

COURSE DETAIL

PARISIAN ARCHITECTURE

Country

France

Host Institution

Accent, Paris

Program(s)

Food, History, and Culture in Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Art History Architecture

UCEAP Course Number

102

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PARISIAN ARCHITECTURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

PARISIAN ARCHITECTR

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

The city of Paris is a constantly evolving structure, shaped by 2,000 years of history. Its urban layout and buildings reflect and stand on a substrate resulting from a balance between political, religious, social, demographic, heritage, and environmental aspects. This course provides an understanding of the city and its architecture during key periods through the analysis of notable buildings and neighborhoods. More specifically, it investigates constructions composed over a long period of time (on the scale of a building or site where different architectural styles coexist). Structures, materials, aesthetics, and ornamentation: the art of building reflects technical skill and thinking of an era. Thus, it is proposed to study this question of palimpsest architecture through a historical, cultural, and stylistic approach, through the transmission of essential urban and architectural vocabulary, as well as through bibliographical references. Furthermore, by focusing on strategic points in the city, this study connects to the history of architectural history and urban history, as well as themes that, beyond Paris, are linked to French and European history. Theoretical instruction is supplemented by field trips where students train their observation skills, making sketches that help them memorize and become familiar with architectures from ancient times to the present day.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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Host Institution Campus

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Course Last Reviewed

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