

# FALL 2020 SEMESTER UPDATES

August 13, 2020

APA understands the difficulty surrounding the uncertainty of what lies ahead in the upcoming months and we are working hard to clear the hurdles to have a safe, healthy, and memorable fall semester abroad. Please use the following modifications to the Fall 2020 semester as a guide to help with your planning. This alternate schedule may change, pending further COVID-19 developments.

Multi-Country and Paris cohorts will merge. Due to travel restrictions to and from Morocco and Senegal at this time, all students will follow courses in Paris.

### **Health Measures**

Planning and preparation is underway for a number of measures such as:

- Providing hand sanitizer at point of entry to the APA office
- Encouraging frequent hand washing
- Configuring classrooms to ensure social distancing

## Program Schedule Expectations Dates: September 9 - December 20, 2020

The program is outlined as follows:

- September 9 11: Orientation
- September 14 December 4: Courses in Paris
- December 7 December 18: Final exams, pending Paris university exam schedules

Worried about the timing? No sweat! Students can start the program as late as **September 16**.

#### **Entering France**

Students who hold a valid passport to an European Union-member country or the UK, Switzerland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway **do not** need a student visa to enter France.

Students who hold a valid US passport must go through the standard student visa application process. APA has received confirmation from the French Consulate that student visa processing is designated as high priority, regardless of country of origin. As of today, August 13, 2020, 100% of our cohort have received visa appointments.

A negative COVID-19 test result is required to enter France.

#### Academics

Students will follow all of their courses (up to four) at APA's partner institutions in Paris. APA in-house electives in art history and political science will not be offered.

Course shopping will be maintained: Students can visit up to 10 classes and then choose which ones to follow for the rest of the semester.

**Confirmed:** In-person instruction will be at the following institutions:

- INALCO (l'Institut national des langues et civilisations orientales)
- Sorbonne Université
- Université Paris Diderot
- Université Paris 8 Saint-Denis

Customized language support will continue as planned. Academic tutoring will be arranged, as needed.

#### Culture

To be modified if necessary:

- September 9 23: Visits to notable sites and neighborhoods in Paris
- September 19: Visit to Versailles
- October 2 4: Weekend excursion to Burgundy
- November 26: Thanksgiving
- 5 6 cultural events: 4 spectacles (dance, theater, concerts), cheese tasting, cooking class
- Farewell party

#### Housing

Choice of housing will remain the same: homestay (daily breakfast + choice of 3 or 5 dinners/week), student residence (daily breakfast + 5 dinners/week), or independent living.

#### **Program Fees**

Inclusive pricing encompasses tuition, academic and language support, cultural activities, on-site support staff, and choice of housing.

- Tuition: \$18,900
- Homestay option 1 (daily breakfast + 5 dinners/week): \$6,950
- Homestay option 2 (daily breakfast + 3 dinners/week): \$6,400
- Student Residence option 1 (daily breakfast + 5 dinners/week): \$4,150 \$4,950 (to fluctuate depending on location)
- Independent Living: Accommodations arranged directly between student and landlord

Talk to us about your budget! If you are a student with demonstrated financial need, contact APA at usa@apaparis.com