

THREE-WEEK STUDY ABROAD

(May 20, 2025 - June 8, 2025)

HST 652SA

Americans in Paris (3 credits)

- **Spend three weeks exploring Paris, with trips to Versailles, Avignon and Marseille.**
- **Immerse yourself in three centuries of French history, literature, and culture as seen through the eyes of successive generations of Americans who chose this city as their home away from home.**
- **Fulfill one of your colloquium requirements for the History MA.**
- **Apply for scholarships available from History, CLASS and Study Abroad.**



Since the American War of Independence, France and the United States have been engaged in a unique cultural and political dialogue. In this course, we will examine several key moments of this history, with special focus on the American presence in Paris. Living in Paris and retracing the steps of famous and not-so-famous Americans, who at different times called Paris home, will help us grasp the complexities of a global city like Paris and better appreciate the unique place Paris occupies in the American cultural geography.

Join us as we visit some of the city's most iconic sites: the Champs Elysées, the Eiffel Tower, the Moulin Rouge, the art district of Montmartre, the student quarter around the Sorbonne University and the Montparnasse quarter, home of the interwar Lost Generation. We will spend many hours at the Louvre and other major museums. We will travel to Marseille to study the activities of the Emergency Rescue Committee who helped thousands of anti-Nazi militants flee Germany and occupied France. All the while, we will compare our experience of Paris with the experience of those Americans who made the trip before us. Why were so many Americans drawn to Paris? What did they learn from their interaction with Parisian society and culture? What values did they bring home with them? Did their experience of Paris make a difference in American society or politics? These are some of the questions we will ask ourselves while learning to navigate the city. The only way to find the answers is to go to Paris.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2025

Apply early! Once the program fills, applications will close.

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