

KU GLOBAL CONNECTIONS: FRANCE

The University of Kansas has maintained academic partnerships in France since 1961. The following profile highlights KU research and teaching associated with France.

STUDENTS & VISITING SCHOLARS

KU enrolled **five students** from France in Spring 2015. **Seven French visiting scholars** conducted research at KU as well.

FACULTY ENGAGEMENT IN FRANCE

KU faculty teach and/or conduct research on France and collaborate with French researchers on a wide range of areas, some of which are highlighted below.

[Cécile Accilien](#), African and African-American Studies ▪ [Dave Besson](#), Physics and Astronomy ▪ [Shannon Blunt](#), Electrical Engineering and Computer Science ▪ [John Booker](#), French Literature ▪ [Gerald Carlson](#), Biochemistry and Molecular Biology ▪ [So-min Cheong](#), Geography ▪ [Vitaly Chernetsky](#), Slavic Languages and Literatures ▪ [Bernard Cornet](#), Microeconomics ▪ [Eric Deeds](#), Molecular Biosciences ▪ [Andrew Denning](#), Modern European History ▪ [Tamara Falicov](#), Film and Media Studies ▪ [Diane Fourny](#), Humanities & Western Civilization ▪ [Christopher Forth](#), History ▪ [Jessica Gerschultz](#), African and African-American Studies ▪ [Stephen Goddard](#), Art History ▪ [Maryemma Graham](#), English ▪ [Majid Hannoum](#), Sociocultural Anthropology ▪ [E. Bruce Hayes](#), French Literature and Culture ▪ [Anne Hedeman](#), Art History ▪ [Scott Hefty](#), Molecular Biosciences ▪ [Caroline Jewers](#), French Literature ▪ [Dennis Karney](#), Business ▪ [Marni Kessler](#), Art History ▪ [Van Kelly](#), Contemporary French and Francophone Studies ▪ [Kyoungchul Kong](#), Physics and Astronomy ▪ [Mechele Leon](#), Theatre ▪ [Adrian Lewis](#), History ▪ [Satya Mandal](#), Mathematics ▪ [Mario Medina](#), Civil Engineering ▪ [Allan Pasco](#), French Literature ▪ [Nicole Persley](#), Theatre ▪ [John Ralston](#), Physics & Astronomy ▪ [Michael Roberts](#), Clinical Child Psychology ▪ [Paul Scott](#), French literature, history, and science-fiction ▪ [Kimberly Swanson](#), French Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition ▪ [John Symons](#), Philosophy ▪ [Dale Urie](#), Humanities & Western Civilization ▪ [Tara Welch](#), Classics ▪ [Graham Wilson](#), Physics and Astronomy

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

KU students engage in comparative academic studies, receive practical training, and visit sites of academic and cultural relevance in France. More than **394 students** have participated in KU faculty-led programs during the past five years. In addition to the below programs, Study Abroad offers a variety of experiences in France.

[Language Institute in Paris](#) (Faculty-Led Summer Program)

[Design in Paris and London](#) (Faculty-led Summer Program)

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

The University of Kansas

The University of Kansas offers comprehensive and rigorous undergraduate and graduate programs in French. Coursework gives students valuable and useful linguistic tools, offers cultural training for students specializing in other fields, and prepares prospective language teachers in French. Graduates often work in international business, teaching, and art history, among other careers.

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Academic units conduct research on or collaborate with France

51

KU students studied abroad in France

115

KU students major or minor in French

Above data from 2014-2015

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[Université Catholique de l'Ouest](#) (Semester)

[Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne](#) (Semester or Academic Year)

[Architecture Internships in Paris](#) (Summer or Fall)

AGREEMENTS

Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture Paris Val-de-Seine (Architecture) ■ Groupe ESC Clermont (Business) ■ The University of Franche-Comte ■ Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne

Graduate Direct Exchange

The exchange provides KU and ESC Groupe Clermont students with opportunities to pursue non-degree graduate-level studies in their fields. An enrolled graduate student of KU may study at ESC during the academic year, while a French graduate student attends KU.

Since the exchange began in 1961, KU has sent 97 students to France, and 97 French students have studied at KU.

RESOURCES

[Jayhawks in France Facebook page](#)

[Department of French and Italian](#)

[L'Académie Française à l'Université du Kansas](#)

[European Studies Program](#)

[School of Languages, Literatures & Cultures](#)

[Center for Global & International Studies](#)

[International Programs](#) ■ [Office of Study Abroad](#)

[KU Global Awareness Program \(GAP\)](#) ■ [KU Global Scholars](#)

[International Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment](#)

[France World Factbook](#)



KU students see the Arc de Triomphe during their study abroad in France.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

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Professor Christophe Royon, a world leader in forward and diffractive physics at the French Atomic Energy Commission, will join KU as a Foundation Distinguished Professor in January.

Professor Royon's international reputation and expertise in particle and nuclear physics will enhance KU's already prominent reputation in this field.

By providing a better understanding of subatomic particles and their role in matter throughout the universe, Professor Royon's research helps advance numerous disciplines. For example, he is developing fast-timing detectors that will advance medical-imaging and defense applications, such as sensors for drone aircraft.

KU's Foundation Distinguished Professor initiative is a unique partnership between the university and the state of Kansas to attract eminent scholars.