

PARIS

Mt. San Antonio College

Spend four weeks in one of the most important and influential cities in the world. Over the years, Paris has inspired artists, writers and philosophers alike, and continues to do so with the centuries of history on every street. Paris is a modern, fast-paced yet romantic city bursting with excitement and inspiration from around the world.

Included

- **Accommodation** in homestays with local families with breakfast daily.
- **Orientation program** on-site in Paris including a meeting with AIFS staff, information packet, half-day guided sightseeing tour of Paris by private bus and welcome dinner.
- **Navigo travel pass** for use on the buses, métro and RER in the central zone of Paris.
- **Visits with entrances to:** the Eiffel Tower, Musée d'Orsay and Père Lachaise Cemetery.
- **Guided walking tours** of Montmartre, the Latin Quarter, Montparnasse, Saint-Germain-des-Prés and the Marais.
- **Guided half-day excursion** to Versailles (with entrance to the château), Fontainebleau château (with entrance) and Giverny (with entrance to Monet's house).
- **Access to the AIFS Student Services office** for information, personal advising/counseling and 24-hour emergency contact service.
- **Student medical and program fee refund insurance policies.**

Fees

Based on an enrollment of 20 or more participants, the fee per person is \$3,345.

This fee excludes airfare, a \$125 refundable damage deposit, passport or visa fees, optional insurance upgrades, meals other than those listed, personal expenses, any Mt. SAC tuition or administrative fees, textbooks, additional field trips or excursions required by the Mt. SAC faculty and anything not specified.

These fees are guaranteed not to change as a result of fluctuations in the \$ exchange rate.

Optional Transportation Package

An optional Transportation Package is available, consisting of round-trip airfare between Los Angeles and Paris, and round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the housing in Paris for an additional \$TBC. This fare excludes mandatory U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges of \$TBC (subject to change) for which students will be billed separately.

A minimum of 12 students must purchase the flight for it to be offered.

Program Dates

Depart U.S.:
Saturday, July 2

Arrive Paris:
Sunday, July 3

Depart Paris:
Saturday, July 30

*Deadline to apply is
Friday, March 18, 2016.*

Deposit of \$450 is due at the time of application.

For more information, contact:

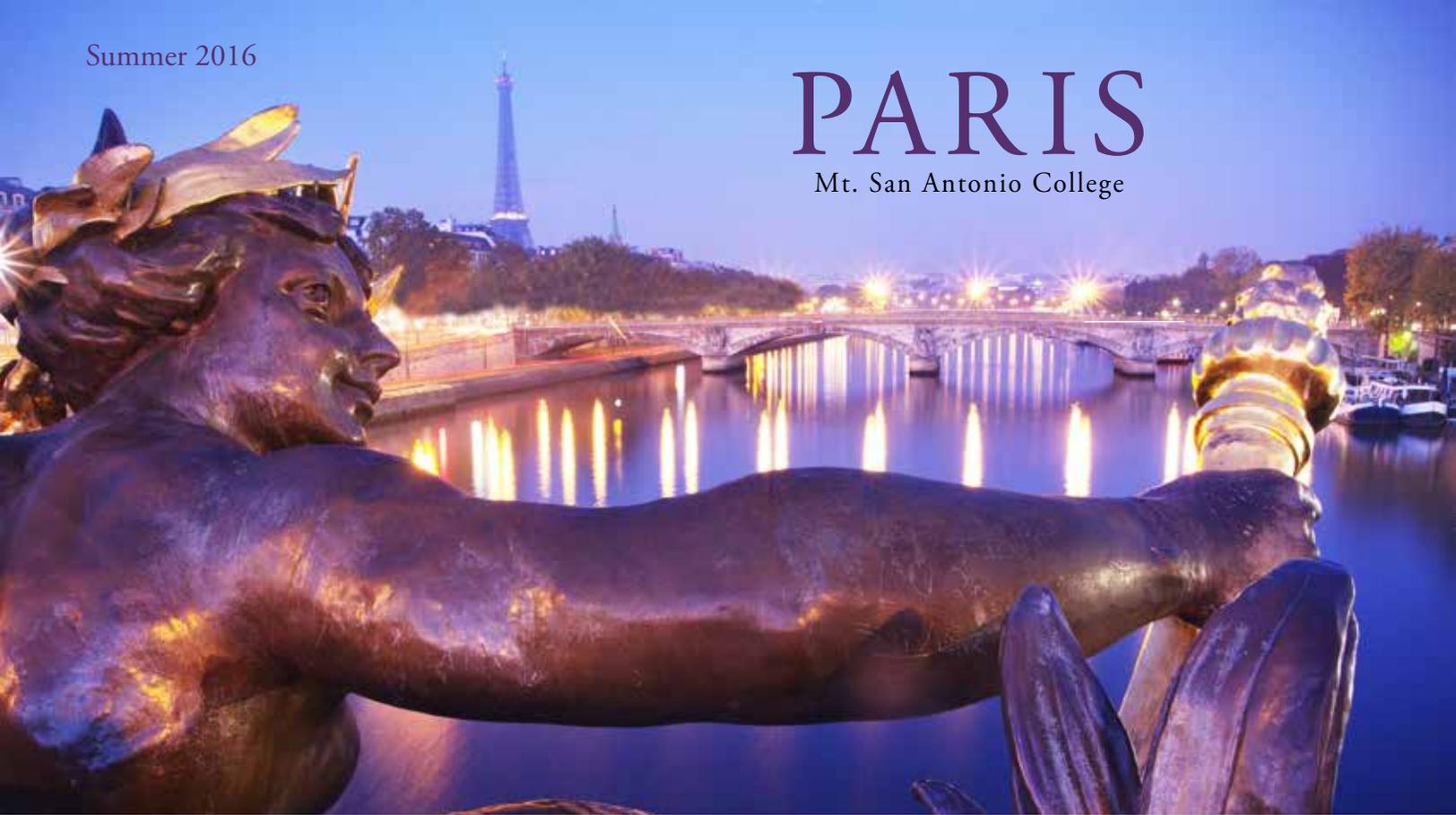
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Courses and Faculty

French Culture through Cinema

This course provides glimpses into French and European culture. The type of movies shown reflects a different sensitivity and approach to life's challenges than movies made in Hollywood. Well-known characteristics of French movies are their perspicacious psychological analyses and exploration of social and political topics. At the same time, the French have always liked comedies. After watching the movies, we will explore the real locations and taste the French culture. This course is a 3-unit general education course open to EVERYBODY. It transfers to the CSU and to the UC systems. No knowledge of French is necessary.

LCOMM1 – French Study Abroad, French Cinema

The LCOMM1 course is an excellent and vital extension to “French Culture through Cinema” because it displays a total comprehension of the French movies, their history, their politics, and their culture. Students will explore the region where the movies and history were made; hence, they will fully understand each concept learned in the classroom while watching and discussing the

movies. The students will walk the same streets as the movie stars, walk around tombs of famous French people they learned about, walk amongst monuments and famous landmarks they have seen in the movies. Their learning will become alive in seeing and touching everything they have learned. This course is the best way to immerse the students in the French culture.

Biographical Notes

Solène Halabi was born in Besançon, France; raised in Damascus, Syria; and married in California. She attended a French School and received her French baccalauréat. Next, she received her Bachelor's degree in French from Damascus University, Syria. When she came to the US, she received her Masters in French from Cal State Fullerton and her second Masters in Cross-Cultural Education from National University. She goes to France every now and then to visit her family there. She has been teaching all levels of French at Mt. SAC since 2001. She will be teaching the French Culture Through Cinema class and is looking forward to it!

Lina Lahham: Born and raised in a multi-lingual family, Mrs. Lahham began her childhood education at the French, Catholic school, Franciscaine. She continued her education at Cal State Fullerton, where she earned both a Bachelor's and Master's degree in French literature. She has been teaching high school French for 20 years. She also has been teaching beginning and intermediate French language at the collegiate level at Mt. SAC for the last 10 years. Mrs. Lahham has been to France over a dozen times since the year 2000 and has led multiple small group tours to France. She looks forward to this program, her latest adventure with Mt. SAC.

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