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ELF – PARIS, FRANCE

ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND THE CITY

ELF - Ecole de Langue Française is an island of calm in the heart of the city; a charming mansion-house situated within 10 minutes of the world-famous Opera de Paris, the Palais Royal, the Comedie Francaise and the Louvre. It is the ideal place to learn the French language and to gain insight into the life, customs, institutions and the way of thinking of the French people.

The school's facilities include quiet, bright, attractive classrooms on three floors with an elevator, a common room opening onto a terrace, a room with television and video recorder, and a room where students can work with books, cassettes, CD-ROM's.

A team of teachers, all of whom have postgraduate qualifications in teaching French as a Foreign Language, are trained in various pedagogical theories, and also, have many years of experience teaching French. The teachers also specialize in particular subject areas, such as finance, law, business, and exam preparation.

Students should allow plenty of time to see **Paris**. It is so much easier to take things at an easy pace and, if you stroll slowly through the little streets and along the broad avenues, you will be able to appreciate to the fullest, all the charms of the city and her many riches.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

ELF's teaching methods are efficient and dynamic involving the students' active and spontaneous participation, a variety of activities and learning strategies, relaxed atmosphere with class-work based on interaction, and personalized teaching. In order to preserve both the the variety of teaching methods, two teachers alternate in working with each mini-group. Courses are offered at all levels, beginner to advanced, and each lesson is 45 minutes.

Mini-Group Course 15 hours per week. This course consists of general French study in a group setting of no more than 6 students, allowing each student to participate actively and to have maximum speaking practice. Lessons are held in morning from 9.00 to 12.00 or exceptionally from 14.00(2:00PM) to 17.00 (5:00PM), Tuesday through Friday, and from 10.00 to 13.00 (1:00PM) on Mondays.

Mini-Group & Culture Course 19 hours per week-15 General French and 4 cultural classes/excursions. Intermediate Level Required. This course consists of the Mini-Group Course general French study combined with 2 hours of civilization and 2 hours of excursions per week. French lessons are held in morning and the afternoon cultural classes focus upon French cultural and contemporary life, such as painting, fine wines, history of Paris, cinema as a prelude to excursions given by professional guides.

Mini-Group/Tutor Course 19 hours per week. The course includes 15 hours of Mini-Group General French language study combined with 4 hours of individual study per week with a tutor. The individual study has the advantage of being made-to-measure to meet the specific needs of the student.

Tutor Course 10 hour per week. This course has the advantage of being tailored to student's level, requirements, and individual timetable. It also can be oriented, if required, to a particular professional field, for instance to finance, insurance, law, tourism, or for preparation for the Chambre de Commerce de Paris, or preparation for the DELF or the DALF examinations.

Intensive Weekend Immersion Course 21 hours per weekend. This course includes 21 hours of lessons, from Friday morning to Sunday evening, or from Saturday morning to Monday evening. Each day is 7 hours of classes plus lunch with the teacher at a restaurant. Cost includes lodging in a 3 star hotel for 4 nights with breakfast daily.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Homestays Students receive a warm welcome from Parisian families carefully chosen by ELF. Students have their own room within apartments located in residential areas of Paris and adjacent suburbs. Breakfast is provided daily.

Hotels are available at additional cost.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

ELF will arrange optional guided tours around Paris and its museums, as well as coached excursions to various chateaus around Paris. The school also offers special interest activities.

Lunch with a Teacher The student has lunch with a French teacher in a good restaurant near the school at additional cost.

Cours de Cuisine Courses are organized in the Ecole de gastronomie française du RITZ ESCOFFIER at additional cost.

TO REGISTER:

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Program & Admission Information - Paris, France

Programs

The teaching methods are both efficient and dynamic, and involve:

- The students' active and spontaneous participation
- A variety of activities and learning strategies
- A relaxed atmosphere with class-work based on interaction
- Personalized teaching and pedagogical supervision.

To develop comprehension and expression, teachers have at their disposal a wide choice of teaching aids, authentic texts, cassettes, videos, and CD-ROMs. Material for each class is chosen based on subject matter and teacher preference. To ensure that students receive the highest possible training two teachers alternate in working with each mini-group.

Courses start every Monday for all levels except beginners. Beginners can start only on the first Monday of each month. Courses are offered at all levels, beginner to advanced, and each lesson is 45 minutes in duration.

Students are requested to arrive at 8.30 on the first Monday to take an initial test in oral and written French. On Mondays, classes therefore start at 10:00. Each Monday students receive an individual timetable of classes, civilization courses, films to be shown, and the week's extracurricular activities.

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The afternoon cultural classes focus upon French cultural and contemporary life, such as painting, fine wines, history of Paris, cinema as a prelude to excursions given by professional guides.

Mini-Group/Tutor Course 20 hours per week. The course includes 15 hours of Mini-Group General French language study combined with 5 hours of individual study per week with a tutor. The individual study has the advantage of being made-to-measure to meet the specific needs of the student, such as preparation for special exams, technical French, business, legal and scientific terms, etc.

Tutor Course 10 hour per week. This course has the advantage of being tailored to student's level, requirements, and individual timetable. It also can be oriented, if required, to a particular professional field, for instance to finance, insurance, law, tourism, or to the examinations for the Chambre de Commerce de Paris, or preparation for the DELF or the DALF examinations.



Programs

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Tutor Course

Admissions &
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Certificates and Exams

Activities

Extracurricular
Activities

Comments

"The program is excellent. I was not disappointed in the school nor in the program. I learned a great deal of conversational French. I enjoyed being in the small classes with other European students. We all received a lot of individualized instruction."

Teacher, Cleveland, OH.

"We (my family and I) became very close and I think this relationship will last a long time."

Teacher, Nashville, TN

"Excellent teachers, small classes, individual attention, interesting and flexible classes."

Teacher, Denver, CO

"It was all great! I would do it again in a flash! We had a great group of classmates and good teachers."

University Students, Highland Ranch, CO

"Every student attended class every day, which added to the unity of the class. The school setting was highly attractive with a cafe like look which improved enjoyment of the experience. The staff was relaxed, helpful and friendly."

Geography Teacher, Everett, WA

Admissions & Academic Credit

All students aged 18 years and older are welcomed regardless of educational background, occupation or nationality. No previous knowledge of French is required except where otherwise indicated.

Students desiring credit for their language study program should contact their home school or request the NRCSA Credit Fact Sheet. U.S. schools which have granted credit for their own students attending this institution have done so on the basis of 15 hours or instruction equaling one semester credit.

For more information about academic credit in French speaking countries, [please click here](#).

For general information on academic credit, [please click here](#).

Certificates and Exams

All the students who have regularly followed the course will receive a Certificate indicating the level attained.

The following exam preparation courses are available at an additional cost:

- Grandes Ecoles competitive examinations
- Chambre de Commerce de Paris
- DELF
- DALF

ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Foreign language immersion classes
- ✓ Small interactive group and/or one-on-one instruction
- ✓ Culture program integrated into conversation classes, activities
- ✓ Meet-the-People interaction at school, homestays, & community events
- ✓ Orientation covering attractions, how to, health, safety, entertainment
- ✓ Academic assessments, placement-exit tests, Achievement Certificate
- ✓ Lodging (reduced fee if no lodging needed)
- ✓ Meals and/or cooking facilities at most centres
- ✓ Insurance: medical and accident - see below
- ✓ Emergency Hotline staffed 24 hours/day - see below
- ✓ Housing Coordinator familiar with area homestays, apartments, hotels
- ✓ Activity Coordinator facilitates transfers, cultural/social activities, tours
- ✓ Program Director experienced working with foreign participants
- ✓ Qualified, experienced, and certified educators
- ✓ Weekly proficiency goals and progress assessments
- ✓ Planning and Orientation materials
- ✓ International Ambiance, participants from around-the-world welcome
- ✓ Telecom assistance, web/e-mail access, usually on-site
- ✓ Local taxes for included services
- ✓ 24:7 Culture Immersion w/ native speakers: class, homestay, community
- ✓ **ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE the following INSURANCE***

ACCIDENT INSURANCE up to \$10,000 SICKNESS INSURANCE up to \$10,000

EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION up to \$25,000

EMERGENCY REUNION up to \$5,000

REPATRIATION up to \$7,500

LIFE INSURANCE \$5,000

plus

24 HOUR EMERGENCY WORLDWIDE MULTI-LINGUAL TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE

MANY ALSO OFFER

- ✓ **Tours:** cultural visits, day and weekend fieldtrips
- ✓ **Art:** classes/workshops, craft, dance, theater, fashion, music, photo
- ✓ **Humanities:** culture, area studies, hist, lit, gov't, educ, comm, plus...
- ✓ **Health:** golf, swimming, tennis, diving, skiing, riding, plus...
- ✓ **Special:** vocabulary classes tailored to your professional needs
- ✓ **Lodging:** homestay, apartment, dorm, hotel, special diet
- ✓ **Food:** home cooking, cooking classes, dine-around, wine tasting
- ✓ **Family:** services, daycare, child classes, community services
- ✓ **Teacher:** training, workshops, practicums, practice teaching, ECH
- ✓ **Teen:** camps and youth programs (including experiential)
- ✓ **University:** credit, undergraduate and graduate
- ✓ **Professional:** development credit in many fields, licensure, CEU
- ✓ **Volunteer:** medical, social service, ecology, teach plus...
- ✓ **Internships:** business, media, arts, eco, tourism, computer, plus...
- ✓ **Business:** classes, visits, networking, executive support services
- ✓ **Peer-to-Peer:** share interests, network by profession or hobby
- ✓ **Current Events & Professional Workshops, Holiday Courses**
- ✓ **Distance** educ liaison service, independent studies, research assist
- ✓ **Free** books and course materials. Return at end of studies
- ✓ **Free** airport transfers and internet access
- ✓ **Assessment** reports for attendance, progress, acculturation if needed
- ✓ **Medical:** professional training, law, social work, sciences etc.

** If you have a problem while studying abroad, call the 24 hour hotline! Call Any Time from Anywhere! Medical or travel emergencies, legal or medical or embassy referrals, lost passport or luggage, emergency message relay, coordinating emergency prescription replacement or cash transfer, emergency translations, 24-hour medical monitoring. Problems seldom occur, but when they do, it is nice to know insurance and worldwide assistance are included in your cost for study dates prepaid through NRCSA as reflected on your NRCSA confirmation. Additional optional insurance available upon request. Refer to the certificate for specific terms, conditions and other details regarding benefits, limitations, eligibility and exclusions of this plan. Questions? Contact NRCSA: Tel: 414-278-0631 ... E-Mail: info@nrcca.com ... Web: <http://www.nrcca.com>*

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