
Bethany's Sorbonne Program

Bethany's Study Abroad program at the Sorbonne is for Bethany students desiring to spend one or two semesters in France.

Prerequisites: Students should be of Junior standing (unless admitted by special permission of the Department of Foreign Languages) and should have completed a French Conversation and Composition course or its equivalent.

Calendar:

First Semester — early September to mid-January.

Second Semester — February to mid-June.

The first semester includes a five-week accelerated program from early September to mid-October which First Semester students attend.

Courses and Credits: Within the Sorbonne's Cours de Civilisation Française, students pursue French language courses, according to the level of their ability. Other courses, such as literature, politics, economics, philosophy, art, and music are also available. (See detailed descriptions of courses and credits on the next page.) Counseling in Paris is readily available through Céline Garelli, Bethany's official liaison person in France.

Housing: The student may choose to live in a private room or home, to live in a dormitory/foyer, or, under special circumstances, to work "au pair" in exchange for the cost of a room. All living arrangements are made through Bethany and Céline Garelli.

Enrollment: Students are enrolled as regular full-time students at Bethany College.

Tuition and Expenses: Students pay Bethany's regular tuition and fees but do not pay room and board to the College. The College arranges and pays for round-trip air fare (New York-Paris), for tuition fees at the Sorbonne, and for a modest cultural activities program conducted by Céline Garelli. Cost of books, housing, meals, and other expenses while in Europe are borne by the student. These costs vary widely, according to the living arrangement and lifestyle of the student.

At Bethany, during the semester prior to departure, the student must submit:

- A completed Bethany Sorbonne Application Form (attached, to Dr. Nelson)
- A completed Application for Foreign Study to be approved by the International Education Committee (to the Chair of the International Education Committee)
- A completed Sorbonne pre-registration form (to Dr. Nelson)
- A completed Housing Preference Form (to Dr. Nelson)
- A completed liability form (in the Dean of Faculty's office)
- A completed application for the International Student Identity Card (to Dr. Nelson)

Before departure for Paris, the student must have:

- An American passport
 - A student visa (forms available from a French Consulate in the United States)
 - A pre-registration confirmation from the Sorbonne
 - A letter of introduction from Bethany College
 - Three small photos of student for use in Paris
 - An assurance of insurance coverage abroad
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Course of Study • Sorbonne • Fall Semester

Dates: Early September to Mid-October

Title of Course: Session Accélérée (Introduction to France and Intensive French)

Hours Per Week: 25 (five days per week)

Bethany Credits: 6

Remarks: The student planning to attend the regular Sorbonne Fall Semester should also be enrolled in this course. The student, after a placement test, is enrolled at the appropriate level.

Requirements for Credit: The final exam is made up of written, oral and civilization sections. Six credits (with a grade of "credit") are granted if the total number of final exam points equals 50% or more. If less than 50% is achieved, two credits are given for each of the three sections of the exam passed with 50% or better.

Dates: Mid-October to Mid-January

Title of Course: Cours Pratique (French Language, Literature and Civilization)

Hours Per Week: 10 (five days per week)

Bethany Credits: 10

Remarks: The student, after a placement test, is enrolled at the appropriate level. These small classes include language laboratory.

Requirements for Credit: The final exam for the *Certificat de langue française* (includes Cours Pratique only) is made up of an oral and a written section. If their combined total is 50% or more, 10 credits (with a grade of "credit") are granted. If less than 50% is achieved, 5 credits are given for either section passed.

or

If the student chooses to take the exam for one or more Conférences (see below), credit is granted on the oral and written language sections according to the method described above.

Dates: Mid-October to Mid-January

Title of Course: Optional Conférences (a maximum of four lecture courses on subjects such as art, literature, music, geography, philosophy, etc.), registered for and paid for by the student upon arrival in Paris

Hours Per Week: 2 for each Conférence

Bethany Credits: Up to 8 credits

Remarks: Advanced students are encouraged to enroll in and attend these large lecture classes by well-known Sorbonne professors. If one or more of these lecture courses is passed or if the *Diplôme de langue et de civilisation françaises* is achieved, Bethany agrees to waive its usual overload fee for up to 8 additional credits (two per lecture course).

Requirements for Credit: Credit is granted when the chosen Conférence section is passed (50% or better) on the *Diplôme de langue et de civilisation françaises* exam. If these credits constitute an overload, the student does not pay the regular Bethany overload fee.

TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE FALL SEMESTER: Up to 16 (with a possibility of 8 additional credits)

Course of Study • Sorbonne • Spring Semester

Dates: February to late May

Title of Course: Cours Pratique (Advanced French Language, Literature and Civilization)

Hours Per Week: 10 (five days per week)

Bethany Credits: 10

Remarks: The student, after a placement test, is enrolled at the appropriate level. For continuing students, this course is an advanced level of the Cours Pratique of the Fall Semester.

Requirements for Credit: The final exam for the *Certificat de langue française* (includes Cours Pratique only) is made up of an oral and a written section. If their combined total is 50% or more, 10 credits (with a grade of "credit") are granted. If less than 50% is achieved, five credits are given for either section passed.

or

If the student chooses to take the exam for the *Diplôme de langue et de civilisation françaises* (includes up to four Conférences), credit is granted on the oral and written language sections according to the method described above.

Dates: February to late May

Title of Course: Up to 4 Conférences (lecture courses on subjects such as art, literature, music, geography, philosophy, etc.)

Hours Per Week: 2 for each course

Bethany Credits: 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8

Remarks: The student, early in the semester, decides which of these lecture courses to take. The Sorbonne includes four of them on the final exam. The credits may be applied to other Bethany departments, with their permission.

Requirements for Credit: Two credits are granted for each Conférence section passed (50% or better) on the *Diplôme de langue et de civilisation françaises*.

TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER: Up to 18