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## French Language and Culture French as a Foreign Language

# July 4-15, 2011

Our summer school is designed for students, au pairs, private individuals and businesses who want to improve their French while experiencing French culture.

We offer an intensive culture and language program within an academic environment, wich includes classes in French language and culture, theme-based workshops, cultural visits and festive events.

## **Program Description**

#### **French courses**

French classes from beginner (A1) to advanced level (C1/C2) focus on developing your communication skills and cultural knowledge by drawing on a wide range of resources (reports, documentaries, articles, film excerpts, etc.).

## Self-directed language learning within a multimedia resource center

A self-directed learning approach enables students to acquire new skills and reach their goals at their own pace. Students will use educational resources specifically adapted to their levels, needs and objectives. They will also be supported by qualified French as a Foreign Language teachers.

#### Workshops

In order to meet students' different needs and expectations, we offer competency and theme based workshops, including uin the areas of culture, drama and film.

#### Cultural visits and festive events

Rich and varied cultural activities, such as visits of museums in Paris and the castle of Versailles, will allow students to discover the host country and the region of the Yvelines.

## **Program strengths**

## A pedagogical approach that emphasizes efficiency and success

The Institute's innovative pedagogical methods are informed by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages:

- ✓ Participatory learning with a focus on intercultural communication skills;
- ✓ Level groups from beginners (A1) to advanced (C2);
- ✓ Personalized feedback and progress reports.

#### A dynamic and experienced teaching team

Qualified teachers, educational advisors, and tutors who specialize in teaching languages and cultures will provide a personalized follow-up throughout the training program.

#### Innovative course material

Our program caters for all learning styles by providing a range of innovative and stimulating learning experiences:

- ✓ Open access to our resources centers and qualified tutors;
- ✓ A collaborative e-learning platform;
- ✓ Classrooms equipped with audiovisual equipment (CD and DVD players, computers, Wi-Fi);
- ✓ Interactive white board;
- Film screening facilities.



### Learning environment

## Improve your language skills and discover French culture in a unique environment

The campus is located in the heart of the Yvelines region. Only twenty minutes from downtown Paris, within a charming setting, surrounded by green open spaces, fields and woods, it is easily accessible by public transport.

Enjoy this unique first-hand experience of French culture by exploring the region's rich historical heritage:

- ✓ monuments and museums in and around Paris;
- ✓ the Castle of Versailles and its gardens;
- ✓ natural parks and forests.

#### Learn French in a prestigious institution

With an expanding network of regional campuses, the University of Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines (UVSQ) is actively involved in the region's economic development, while remaining open and accessible to all. With its variety of methods and rich curricula, it is well equipped to provide many learning opportunities for technicians, engineers, researchers, and managers in a range of disciplines.

Engaged in scientific and technological advancements, and economic development worldwide, UVSQ is truly an institution of the 21st century.

## Admission requirements

Applicants must be 18 or above and have successfully completed their baccalaureate or any other equivalent level of qualification.

## Fees & Accommodation

The fee of 800 euros per person includes language classes, workshops, and cultural visits. It does not, however, include accommodation expenses.

Upon request and for an additional fee, the Institute is able to help you with your accommodation needs. If interested, please contact us as soon as possible, as places are limited.

You may also contact the accommodation service directly or access a list of alternative housing solutions for young people in and around Paris

http://www.parisinfo.com/hotels-paris/pour-les-jeunes/

## Registration

> The application form must be completed and returned to the following address by 10 June 2011:

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