



Global Enrichment Program

2022 France

Eligibility and Application Information

PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY

Tentative Travel Dates: April 21-May 1, 2022 (Dates are subject to change)

Description

Students will travel to the Occitane region of southern France, in the Midi-Pyrenees, to stay in an 18th century chateau that is designated as a Class I French Monument. Students will live, work, and study there together for 9 days. With limited electricity and internet, students will experience what life was like for the original occupants of the Chateau. When the sun sets, students will use candles and flashlights to find their way around. Students will help prepare meals and take care of their space. Students will also interact with the townspeople on a daily basis and practice communicating in French.

While staying at the Chateau, students will participate in Horticulture or Business programs daily. Students will work in teams to execute the projects that they planned for in their pre-program Culture class. Along with their academic activities, students will have opportunities to explore the region by visiting neighboring villages, touring local caves, having local experts come into the Chateau for historical and culinary workshops, horseback riding and hiking.

After their Chateau experience, students will have one day and night in Toulouse to explore French city life and culture. Our hotel will be located right on the town square, giving them walking access to the city's museums and downtown. Toulouse is the fourth largest city in France, but with a much smaller and more accessible feel than Paris.

To be eligible you must:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be in compliance with department and college policies and free of disciplinary action
- Have or be able to obtain a valid U.S. Passport

Additional eligibility requirements for STUDENTS:

- Be declared in a Gateway Associate Degree or Diploma
- Have completed 6 credits
- Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4-point scale) in declared program
- Be able to provide two (2) letters of recommendation from Gateway faculty
- Be available for an interview in November 2021
- Attend orientation in December 2021

Successful candidates should have the social maturity to represent the U.S. and Gateway Technical College abroad with dignity, respect, and accountability for one's actions work well in a team setting, and to be able to handle uncertainty with maturity.

Additional eligibility requirements for STAFF:

- Have been hired prior to December 31, 2020.
- Notify your Dean/Supervisor of dates.
- **Subject to availability (students will have first priority).**

If selected to participate you will be required to:

- Register for and successfully complete course Cultural Elements of Study Abroad (1 credit)
- Meet all deadlines including payment deadlines.
- Participate in **MANDATORY** pre and post departure activities including **MANDATORY Orientations.**
- Submit a signed Publicity Release form.
- Submit a completed Medical/Emergency Information form.
- We reserve the right to request additional health information from you and/or a statement from your health care provider verifying your health prior to departure.
- Submit a copy of the front page of your passport.
- Meet program requirements and comply with any applicable rule, code of conduct, regulation, instruction or law during the program. Noncompliance may result in expulsion from the program, forfeiture of fees and **being immediately sent home at your expense.**

How much will it cost? (all fees are estimated and subject to change) Includes: Airfare, some meals, transportation, standard hotel double occupancy rooms, and insurance.	\$2,791.00
Tuition Cultural Elements of Study Abroad	\$156.73
Total:	\$2,947.73

Other costs to consider, passport and spending money

Financial assistance for Program Fees Students

- New, first time Global Scholars will receive \$750.00 in funds from Gateway
- Previous Global Scholars will receive \$500.00 in funds from Gateway
- If you are eligible for financial aid, you may use it to pay tuition for the required coursework

Employees- may be able apply for \$500 professional development funding (for more information see Employee Handbook)

Fee payment schedule

- \$80.00 fee → refundable if not approved for the program but otherwise non-refundable. Paid after acceptance into program at Orientation.

Course tuition and program fees

- Paid to Gateway and subject to the same payment and refund policies as other Gateway courses. See your student handbook or Student Services Center for further information.

- Student account must be current prior to departure.

Participants who drop from the program will be held responsible for any unrecoverable fees incurred by Gateway Technical College.

TO APPLY: Complete online application by October 29, 2021

Request 2 online recommendations from Gateway Staff (you will need their email address, and let them know you are asking for a recommendation)

Whom do I contact if I have questions? Chinedu Obowu, International Education Coordinator, at 262-564-2505 or obowuc@gtc.edu