

Join us for a 16-day winter seminar in France! Students attending this study abroad program will have the opportunity to experience first-hand the history and culture of Strasbourg, the capital of Europe.

Besides, students will spend 3 nights in Paris, enjoying one of Europe's most beautiful and culturally rich cities.

Classes will typically take place for 1.5-2 hours every morning and will be interspersed with course related visits and excursions, and plenty of free time to explore Strasbourg and the Alsace.

**Course:**

**ILAS 2350 "Introduction to Liberal Studies"**

An introduction to higher education and to life-long learning, including a lecture component on the basics of liberal education and a seminar component on readings that deal with the interconnections and issues related to all branches of knowledge pursued in a university.



City of Colmar



**Program Costs**

(based on a group size of at least 12 participants)

**Program fee** ..... \$ 2,795\*  
**Optional excursion to the Swiss Alps** ..... \$ 550\*  
Fee includes: 11 nights at the Château de Pourtalès, 3 nights at a 2-3 star-hotel in Paris, use of classroom, library, computer lab, community kitchen at the Château de Pourtalès, on-site coordinator, local guides, museum and excursion expenses as listed, welcome reception, welcome dinner, and farewell dinner, public transportation pass in Paris.

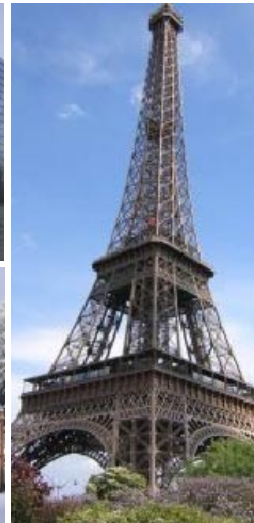
**Not included in the fee:** round-trip airfare, tuition, meals not listed, insurances, personal and misc. expenses

**Note:** Discount on UH fees of \$250 for 3 SCH's .  
Scholarships for UH students available at <http://www.uh.edu/studyabroad/>

Non-UH students will NOT have to pay tuition for course credit to the University of Houston. They pay only the program fee and other non-program costs like insurances and food. UH has only nominal registration and transcript fees for non-UH students to get study abroad credit applicable to their home institutions.

\*Program costs are subject to change due to fluctuations in the value of the Euro in relation to the U.S. dollar.

**Introduction to Liberal Studies  
January 1 – 16, 2012**



City of Strasbourg

**Application Deadline: Oct. 1, 2011**

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**Winter Seminar in France**  
**An experience of lifetime...**

# Introduction to Liberal Studies Winter Seminar in France

>> January 1 - 16, 2012

## Itinerary

### Sun. January 1

- Depart for Frankfurt, Germany (airfare is additional to the program costs)

### Mon. January 2

- Arrive in Frankfurt
- Meet your CEPA on-site coordinator
- Travel by private bus to Strasbourg, France and check into rooms
- Welcome reception and orientation session
- Welcome Dinner at a typical French restaurant in Strasbourg

### Tues. January 3 - *Class day*

- Guided walking tour of Strasbourg and the Alsatian Museum

### Wed. January 4 - *Class day*

- Free time in the afternoon to explore the city  
Suggestions - Consider visiting the Protestant Church of Saint-Thomas and the Historical Museum of Strasbourg

### Thurs. January 5 - *Class day*

- Travel by private bus to Freiburg and enjoy a free morning  
Suggestions - Visit the cathedral "Minster" with the minster square (Münsterplatz), which is the focal point and heart of the town
- Visit a butchery and discover the production of the famous "Black Forest Ham" in Todtmoos



### Fri. January 6 to Mon January 9 - Free Weekend:

- Explore more aspects of the Alsace region on your own
- Optional: weekend excursion to Engelberg, Switzerland**  
Travel by private coach, 3 night stay at the 3-star Hotel Europe, two day-ticket for the gondola, Swiss Älplermagronen Dinner

### Tues. January 10 - *Class day*

- Visit to the European Parliament
- Free afternoon at the Château for course work

### Wed. January 11 - *Class day*

- Guided tour of the Musée des Beaux-Arts de Strasbourg (Museum of Fine Arts of Strasbourg)
- Guided tour of the Alsatian Kronenbourg Brewery

### Thurs. January 12 - *Class day*

- Day excursion along the Alsatian „Route des Vins“ (wine route)
- Guided tour of the impressive castle Haut Koenigsbourg
- Visit to the winery Jean Geiler with tasting
- Free evening in Colmar

### Fri. January 13

- Travel by high speed train to Paris

- Meet your coordinator for an orientation session
- Enjoy some free time and take a private boat tour on the famous "Bateaux Mouches" in the afternoon

### Sat. January 14

- Private guided tour of the Louvre
- Private guided tour of the Montmartre Quarter in the afternoon  
After the tour, consider exploring the picturesque quarter and have dinner in one of the nice bistros on your own.

### Sun. January 15 - Free day in Paris

- Suggestion - Discover the Jardin du Luxembourg, a favorite place for strolling since the 18<sup>th</sup> century
- Enjoy your last evening in Paris for final discussions, reflection and wrap up of the program
- Farewell Dinner at a typical French restaurant in Paris

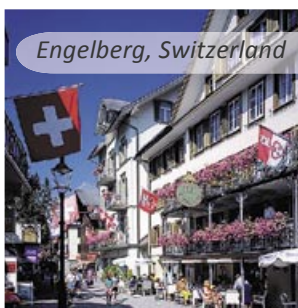
### Mon. January 16

- Travel by private bus to Paris Charles de Gaulle airport
- Departure back home (airfare is additional to the program costs)

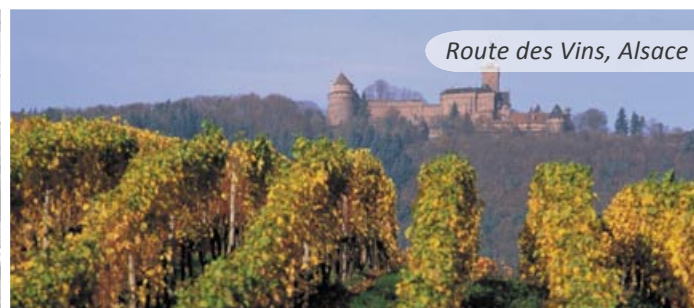
Applicable entrance fees included.  
Itinerary is subject to change depending on availability.



Eiffel Tower, Paris



Engelberg, Switzerland



Route des Vins, Alsace



Louvre, Paris