EDUCATION ABROAD IN FRENCH

WHAT'S NEXT?

• Take the Education Abroad Workshop
• To discuss program options, make an appointment online with an education abroad advisor according to your country or region of interest.

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Interested in other disciplines? Explore additional major advising sheets online at http://educationabroad.virginia.edu/your-major

BENEFITS OF AN INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Whether you’re considering a major or minor in French or want to improve your French skills while studying another subject, you are probably aware of the importance of education abroad to your field. As a student working towards language acquisition, spending time abroad in an immersion setting is crucial to developing proficiency and confidence in speaking that cannot be matched elsewhere. In addition to honing your language skills, time in a French-speaking country will allow you to gain greater cultural understanding and a more nuanced perspective on both your host culture and home country.

ACADEMIC & TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

To ensure a well-integrated study abroad experience, the department and the International Studies Office recommend planning early in your academic career. Depending on the type of education abroad program you select, you may receive direct or transfer credit for the courses you complete abroad. Up to twelve credits toward the French major may be earned in approved foreign study programs, and up to six credits may be earned toward a French minor. Courses which students seek to take for major or minor credit must be pre-approved by the Director of the Undergraduate Program of French.

For French major or minor course approvals, contact:
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**STUDENT TESTIMONIAL**

“When people ask me about my time in France, I can only begin to explain how much my study abroad experience meant to me. I accomplished all that I went to Lyon for and more than I could have imagined. I became much better at French, and I gained a lot of confidence in my speaking abilities. I learned to handle and perhaps even embrace change. I surprised myself by how many new experiences I welcomed and how much I traveled throughout France and Europe in general (I think I surprised my family as well). I made friends from the University of Virginia that I might never have met otherwise and even friends from other countries.”

—Genevieve Huss, French and Foreign Affairs: UVA Exchange: University of Lyon 2

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**WHAT PROGRAMS ARE OUT THERE? READ ON!**

**International Opportunities in French Language**

*This is just a starting point and you are not limited to these options.*

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* Internship available
§ Fieldwork/field study available

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