HOW TO SELECT YOUR COURSES AND COMPLETE YOUR TENTATIVE PROGRAM OF STUDY FORM

Through SBC-JYF’s academic partnerships in Paris, JYF in Paris students may take a combination of courses including:

- Direct enrollment in one of three Paris universities: Université Sorbonne Nouvelle (formerly Paris III), Sorbonne Université (formerly Paris IV) or Université de Paris (formerly Paris VII)
- Sweet Briar College-JYF in Paris Courses
- Private institutes of higher education such as The Institut Catholique, The American Business School of Paris, several language institutes
- Arts music, and dance studios
- An internship and independent study project

To assist you in your selection, please consult the list of subjects, where each is taught and a representative sample of courses taken by recent JYF students as well as the sample enrollments. Select your tentative courses from the available courses listed under each partner institutions in Paris. Please study the course information online very carefully and consult your academic adviser to organize a tentative program in Paris that will meet both your major department needs and your own interests.

ENROLLMENT

JYF students take 4-5 courses per semester depending on your home school's requirements. In the fall semester, the preliminary orientation session counts as 1 course but only if your home school approves it for credit. Each course is 1 unit of credit/3 semester credits each so if your college/university requires you to enroll in 15 credits, you must take 5 courses. Sample enrollments show that most students take one or two Sweet Briar courses and two or three courses from other sources (a Paris university, the Institut Catholique, the American Business School of Paris, a studio, etc.)

In Paris, do not expect to find courses that are exactly equivalent in duration and in content to the courses taught at your own college or university. Licence 1 and Licence 2 level courses are the first 2 years of the French undergraduate degree but they will be more equivalent to 2nd and 3rd year of the American undergraduate degree. Do not select your program according to the titles of the courses: many topics change. Mme Grée, JYF Director will assist you in making your final course selection after you arrive. Look at the type of courses offered in a particular department. For instance, if you wish to take courses in French literature and philosophy, you should be registered at Sorbonne Université rather than Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, since Sorbonne Nouvelle has no philosophy department. If you wish to take courses in French literature and film, you will be registered at Université Sorbonne Nouvelle since that is where cinema, media studies and communications are taught. If you wish to study the physical sciences you will be registered at Université de Paris*.

Try to limit the number of different disciplines you study. Remember that you will eventually choose a total of 4 or 5 courses.
*IMPORTANT NOTE: Université de Paris requires a demonstrated B2 level in French in order to register at this university. Students will be required to take a formal language assessment prior to May 1 for Fall semester or year or November 1 for Spring semester.

UNIVERSITY OF PARIS COURSES
This part of the tentative program of study is particularly important since the JYF staff will decide which Paris university is most appropriate for your needs and register you in this university before your arrival in France. You will be registered at one of the 3 Paris universities indicated above. If you change your mind or your major before arrival, it will not be possible to change your Paris university registration. Year-long students may change their Sorbonne University for the second semester.

University course catalogs do not change significantly from year to year. While the final course lists are not announced by the Paris universities until just prior to each semester, you can expect many of the same or similar courses to be offered each year.

COURSES AT INSTITUTIONS OTHER THAN A PARIS UNIVERSITY
JYF Students may take 1 course at the Institut Catholique or the American Business School of Paris as well as one of the language schools, art, music or dance studios. Contact JYF for more details.

SWEET BRIAR COLLEGE-JYF IN PARIS COURSES
Indicate which of the Sweet Briar courses you wish to take from the list of SBC-JYF courses. These courses are taught by French professors for a small group of Sweet Briar JYF program students and frequently include regular activities outside the classroom. Although we do not require that you take a French language course in Paris, we recommend that you consider taking "Expression écrite," a JYF seminar on composition. This class will help you in all of your other classes as language mistakes in your papers for your university courses in France will result in lower grades. Furthermore, French university professors do not routinely correct every language mistake in your papers. Consequently, without opportunity to focus attention on correct usage and writing skills, you may find that your written French will not improve as much as your spoken French. For these reasons, we encourage you to consider taking the "expression écrite" seminar.

INTERNSHIP OR INDEPENDENT STUDY
If you are interested in doing an internship or independent study please indicate this in your Tentative Program of Study and submit the required approvals and application forms in your online application.

After arrival you will have the opportunity to modify your courses (but not your Paris university) upon consultation with the Program Director.
TENTATIVE PROGRAM OF STUDY IN PARIS

This form must be completed and submitted to JYF by April 15 (fall or year) or by October 30 (spring).

Name: ____________________________________________  Semester:_______________________

Major Field(s): ______________________________________ Home College: __________________

IMPORTANT:
• Please review the course lists and guidance on how to select your courses and complete this form.
• JYF students may take 4-5 courses per semester depending on your home school’s requirements. Each course is worth 1 unit/3 semester hours of credit.
• Your specific courses may change upon arrival but not your Paris university.

PARIS UNIVERSITY COURSES: Please list ONLY those subjects (in preferential order) to be taken in a Paris University. You will be registered at one of the Paris universities based on this selection. Year-long students may change their Sorbonne university for the second semester. Choose your subjects or courses in ONE of the following universities:

___ Université Sorbonne Nouvelle  ___ Sorbonne Université  ___ Université de Paris *

*Important note: Université de Paris requires a demonstrated B2 level in French in order to register at this university. Students will be required to take a formal language assessment prior to May 1 for Fall semester or year or November 1 for Spring semester.

COURSES AT INSTITUTIONS OTHER THAN A PARIS UNIVERSITY: Please list ONLY those subjects (in preferential order) to be taken in a Paris institution other than a university. Students may take 1 course at the Institut Catholique or the American Business School of Paris as well as one of the language schools, art, music or dance studios.

SWEET BRIAR JYF COURSES: Please list here ONLY the Sweet Briar JYF courses desired, in preferential order. (We strongly recommend that you take the "Expression écrite" course.)

INTERNSHIP:  Y   N

The adviser's signature below certifies that all the subjects or courses listed on this form may receive academic credit at your home institution.

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UPLOAD COMPLETED & SIGNED FORM TO YOUR JYF ONLINE APPLICATION