific universities. Students must find their own housing. The MICEFA staff provides housing leads, gives pointers, and answers housing-related questions. Depending on the campus, students may choose from dormitories, apartments, or home stays. Some housing arrangements will be demi-pension, which includes breakfast and dinner. Host families usually include kitchen privileges with a shared or private bath. All housing options available through MICEFA are on first-come-first-served basis, so start early. Cost estimates for housing can be found by visiting www.micefa.org.

Services

Program services include advising, on-site orientation, limited health insurance, photographs, and credit transfer. Students must purchase international health insurance through UMW. It is recommended that students keep their domestic insurance policy active while abroad. No refunds are given for dual coverage. A copy of their insurance cards will be sent to students prior to departure.

Application Deadlines

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For more information, contact the Center for International Education at (540) 654-1434. Visit us at www.international.umw.edu.