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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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Check out our website at <http://www.nrcea.com> or e-mail us at study@nrcea.com

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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Admissions &
Academic Credit
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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PREREGISTRATION FORM – NRCSA PROGRAMS

1. Complete & send to NRCSA, P.O. Box 1393, Milwaukee, WI 53201, USA • Tel. (414) 278-0631 • Fax (414) 271-8884 • Web: www.nrcca.com
2. Enclose a non-refundable deposit/registration fee of \$140 per person, per program, payable to NRCSA (\$40 registration fee & \$100 program deposit applied towards the program costs).
3. Register early. Add \$40 per person late enrollment fee if paying in full within 40 days of departure. Within 20 days, payments by certified check.
4. Credit Cards may be used for deposits (see "H" below). NRCSA street address for overnight deliveries is 207 East Buffalo Street, Suite 610, Milwaukee, WI 53202 USA. You are welcome to photocopy this form. Please send separate form for each school if taking multiple programs.

A. Name(s) _____ Sex _____ Birthdate _____ Citizenship _____
Please print

 Employer _____ Occupation _____
If student, school attending and year

Street: _____ Tel. Home: _____
Street address (not P.O. Box) where someone can sign for documents sent to you.

City/State/Zip: _____ Fax: _____
 E-mail: _____

In Emergency, notify: _____
(Name, Address, Phone)

B. BACKGROUND: _____
Describe your background in the course you're taking abroad. Check your ability level:

- Beginner Post Beginner
 Intermediate Advanced

C. LODGING: _____
Schools will try (cannot guarantee) to meet them. Special Diet (may be available) at additional cost.

Check Preferences.

- Single Share Twin Other: _____
 Yes Smoking No Smoking Either
 Yes Pets No Pets Either
 Yes Children No Children Either

D. GOALS: _____

E. INSURANCE: Includes prepaid study dates. To extend coverage up to 30 days before/after study dates, add \$5/day or \$19/week and advise dates.

- PREFER:** Homestay Involvement Freedom to Come/Go
ARE YOU? Quiet Outgoing Frequent Traveler
OBJECTIVES: Enrichment Academic Credit Job Related
HOBBIES: Reading Music Cooking Jogging Sports

F. PROGRAM INFORMATION	School/Center
Program Name (use title from Dates & Fees)	City/Country
Date: Start Program	Date: Start Lodging (most start day before)
No. of hours day/week	No. of weeks attending
Disabilities/Allergies/Health Problems	2nd Choice Program
How did you learn about NRCSA?	Social Security Number
Options (see program for choices)	
Your Signature (if you are under age 18, both parents must also sign)	

INSURANCE INCLUDED for PRE-PAID STUDY DATES

ACCIDENT / MEDICAL INSURANCE UP TO \$10,000

EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION UP TO \$25,000

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REPATRIATION UP TO \$7,500

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For More Info: <http://www.nrcca.com/INS24hrHotline.html>

H. CREDIT CARDS:

For program deposit only (*not final payment*) check:
 VISA Mastercard American Express Amount Charged \$ _____

Card Number (13 or more numbers) Exp Date

SIGNATURE (as on card) PRINT name (as on card)

CHANGE FEES of at least \$35 apply for each change you make. Some "changes" may result in cancellation fees.

CANCELLATIONS are effective the day received in writing by NRCSA in Milwaukee. All payments less \$140 per program fully refundable up to 60 days prior to departure. For cancellations within 60 days of departure, \$250 per person is not refundable; within 40 days of departure, less 50% of program cost or \$300 per person (whichever is greater); within 14 days of departure, 100% of program cost is non refundable. Airline cancellation penalties, if any, are in addition to those outlined above. Cancellation penalties are per person, per program. Medical, baggage (above that included) and cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. Attach a note if you have a medical condition or Rx which the school/center should know about.

CONDITIONS: Each institution listed herein is independent of the National Registration Center for Study Abroad (hereinafter referred to as NRCSA, controls, and will periodically make changes in the program. Classes may fill, be changed, or dropped by the sponsoring academic institutions. NRCSA is a division of Mibar Ltd. and is not responsible for these changes or other actions beyond its control such as strikes, postal delays or loss, mechanical breakdowns, weather, government actions, delay or acts/omissions of suppliers. NRCSA may make changes or substitutions or cancel any program. In the event of entire program cancellation by NRCSA, liability is limited to refunding all monies paid to NRCSA for said program. Passengers electing not to use portions of a program shall not be entitled to a refund. No agent or representative of NRCSA shall have the right to alter the provisions listed herein. Costs based on tariffs and exchange rates effective the date of printing of this material, and are subject to change. Additional costs resulting from such change will be paid by the participant. Registrations are valid when accepted by NRCSA in Milwaukee. The passage contract used by the airline, when issued, is the sole agreement between it and you. Photographs of or statements by participants may be used by NRCSA. NRCSA, group leaders or foreign coordinators, at their discretion, may get medical assistance for participants, or place them in a hospital, or fly them back to the U.S. for medical treatment. All costs related to medical treatment or evacuation will be paid by the participant. As visitors you are expected to adhere to foreign rules and customs. If the foreign staff feels you are not adhering to these rules and customs, your participation in the program shall terminate immediately without refund whatsoever. A "homestay" is defined as living with a local person(s) in the foreign country and may not be multi generational, multinational, etc. It is the responsibility of the participant to have required proof of citizenship and visa(s) if applicable - check with the consulate of the country(s) you will be visiting.

INFORMATION USE: Information provided to NRCSA will be shared with participating organizations to facilitate your registration.

NOTE: Classes canceled in honor of local holidays are not made up. Foreign Language schools use placement tests. If there is no group at your level, smaller group or tutor classes may be substituted with fewer hours per week. Classes are conducted entirely in the target language. See **Fast Facts Guide** for more information.