STUDY ABROAD

Lille, France | Fall, Spring & Summer

Study at the Université Catholique de Lille, one of France's top private universities, located just a short walk from the historic heart of Lille. This program is available year-round—with summer, fall, and spring terms—and offers a wide variety of courses in French and English across fields like business, art history, international studies, engineering, media, and more. Whether you're hoping to complete your French minor or major, or simply take engaging electives with an international perspective, this program is an ideal fit. Students live in on-campus dormitories, have access to a vibrant campus community, and experience local culture through city tours, museum visits, and festivals.

Summer students can take an intensive French course plus electives, while semester students can select from courses across multiple university faculties. One option is a direct exchange, meaning you pay regular University of Memphis tuition and fees, and your financial aid transfers just like it would on campus. Study abroad scholarships are also available and regularly awarded. Lille itself is a lively student city with rich Flemish roots, cozy cafés, and easy train access to Paris, Brussels, and London. Whether for a few weeks or a full semester, Lille offers academic excellence, cultural immersion, and affordable global learning.

If you're interested in learning more about our programs abroad, explore our programs at memphis.studioabroad.com or email:

tigersabroad@memphis.edu

PAID HUMANITIES INTERNSHIPS MELLON FOUNDATION GRANT

Through generous support from the Mellon Foundation, majors in the humanities—including World Languages & Literatures—have access to paid internship opportunities with local nonprofit and community-based organizations. These internships allow students to apply their language skills, cultural knowledge, and critical thinking in real-world settings while gaining professional experience.

Since the program's inception in spring 2025, over 40 world languages majors have received a semester-long internship through the Mellon program. Learn more at memphis.edu/cas/mellon-foundation and contact Prof. Christina Gómez, WLL Internship Coordinator (cmbggett@memphis.edu), for more information.

ADD A MAJOR/MINOR

If you want to change your major to one in the College of Arts & Sciences, or already have a major in the College of Arts & Sciences, come to Scates 107 or email casgraduation@memphis.edu to declare a second major or French minor. Please send your:

- Name
- UUID
- The new major/minor

If your major is in another college, you should contact the advising office of your college to declare a minor.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Dr. Denis Grélé at ddgrele@memphis.edu



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WHY STUDY FRENCH?

- Study abroad in France, Canada, and other Francophone countries to make lifelong connections and engage deeply with French-language film, music, art, literature, and culture!
- Use French to expand your career opportunities: explore paths in international business, diplomacy, translation & interpretation, tourism, education, etc.
- Heritage and advanced speakers can refine their formal language skills to pursue professional and academic goals, while enhancing communication in fields like global health, law, and nonprofit work.

Le Cercle Français

Faculty in the French Section organize every semester a series of events exploring France and the Francophone world, featuring presentations on topics such as the arts, music, comics, and current events.

Assistantship in France

The French government offers assistantships in France, teaching English in a French *lycée* (secondary school) for one year. Email us for program details.

COURSES

Lower Division French Courses

- FREN 1010 Elementary French I
- FREN 1020 Elementary French II
- FREN 2010 Intermediate French I
- FREN 2020 Intermediate French II

Upper Division French Courses

- FREN 3301 Conversation and Composition I
- FREN 3302 Conversation and Composition II
- FREN 3401 French Civilization
- FREN 3402 France & the Francophone World
- FREN 3791 French for Commerce I
- FREN 4302 Advanced Grammar
- FREN 4307 French Literature and Civilization:
  - Before 1789
- FREN 4308 French Literature and Civilization:
  - 1789 - Present
- FREN 4310 French Translation
- FREN 4415 Francophone Literature
- FREN 4791 Special Topics in French
- FREN 4801 Contemp. France/Francophonie

Pi Delta Phi (French Honor Society)

- Pi Delta Phi elects new members every spring. Activities include the annual initiation ceremony, as well as occasional lectures, dinners, and visits to exhibits of French art.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

General Education (41 hours)

Complete university-wide Gen Ed requirements.

College & BA Requirements (6–9 hours)

Additional coursework as required by the College of Arts & Sciences. If you have prior academic or lived experience with French, contact the advising team for testing options.

Major Requirements (24–33 hours)

Choose one of the following concentrations:

- Single Language (French only): 24 upper-division hours, including FREN 3301 & 3302
- Two Languages: 27 upper-division hours (min. 9 hours per language)
- Three Languages: 33 upper-division hours (min. 12 hours in 2 languages + coursework in third)
- Electives as needed to reach 120 total credit hours.

Minor in French (18 hours)

FREN 1020, 2010, 2020 + 3 upper-division courses (FREN 3301 and/or 3302 recommended, as they are pre-requisites for other upper-division courses)