Program Cost

Departmental Program Fee: $6300*
UW Study Abroad Fee: $450
Visa Fee: $180**

TOTAL: $6930

*INCLUDES: instructional costs (tuition), housing in Nantes (from the beginning of the program through December 31), administrative costs, and program excursions.

NOT INCLUDED: food, airfare, or spending money.

**A visa application workshop is offered to Nantes-bound students during Spring Quarter 2020. **All visa applicants must also travel to a city with a VFS Visa Center to obtain a visa (San Francisco is the closest).

TO APPLY:

1. Application available online beginning January 1st at: washington.edu/studyabroad/
2. Application materials:
   - brief statement of purpose
   - one faculty or TA recommendation
   - unofficial UW transcript
   - brief description of how the student will finance the program

Students will be notified of acceptance via email.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

No language requirement (students may begin or continue their study of French in Nantes). Minimum 3.0 overall GPA by the beginning of the program. This program is best suited for students who are independent, flexible and open-minded since student support services are limited.

BEFORE YOU TRAVEL:

- You must have a valid passport to participate in the program.
- You must attend ALL MANDATORY information meetings and read all information and handouts you receive.
- A French Visa must be secured before your departure (more information on this at the info sessions).

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In Fall 2020 the Department of French and Italian Studies will again offer a program in Nantes. Nantes is the capital of the Pays de Loire region, and the old capital of the Bretagne areas. Nearly 500,000 people call this beautiful city home. This city is a dynamic, culturally rich sister city of Seattle, only a 2 hour train ride from Paris.

**Program Description**

The University of Nantes is a large institution that welcomes more than 30,000 students. You will officially be studying at the University of Nantes while concurrently enrolled at the University of Washington. In Nantes, you will be part of the i-FLE—the school for Teaching French as a foreign language.

The program is open to all students who wish to either begin or continue their study of French in France. In Nantes, you will be required to participate in a short pre-session program, which will be arranged by the UW. More detailed information will be provided once you have been accepted into the program.

You will participate in excursions and various cultural events. Some of these activities will be offered and organized in fall semester by the UW on-site coordinator who will stay in Nantes for the first week of the program. A two-person team of local coordinators will be available for assistance and conversation classes throughout the semester.

**Terms and Credits**

The Department of French & Italian Studies program in Nantes runs from:

**September 1st—December 22nd, 2020**

This program will take place during fall semester (fall quarter at UW) and offers the opportunity for students to earn UW credit while living, studying and practicing French in France.

**Fall semester students can earn up to 15 credits toward their French major or 10 credits toward their French Minor. Students who opt to study for the academic year (fall and spring semesters) in Nantes may earn up to 20 credits toward their French major.**

As a rule, the program classes do not replace existing UW classes at the French 200 or 300 levels. Special circumstances may apply.

Credits earned on this program can meet the Jackson School requirement for a second year of foreign language.

If you have completed French 103, you will receive 15 UW credits (French 199, French 299)

If you have completed French 201, 202, 203, you will receive 15 credits (French 299, French 308)

If you have taken courses beyond French 203, UW credits will be determined after you have returned from the program.

You may be asked to take a placement test to determine which UW French level you are eligible for upon your return from the Nantes program.

**Financial Aid & Scholarships**

Most forms of financial aid can be utilized during participation in the program. Participants who are on financial aid should contact the Financial Aid Office to verify that their awards will apply. Students interested in applying for increased financial aid during their quarter of study abroad should obtain a revision request from the Financial Aid office and a budget of student expenses from the UW Study Abroad office, and submit both to the Financial Aid Office.

Some French Studies departmental scholarships are available. For more information about Financial Aid & scholarships, please visit: www.washington.edu/studyabroad/

**Housing**

In dorms or in residence halls. All are furnished and you will share kitchen and bathroom facilities.

**Spring Semester Option**

Students who have completed the UW’s fall semester program in Nantes have the option of continuing on with their studies in spring semester (winter and spring quarters). Interested students can do so in two different ways: continue studies of French language for foreigners at the i-FLE or participate in a direct exchange at the University of Nantes.