

France

In 2012-2013, 17,210 U.S. students studied abroad for academic credit in France.

[<<Learn more about France>>](#)

Education System Overview:

Academic year: September – July

Major school holidays/break:

- October – November
- Mid-December – early January
- Mid-February – early March
- Mid-April

Major exam period(s): June – July

Structure of the university system:

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 3 years
- **Language of instruction in universities:** French
- **Degrees offered:** Licence, Masters and Doctorate
- **Non-degree tertiary education for which transfer credit may be granted:**
Classes préparatoires aux Grandes Ecoles (CPGE)

Resources:

Organization: Ministère de l'Education nationale
Website: www.education.gouv.fr

Organization: Campus France
Website: www.campusfrance.org

Organization: ENIC-NARIC
Website: www.ciep.fr/en/enic-naricfr
Organization: Conference des Grandes Ecoles



Website: www.cge.asso.fr

Organization: ONISEP (French Education Information network)

Website: www.onisep.fr

Know Before You Go

- [How to Apply for U.S. Passport](#)
- [Security Messages for U.S. Citizens](#)
- [Country Specific Travel Information](#)

U.S. Government-Sponsored Study and Exchange Programs

- [Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Program](#)
- [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#)
- [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#)
- [Gilman International Scholarship](#)