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- FREN 313: French Composition and Grammar
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- FREN 360: French Language Study Abroad
- FREN 361: Current Issues in France
- FREN 362: Current Issues in the French-Speaking World
- FREN 363: Advanced French Culture
- FREN 390: Special Topics in French and/or Francophone Studies
- FREN 490: Special Topics in French Literature and Culture
- FREN 496: Directed Reading

PROGRAM DATES

Sept. 4- Dec. 21, 2020

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- Housing and 2 meals/day with French families
- Transportation from Paris to La Rochelle upon arrival
- Program Excursions with group
- All ground transportation during program excursions
- International Medical Insurance
- International Student ID Card
- Non-refundable application fee of $50

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- Tuition: Students will pay their normal CofC tuition.
- All financial aid and scholarships that students normally receive will apply.
- Roundtrip international airfare to/from France
- Passport and Visa Fees
- Travel outside of program excursions
- Personal expenses including food not provided on program

> SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships between $500- $2000 each are available to support CofC degree-seeking students to study abroad; eligibility is based on demonstrated financial need and academic merit. Applications can be found on the CIE website: https://international.cofc.edu under Scholarships. For departmental scholarships go to http://french.cofc.edu/scholarships/index.php to apply online.

> TO APPLY

To apply visit https://cofc.via-trm.com.

For more information contact the Center for International Education at (843)953-7661 or studyabroad@cofc.edu.

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The application deadline is April 1, 2020. Please note that a non-refundable $50 application fee, will be charged to the student’s eBill once the application has been accepted by the CIE. This fee is included in the program fee of $4,800.