Overview

Semesters Available: Fall (June-December)
GPA Requirement: Strong academic performance
Language of Instruction: English, but willingness to learn French is important!

If you are an Animal Science major hoping to experience something very special during a semester abroad, then this program is for you. The program is not your average study abroad program (nor for your average student)! We've coined this semester "the traveling program" since you'll get to see a lot of France during your six months abroad.

Internship placements are matched with your interest and background—-you won't be making copies; we want you to get your hands dirty and learn something along the way.

Program Structure

Part I: From the Farm to the Fork...A Sustainable Food Chain
Dates: Month of June
Based in: Angers, France
Credits: 4
Includes cultural field trips, classes and company visits. Topics may include French meat production, sustainable agriculture, intercropping, global trade policy, EU agricultural policy, French culture & Language and French agronomy.

Part II: Internship Placement
Dates: July & August
Based in: Location will vary depending on internship placement. Student will live on site with family.
Credits: 3
Students are placed on farms or in companies according to their wishes (dairy, pig or horticultural farms, market gardening, food industry...). On a farm, they can stay full-board with the family during their placement, sharing in all the farm activities as well as family life.

Our partner institution organizes and monitors these placements. On their arrival in Angers, the group of foreign students attend a day-long presentation of the French agricultural system and are given information on the placement. At the end of the placement, another two-day session is organized in Angers when they can give feedback on their experience and share comments and opinions. They are requested to write a report to describe the farm or the company and the activities they took part in.

Part III: Modules/Classwork in European Animal Management
Dates: September-December
Based in: Toulouse (with 3 weeks in Angers)
Credits: 12
Learn:
- animal farm analysis: animal sciences and techniques, microeconomics
- commercial chain analysis: market, European and national policiesStudy tours are organized in different regions and countries (Belgium, West of France, etc.)

Modules (students take all, in sequence):
Livestock performances in Europe
Animal farms management: methods
Animal farms management: European comparison*
Production system analysis
Market & policies: methods
Market & policies: European comparison
Global analysis in European animal chains

**Program Costs**

Students are billed their regular CALS tuition, with no added administrative fees. Students purchase plane tickets and pay remaining costs such as housing, meals, student visa application fees, local travel, and personal expenses. Some partner institutions charge student activity fees and/or health insurance plans which students are also responsible for.

Financial aid travels with students going abroad. Students must complete with grades equivalent to a Cornell “C” or better. Financial aid for study abroad is need-based, consistent with university and government policies and covers all costs relevant to study abroad, including tuition, all mandatory program fees, housing, meals, books, personal expenses, and round-trip airfare. If you are currently receiving financial aid, your aid package will be adjusted based on your determined level of need and the projected costs for your study abroad program. University grant aid and loan awards may be either increased or decreased to meet study abroad need. The normal work-study component of aid packages will be converted to student loans.

**How to Apply**

You will apply to the exchange after meeting with the CALS study abroad and exchange advisor in 140 Roberts Hall. All application materials will be returned to CALS—not the university directly.

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**Estimated 2014 Budget** *(June-December)*

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<th>Part</th>
<th>Costs</th>
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<tr>
<td>Part 1: Introduction program including housing, food, cultural visits, transportation</td>
<td>$1,890</td>
<td>Paid directly to Partner Institution (Financial Aid for eligible students)</td>
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<td>Part 2: Internship placement</td>
<td>Varies based on location. Room and most meals provided (student responsible for travel to/from internship, as well as local &amp; personal expenses—varies by location)</td>
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<td>Part 3: Site visits/excursions</td>
<td>$350</td>
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<td>Part 3: Food/Housing (3 months in Toulouse, 3 weeks in Angers)</td>
<td>Estimate $700 per month</td>
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<td>French Visa &amp; OFII Registration</td>
<td>$300</td>
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<td>Mandatory French Health Insurance</td>
<td>$364</td>
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<td>Round trip travel to France (based on East Coast departure)</td>
<td>$1,200</td>
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