Study Abroad Program

— Program Options —

University of Burgundy
Dijon, France

For French majors and minors with at least one year of college level French, Linfield recommends the University of Burgundy in Dijon, France Program. Most of the courses are taught in French. The university is 10 minutes away from the city center and public transportation is easy to navigate.

UB served approximately 29,000, 2,228 of which were international students. The origins of the University of Burgundy began with the founding of the Dijon faculty of law in 1722. Dijon itself is charming and certainly offers a good experience of provincial life as well as a condensed of French history, from the middle ages on. The countryside is beautiful and Dijon is close to Paris and Lyon. Burgundy is one of France’s main wine producing areas. Dijon, France is where history and modernity combine with its cobblestone streets and timeless wine. A trip to Paris is just 90 minutes away by train.

The Curriculum

The University of Burgundy offers a multidisciplinary education, with courses taught in French at various levels. Please refer to the following website, specifically focusing on exchange students: http://en.u-bourgogne.fr/admission/exchange-students.html. For a complete listing of course offerings and detailed information about the university, please refer to: http://www.u-bourgogne.fr/. Available curriculum includes International Trade and Export, as well as Linguistics and British/American History from the English department.

Wine Studies Majors/Minors

UG was also selected for their outstanding wine studies program with courses taught in English. However, students must have had at least one year of college-level French in order to better appreciate the local culture.

Room and Board

Students in the French language program are required to live with a host family arranged by the University. Wine Studies students may elect to live with a host family or in on-campus housing. Students can use the health center on-campus for no charge.

Honors Program

Students with the highest proficiency in French language and two years of college level French have the opportunity to enroll in the IAU College French Honors Program, also located in Aix. This program is an advanced level track which enables students to have a comprehensive language and cultural immersion experience beyond their regular curriculum.

As a program within the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, students will have the opportunity to more fully immerse themselves in the French language experience. Courses are taught exclusively in French. However, since IAU offers a broad array of attractive courses, students are allowed to enroll in one course conducted in English. Other features include:

• Extensive Orientation, spread out over 2 weeks.
• Students are housed with host families.
• Internships are possible at a local business, school or organization.
• Excursions and other activities are included.

Further information is available on their website at www.iaufrance.org.

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IAU College
Aix-en-Provence, France

For students with at least one year of college level French, there is the opportunity to enroll in the IAU College study abroad program located in Aix-en-Provence.

Founded in 1957, IAU College is one of the oldest and largest study abroad programs in Europe with more than 20,000 students. Aix is located 25 minutes north of Marseille.

Prior to the week of orientation for both fall and spring semesters, an early start program is available in intensive French, to acclimate students to the culture and language. An additional program fee is required as it includes a week-long homestay, daily breakfast and dinners included, local excursions, language instruction, and one course credit.

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Applications are available only online: http://www.linfield.edu/ipo/study-abroad-info.html

Cost Information:
http://www.linfield.edu/ipo/study-abroad-info/semester.html

Share students’ daily lives abroad through their journals by visiting:
http://www.linfield.edu/ipo/study-abroad-info/student-stories-and-photos/study-abroad-journals.html

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Selection Criteria
All 3 programs are open to students in good academic and social standing who have completed at least one semester at Linfield with a 2.75 cumulative minimum GPA. Preference is given to students with a 3.0 average in their French language courses. Students cannot participate in both a semester abroad and January Term off-campus course in the same academic year without special permission from the International Programs Office. On the basis of an application, supporting documents, and a personal interview, a selection committee judges each applicant to determine motivation, readiness and academic preparation for this study abroad experience. A series of obligatory orientation meetings for all participants (usually one weekend and several other meetings) is held in the spring semester prior to departure. All participants must take or audit the appropriate level of French in the semester directly preceding study abroad. Linfield will then formally nominate successful students to the center they have selected. Final decision rests with the administration of each study center.

Calendar
Students may participate in either the fall or spring term or for a full academic year. Specific dates are provided in the brochures or the websites of the center.

Costs
The cost of studying in France is similar to spending a term or for a full academic year. Specific dates are provided in the brochures or the websites of the center.

Credits
Students enroll in French and all semester abroad students are required to take IDST 031 Intercultural Communication: Departure and Reentry (S/U, 1 credit). It is also recommended that students take TCCA 230 Intercultural Communication: Global Perspectives and courses in European politics and history in preparation for the semester/year in France.

— Program Options —
Centre International d’Etudes Francaises (CIDEF) in Angers

For students with lower language proficiency (one year of college level French), we highly recommend the CIDEF program in Angers. The International Center for French Studies (CIDEF) was founded in 1947. It is part of the L’Universite Catholique de l’Ouest, an establishment of higher education serving 11,000 students. Each year, the International Center welcomes approximately 1,600 students from 70 different countries.

The university is centrally located in the city of Angers. It is surrounded by a park and is just 15 minutes from the train station. The International Centre is located in the Bazin building. It is open on weekdays from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and from 2 - 5 p.m. It is closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Students are welcome to use the library, audio visual and media facilities, language laboratory and computer laboratory equipped with 20 e-mail stations. (E-mail use is free).

An orientation will be held for new students together with their professors. Each student will receive an orientation handbook with practical information to assist them as they settle into life at the university.

The office staff will assist new students with everyday difficulties including the preparation of documents for the "carte de sejour."

Testing
During orientation, students will be tested to determine their comprehension and expressive skills in French. The tests will last two hours after which students will be placed in French language classes that best fit their skill level.

Language Courses
The language courses offered at the center aim to:
- Develop comprehension of the written and spoken language;
- develop oral skills in everyday situations and increase vocabulary and grammatical competence

Room and Board
Students are placed in home stays with French families in Angers, with some meals included. Meals can also be purchased in the university restaurants which are open for lunch and dinner during the school year.

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Language Teaching Methods
To improve students’ skills, teachers will incorporate:
- Authentic documents: newspapers, editorials and brochures to improve written and spoken expression and enhance vocabulary.
- Systematic review of French grammar
- Individual research based on a novel or non-fiction work of choice followed up by written and oral presentations.
- Advanced students will write a 3,000 word thesis under the guidance of a professor. The thesis should be based on France and French society in one of the following fields: politics, economics, literature, arts, sports and education. Students will present their thesis at the end of the semester before a jury of two people.

The Curriculum
Students are required to take at least 6 hours of language classes, earning three Linfield credits. Fall semester candidates, only, have the option of taking an additional three Linfield credits of language during the September intensive session. In addition, they may choose from a wide array of electives in French such as philosophy, business, history of art and music, anthropology and the European Union to mention but a few. There is also a theatre workshop and choir at the International Center. Class sizes range from 10 in conversation courses to 20 students in other language classes. Some classes are one or two semesters long. Many of the 60 professors at the Center are specialists in the teaching of French as a foreign language, while others are professors of literature, philosophy, art history and the history of music from the humanities faculty at the university.

Please refer to the CIDEF brochure or their website for more detailed information about course offerings: www.uco.fr/cidef.