The Location
Paris, the capital of France 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-Élysées have established Paris as one of the world’s most popular tourist destinations.

The School
Paris-Sorbonne University makes up the main inheritor of the old Sorbonne, which dates back to the 13th century. It was one of the first universities in the world. The University has two characteristics: rich culture and tradition. In addition, the school has top-quality researchers, and therefore an excellent scientific reputation shown through publications and international exchanges. The Sorbonne aims to constantly adapt to present day social and technological changes. The university incites its students to think freely and to construct their own judgment, so that they can become responsible and inventive citizens who can promote dignity and a culture of peace.

Academics
All classes are taught in French. For French lessons, students should contact the "Cours de civilisation française de la Sorbonne" (Phone number: 00 33 1 44 10 77 00; email: contact@ccfs-sorbonne.fr). Courses are offered in the following programs: Languages, French & Classics, Arts, Human Sciences, Communication, and Education.

Housing
Paris-Sorbonne University does not offer on-campus housing. As an exchange student, you will have the opportunity to live in the city of Paris. The School will assist you in making housing arrangements. These rooms are either double or single occupancy.
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 Paris-Sorbonne University. 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 October to January, and the term for spring is from February to June.

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 U.S.

So, how do I get started?

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