

UW in Paris

Academic Notes

Please refer to your IAP Study Abroad Handbook for a complete list of UW policies. These academic notes supply additional information specific to your program.

The Academic Program

The UW in Paris program offers a customized opportunity for UW-Madison students to study in Paris, France at the CIEE Global Institute - Paris. This program operates on a block schedule with UW students being able to elect to participate for 2 OR 3 blocks. A UW-Madison professor will offer two courses in their area of teaching and serve as a Program Leader (PL) for UW students. Professors of the CIEE Paris program will teach CIEE Elective Courses. Participants attend classes at the CIEE Global Institute - Paris with students of the CIEE Paris program. UW PL courses are with students of the UW program only. CIEE electives are with UW and other US students studying at the CIEE Global Institute.

Limits and Load

Students are expected to enroll in a full-time academic program. The requirement on this program is 12-18 credits.

Students enroll in 6-7 credits per block. Semester students choose between blocks I & II (13 credits) or blocks I,II, & III (15-18 credits). You must take at least 12 credits to maintain full-time student status while on the semester program.

Courses and Registration

All courses are taught in English. Class sizes range from 1-20+ students depending on enrollment. Four of your 12-18 credits will come from required courses. The remainder of your credits will come from CIEE Elective Courses.

You are required to take both courses taught by the UW Program Leader. The first course is 3 credits during the first block. The second course is 1 credit during the second block.

Participants sign up for classes in the fall before leaving for Paris as part of their post-acceptance forms through CIEE. The course selection in the fall is your actual registration for your courses. Choose your courses accurately as the course schedule is set for the term based on enrollment interest.

Equivalents and Course Equivalent Request Form (CER)

Each course you take abroad must be assigned a UW-Madison “equivalent” and the grade you receive in the course also transfers back to be recorded on your UW-Madison transcript. In order to establish UW-Madison course equivalents for your study abroad courses, you will submit a Course Equivalent Request (CER) through your MyStudyAbroad account. Detailed information on the UW course equivalent process is available in the IAP Study Abroad Handbook and in your MyStudyAbroad account under the Academics tile.

Note that every course you take abroad must be awarded an equivalent UW course. There are no exceptions. It is important to start the equivalent process as soon as possible to avoid any delay in posting your study abroad courses to your UW Madison transcript.

Note: *Introduction to Engineering* is not equivalent to a course in Engineering at UW. It will count as a Study Abroad Topics course (SAB). For more information about SAB course, please refer to the Study Abroad Handbook.

Internship

UW-Madison students cannot receive UW-Madison credit for taking the CIEE Internship Seminar.

Credits

CIEE credits convert to UW-Madison credits at a 1:1 rate. Therefore, a 3 credit CIEE course will be recorded on your UW-Madison transcript as 3 UW credits. Classes are typically 3 credits each.

Pass/Fail/Drop/Audit

Please refer to the IAP Study Abroad Handbook for Academic Policies. In order to take a course pass/fail, you must request the course as pass/fail when submitting course equivalency requests (CERs) in the Academics tile of your MyStudyAbroad account. IAP will review and approve or deny your pass/fail request in accordance with our policy. The deadline for requesting pass/fail can also be found in the Academics tile of your My Study Abroad account.

Grades and Grade Conversions

CIEE Grade	UW-Madison equivalent grade
A+ / A	A
A- / B+	AB
B	B
B- / C+	BC
C / C-	C
D+ / D / D-	D
F	F