

# University of California Education Abroad Program Language and Culture – fall 2019

## Academic Handbook



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## Program Overview

The Program in French Language and Culture is the creation of faculty and administrators at the University of California. It is designed to immerse students in several dimensions of French culture and life and is intended as a rewarding experience abroad. It is also a gateway for some students who may choose to extend their stay in France for a second semester in Paris at Sciences Po Reims, or at the University of Bordeaux or Lyon.




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*Living abroad was so enriching. Now I'm majoring in French!*

*-Former program participant.*

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- The program begins with an 11-day language Practicum, designed to provide you with a smooth start to your French life.
- Semester-long French language course sequences: beginner to advanced beginner levels, all taught exclusively in French.
- Semester-long Culture courses in the humanities and social sciences are taught in English.

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|  <p><b>PRACTICUM</b><br/>4.5 UC quarter, 3.0 semester units</p>                           | <p>The program begins with an <b>11-day language and culture practicum</b> focusing on language learning. Practicum language courses meet every day for three hours, with two additional two-hour sessions for workshops. Also included are <b>four excursions</b> that allow students to discover both practical and cultural aspects of the city. The excursions, which generally last from two to three hours, are an integral part of the practicum and are mandatory course meetings.</p> |
|  <p><b>SEMESTER FRENCH COURSE SEQUENCE</b><br/>10.00 UC quarter, 6.67 semester units</p> | <p>Students take <b>two French language</b> courses, in sequence, during the 13-week semester. French language courses meet four days per week for two-hour class sessions, with an additional two hours one day per week devoted to workshops and <b>excursions</b>. The workshops and excursions are an integral part of the language course and are mandatory course meetings.</p>  |
|  <p><b>SEMESTER CULTURE COURSE</b><br/>5.00 UC quarter, 3.33 semester units</p>         | <p>Students take one upper-division culture course during the 13-week semester. The culture courses meet two days per week for one-and-a half-hour class sessions.</p>   |

## Program Features



Day trip to the beautiful château de Versailles!



Culinary adventures!



Visit an open air market and use your new language skills!



Practice your French with your class in a café!

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*My French improved so much! I can't wait to return to Paris after I graduate! - Former program participant.*

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# French Language Course Equivalencies

Equivalencies are approximate. They are not to be considered definitive prescriptions but rather as helpful suggestions.

Students with questions or concerns about French language levels should meet with the Academic Director.

| UC Paris Course | Equivalency on UC Quarter Campuses | Equivalency on UC Semester Campuses | Continuing Students : Enrollment Advice for Next Term |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| PCC FR53AB      | Quarters 1-3                       | Semester 2                          | Quarter 4 / Semester 3                                |
| PCC FR54AB      | Quarters 2-4                       | Semester 3                          | Quarter 5 / Semester 4                                |

## UCEAP Program Policies and Protocols

### Attendance Policy

- Attendance is expected in all course meetings, course-related activities and visits/excursions.
- Plan to arrive on time to all course meetings. You will be marked absent if you are not present at the start of class. You will also be marked absent if you skip out early.
- Absences will adversely affect course participation grades.  
You will be required to meet with the Academic Director if your academic performance results in a projected C or lower grade for the language class. You will also be required to meet with the Academic Director if it is determined that your lack of participation in a course has a negative impact on the other students in the class (e.g., group presentations). When appropriate, the Academic Director will confer with UCEAP on disciplinary measures to take, including probation and dismissal from the program.

### Missed Work Policy

**No MAKE-UPS for missed work:** if a student is absent on a day when there is some form of assessment (quiz, written or oral exam, test, etc.), there will be no make-up quizzes or exams given. Students should refer to their course syllabi for their instructors' policies on late homework or assignments.

### Add/Drop Policy

- Adding or dropping courses is not an option for any UCEAP Paris Program.

## Pass/No Pass Policy

- Students can take one course (either the practicum or one of the semester courses) for P/NP
- **The deadline for choosing this option in the practicum will be announced during the practicum**
- **Week eight is the deadline for choosing this option for a semester course**

## Study List Protocol and Transferring Units

- Your study list is the list of courses that will be used to transfer units and grades to your home campus. It is located in your MyEAP space.
- Students are responsible for completing their study lists when prompted by the Study Center.
- All units earned will transfer to UC. Your home campus and major/minor departments will determine how courses fulfill specific requirements. **Students are advised to keep graded work, as it may be requested to accompany a petition for fulfilling a requirement on the home campus.**

## Grading Protocol

- Students should allow up to ninety days after the end of the program for their grades to appear on their transcripts. For more information on grade reporting, please consult the [UCEAP Guidebook](#).

## Grading Scale

- Instructors in both language and upper-division content courses will use the following grading scale:

|    |        |    |       |    |              |
|----|--------|----|-------|----|--------------|
| A+ | 97-100 | B- | 80-83 | D  | 64-66        |
| A  | 94-96  | C+ | 77-79 | D- | 60-63        |
| A- | 90-93  | C  | 74-76 | F  | 59 and below |
| B+ | 87-89  | C- | 70-73 |    |              |
| B  | 84-86  | D+ | 67-69 |    |              |

- See course syllabi for grading criteria on individual assignments.
- Consult with instructor for clarification on how quizzes, tests, exams, presentations, participation, and other coursework will be evaluated.

# Conduct and Classroom Policies

## UCEAP Student Conduct Policy

- The [UCEAP Student Conduct Policy](#) may be reviewed online.

## UCEAP Academic Conduct Policy

- UCEAP Students are expected to follow University of California rules and regulations on academic misconduct. As enrolled UC students abroad, UCEAP Participants should understand and subscribe to the principles of academic integrity and must be willing to bear individual responsibility for their work while studying abroad. The [UCEAP Academic Conduct Policy](#) may be reviewed online.

## Policy on Electronic Devices in the Classroom

- As a courtesy to your instructors and fellow students, you may not use cell phones, laptops, tablets, e-readers, or other electronic devices during class, even to check the time. You will be expected to turn off your cell phone and any other devices during class time. No recording (audio or visual) of class sessions will be permitted.

## Policy on Food, Drink and Courtesy in the Classroom

- No food or drinks are allowed in class except for bottled water. Students are expected to behave in a respectful manner when interacting with instructors, administrators, and staff members, as well with their peers in class discussions.

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*This program really gave me a sense of “the Real Paris,” something I never would have seen without the help of my instructors - Former program participant.*

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# Paris Program Point People

## Academic Oversight and Direction

For information on courses, French language levels, grades, and academic matters, contact the Academic Director:

**Carole Viers-Andronico, Ph.D.**

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## UCEAP Paris Study Center Administration

For information on all UC-related paperwork, petitions, health insurance, and physical and mental health matters, contact the Center Administrator:

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