



**CHESTNUT  
HILL  
COLLEGE**  
Global Education Office

# France



## American Business School Paris



The campus also allows access to top-level sporting facilities at the CDFAS (Centre Départemental de Formation et d'Animation Sportive) in Eaubonne, near Paris.

It is a minute away, walking distance, from the Canal St-Martin and the famous bridge seen in the movie Amélie Poulain!

### Academics

The programs offered at the American Business School Paris are the perfect combination to enhance students' business education as well as experience Parisian life. All classes are taught in English. Students choose courses amongst a large selection of business and liberal arts topics. French language Beginner, intermediate, and more advanced classes as well as French civilization allow the students to learn more about French culture. Many excursions are a part of the class requirements.

### Housing

As an exchange student, American Business School Paris does not offer on campus housing. Instead you will be able to have several possibilities of several apartments that are located in various parts in the city of Paris. The School will assist you in making housing arrangements. These rooms are completely either double or single occupancy. Students also have the option of choosing a homestay.

### The Location

Paris, the capital of France and also known as the "City of Lights" is a centerpiece of world culture and business. Situated on the River Seine, Paris is a confluence of political dynamism, educational excellence, fashion innovation and artistic inspiration. With an abundance of monuments that capture the glorious past of France, and its impact on modern civilization, Paris also creates an atmosphere epitomizing the cutting edge of modern trends. Famous sites and landmarks such as the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre Museum, the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Champs Elysees have established Paris as one of the world most popular tourist destinations.

### The School

The campus is home to 10 schools and over 3,000 students and includes a library, cafeteria, Lecture theaters and teaching rooms, IT rooms, Internet access and a WIFI network.

Eligibility	<b>Chestnut Hill College</b>
Study Period	<b>Fall and/or Spring</b>
Language of Instruction	<b>French/English</b>
Type of Housing	<b>Apartment/ Homestay</b>
Approximate semester dates	<b>Fall: September-December</b> <b>Spring: January - May</b> <b>Summer: June-July</b>
CHC partner	<b>Since 2008</b>
Housing Costs	<b>Approx. \$1100/ month</b>



## Visas

You must schedule an in-person appointment at your assigned consulate via its official website. The consulate website features an online calendar that shows available timeslots. Appointments for visa applications are available in the morning only. Your visa appointment must take place no more than 90 days before your departure to France.

Your assigned consulate's website also provides the most up-to-date and comprehensive information about student visas as well as a list of documents that you are required to bring to your visa appointment. Upon the examination of your file, and at the discretion of the consular officer assigned to you, you may be required to provide documents in addition to those listed on the website. Please note: During periods of peak activity in the consulates, especially in the summer, available slots fill up very quickly, and sometimes it may be up to four weeks until the next appointment is available. Campus France cannot get an appointment for you. If you have trouble getting an appointment, we suggest that you frequently check the consulate's online schedule in case a slot opens up due to a cancellation.

You must present yourself in person at your appointment at the French consulate. You cannot ask a friend or a relative to go to your visa appointment on your behalf.

**Timing:** Your appointment at the consulate should take place at least two weeks before your planned date of departure for France. To be on the safe side, we strongly encourage you to visit your consulate's website to book your appointment at least six to eight weeks before your planned departure date.

Always err on the side of caution. The earlier you start preparing for your departure to France, the better. Neither Campus France nor the visa authorities at the French consulate can make special arrangements to accommodate your planned date

of departure to France or the beginning date of your academic program. You cannot go to France and begin studying before your visa is granted.

## Air Travel

CHC students are responsible for making their own travel arrangements. Please see the Global Education Office for assistance.

## Tuition

CHC students continue to pay CHC tuition and fees while attending The American Business School. Students are billed for tuition and fees plus a Global Education fee. Keep in mind that all financial aid can be applied towards your study in France since you are participating with an official CHC sponsored program. Students do not pay any tuition fees in France. Please note you will pay for your own room and board, any travel, personal expenses, and activities you participate in.

## Academic Calendar

The term for fall semester is from early September to mid-December, and the term for spring is from Late January to mid-May.

## Health Insurance

All CHC students are required to maintain health insurance while abroad. All CHC students also **MUST** purchase an ISIC card prior to study abroad. You may find out your current health insurance does not cover travel overseas. Your health insurance carrier must provide written verification of coverage. The Global Education Office can assist you in purchasing supplemental coverage. All students in France are allowed to participate in the national health care. There is a waiting period of 6 weeks after registering at the national registration office. During this waiting period you must pay for any medical services you need and use your private insurance purchased in the United States.

## So, how do I get started?

Simply come by the Global Education Office to pick up an application form. Remember- Applications are due March 1 for the fall term and October 1 for the spring term.