

SUMMER STUDY ABROAD FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

*Welcome to the Summer Study Abroad program with your host, Saint Francis University.
High School students have the option to earn three Saint Francis University credits studying
Fine Arts at the University's site in Ambialet, France or studying Religion at the Franciscan site in Gaming, Austria.*

Ambialet, France



June 7 – 16, 2019

FINE ARTS IN AMBIALET, FRANCE

The first week option is the program in southwestern France. Students are housed in the priory of Ambialet, where the University operates its semester-long study abroad program. The students will experience the wonders of the region - castles, chateaux, ruins, quaint medieval hill-top villages, stunning views, and awe-inspiring cathedrals. The University's renovated facility is perched on a hilltop overlooking the village of Ambialet and the Tarn River. Students will become acquainted with the culture and people of France, thus allowing them to experience intellectual, linguistic, personal and spiritual growth.

The Ambialet program offers three Saint Francis University credits in Fine Arts; a dual enrollment course. The course will begin with a pre-departure meeting before students travel to Europe and conclude with a submission of a final project. While in Europe, the course work will take students on awe-inspiring excursions.

Prior: Purchase text/begin readings for course
TBA: Pre-departure class for students/ parent/guardian meeting
Day 1: Bus to airport and flight to France
Day 2-9: Class; multiple excursions; outdoor adventures; Mass
Day 10: Depart to return to US
TBA: Final projects due

Gaming, Austria



June 16 – 25, 2019

RELIGION IN GAMING, AUSTRIA

The second week option is offered in the foothills of the Austrian Alps. The home for this program is the monastery of Gaming, where Franciscan University of Steubenville operates its semester-long program. The monastery has been restored to its original Baroque splendor. Students will experience an integration of intellectual, cultural, and spiritual life while participating on awe-inspiring excursions. The program provides experiences within a different culture while deepening student's love for creation, God and the Catholic Church.

The Gaming program offers three Saint Francis University credits in Religion; a dual enrollment course. The course will begin with a pre-departure meeting before students travel to Europe and conclude with a submission of a final project. While in Europe, the course work will take students on awe-inspiring excursions.

Prior: Purchase text/begin readings for course
TBA: Pre-departure class for students/ parent/guardian meeting
Day 1: Bus to airport from SFU and flight to Austria
Day 2-9: Class; multiple excursions; outdoor adventures; Mass
Day 10: Depart to return to US
TBA: Final projects due

CONTACT YOUR HIGH SCHOOL STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE FOR DETAILS



Priory Chapel, Ambialet



Hiking in Austria



Kayaking in France



Kartause Church, Gaming

PROGRAM COSTS FOR THE AMBIALET PROGRAM:

Room, Board & Excursions	\$ 850
Flight, Travel, Insurance	\$1,450
Tuition (3 credits)	\$ 195
Administrative Fees	\$ 800
TOTAL Program Fee	\$3,295
Catholic School Scholarship	-\$ 300
Discounted Program Cost	\$2,995

PROGRAM COSTS FOR THE GAMING PROGRAM:

Room, Board & Excursions	\$ 950
Flight, Travel, Insurance	\$2,050
Tuition (3 credits)	\$ 195
Administrative Fees	\$ 800
TOTAL Program Fee	\$3,995
Catholic School Scholarship	-\$ 300
Discounted Program Cost	\$3,695



Application deadline:
December 1, 2018



2018 Group in France

APPLICATION PROCESS AND REQUIRED FORMS

(Application, fees, and all travel forms are to be returned to your high school representative)

- APPLICATION FORM: Fill this out completely and turn it in to your high school representative, along with a copy of your passport. If you do not yet have a passport, write on your application “passport in process.” Once you receive your passport, make a copy of the photo page and turn in to your high school contact.
- APPLICATION FEE: A \$200 non-refundable application fee is due at the time you turn in your application. This fee secures your spot on the program and is deducted from the final cost.
- COURSE REGISTRATION: After completing the attached application, you will be given instructions to register your course.
- PASSPORT: U.S. citizens need a valid passport to travel abroad. You should apply for a passport well in advance to avoid any conflict that may delay your departure. Make sure it is valid for at least six months beyond the end of the program. New passports cost approximately \$100. Expedited service is also available for an additional cost. A passport application and instructions, for a first-time applicant, is found on the U.S. Department of State’s travel site (http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html). A different application is needed to renew a passport and is also found on the U.S. Department of State website. Please submit a copy of your passport (photo page) to your high school contact.

Return the passport application to your nearest post office as soon as possible. If you choose to apply through a passport agency, you will find their locations on the State Department website. In addition to the passport application, you will need to provide proof of citizenship (e.g., a certified copy of your birth certificate or an expired passport), proof of identity (e.g., valid driver's license) and two (2) passport-ready (2 x 2 inches) photos taken within six months of submitting your application.

It is advised that a copy of your passport is left at home another taken with you and kept in a separate location from the actual passport. It is also strongly recommended that at least one parent or family member have a valid passport for the period in which you are abroad. For more passport information, visit: www.travel.state.gov.

- WITHDRAWAL POLICY: The withdrawal policy is included on the application form. Please read the policy carefully before signing the form.
- WAIVER FORM (*giving to student at the time of application*): This is a straightforward form. Students and parents/guardians must initial where required (each paragraph). The waiver must be signed AND witnessed. This witness can be anyone over the age of 18, who physically sees you sign the waiver. Return completed waivers to your high school contact by April 11th.
- MEDICAL HISTORY/DOCTOR’S RELEASE(*giving to student at the time of application*): This form should be completed by you and your family doctor and returned to your high school contact by April 11th.
- INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE: Every student participating in this study abroad program must have this international insurance coverage. This insurance is supplemental to your existing coverage and is extremely valuable and functional. More information will be provided to you at a pre-departure meeting.

PAYMENTS: Checks, made payable to Saint Francis University, are turned in to your high school contact as follows: **\$200 (deposit with application), \$1,500 due on April 11th, and balance due on May 16th.**

STEP PROGRAM: The U.S. Department of State encourages you to register your trip with the local in-country U.S. Embassy or Consulate before you leave. This is done through the State Department’s travel registration website. Registration enables U.S. officials to contact you in an emergency and to notify your family or other persons that you identify, if necessary. Located at www.state.gov/travel/ in the column headed “Resources” the heading “Sign up for the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program” (also called STEP) link will take you to the enrollment page.



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December 1, 2018

APPLICATION FOR SUMMER STUDY ABROAD FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Return the completed application to your high school contact with a copy of our passport and a \$200 deposit (payable to Saint Francis University).

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Address/City/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Grade Level: sophomore junior

Name/Relationship of Beneficiary for International Insurance Coverage: _____

COLLEGE-IN-HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS

You will receive instructions to register for Fine Arts (France) - or - Religion (Austria)

Have you considered Saint Francis University for your college career? Strongly considering Considering Not Considering

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

(1) Name: _____ Relationship: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

(2) Name: _____ Relationship: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT (if parents/guardians listed above cannot be reached):

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

FOR PARENT/GUARDIAN:

STUDY ABROAD WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Withdrawal from any Saint Francis University study or service abroad program must be made in writing and delivered to the Office for Study Abroad in person (Scotus 205) or sent certified mail to Saint Francis University, Office for Study Abroad, P.O. Box 600, Loretto, PA 15940. The date on which the withdrawal is received at the Office for Study Abroad will determine the amount of refund.

If your child withdraws or is withdrawn from the study abroad program, you will receive a refund minus: non-refundable application fee, any non-recoverable portion of the airfare, any non-recoverable program costs such as housing payments and deposits, excursion pre-payments, etc. (The closer the program is to the start date, the less recoverable costs will be available). Student withdrawals are not accepted after the start of a program.

If your child withdraws from the study abroad program, it is also your responsibility to withdraw from your study abroad course.

Withdrawals from a study abroad program due to lack of passport are held to the same withdrawal policies.

I have reviewed my child's application, have read and understood the withdrawal policy listed above and give permission for my child to participate on this 10-day study abroad program.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____