The Psychology Department at UF offers students an opportunity to earn 3-4 credits in France.

**Course Offerings:**
Courses taught by UF Faculty - UF GPA 3-4 variable credits

- **PSY 4930 Special Topics “Exploring Psychology and Spirituality: Old and New Worlds”** (3 credits)
- **PSY 4905 Individual Work** (1 credit)

**Eligibility:** UF and non-UF Students
Minimum 2.50 GPA or higher
Open to all majors
Interview with the course instructor required
Submit written essay questions, one letter of recommendation, and a recent transcript.

**Fee includes:** Tuition for 3-4 credits, all housing, ground transportation, tour guide services in Paris and Dordogne areas, all meals while in residence at Taize and Plum Village, international health insurance and medical emergency assistance.

**Not included in the program fees:**
Round-trip airfare is not included. In addition, students are responsible for some meals, admission fees (churches, museums), UF local fees (approximately $16 per credit) and any additional personal travel and personal expenses.

**Application Deadline:**
March 15, 2012

**2012 Program fee: TBA**

**HIGHLIGHTS**
- Visit the labyrinth at the Chartres Cathedral.
- A week-in-residence at Taize, a Christian Ecumenical Community, well known for its music and outreach to young people
- A week-in-residence at Plum Village, a Buddhist monastery, well known for its teacher, the venerable Thich Nhat Hanh, where we will learn Mindfulness Meditation
- Touring in the Dordogne region in Southwest France
- Seven days in Paris

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Student Financial Aid: See your assigned financial aid advisor.
Psychology in FRANCE

This new course will explore the boundaries of psychology and spirituality by contrasting old and new worldviews. Highlights include visiting the Cathedral at Chartres which is famous for the labyrinth, a symbol for spiritual pilgrimage and personal transformation, visiting two intentional monastic communities for week-long immersion experiences—the Christian Ecumenical Community of Taize and the Buddhist community of Plum Village, and touring historic and sacred sites in the Dordogne region famous for the Caves at Lascaux II and the medieval pilgrimage site of Rocamadour. All classes and experiential learning will be conducted in English.

Financial Aid

University of Florida students needing financial aid should apply through UF Student Financial Affairs (SFA). Non-UF students needing financial aid must apply to their home institutions.

Housing

All housing costs are covered (hotels and staying in dormitories). All meals are covered while living in community.

Who should apply?  Students who have an interest in culturally diverse expressions of religion and spirituality and personal psychological growth are encouraged to apply. This course is a unique opportunity to experience living-in-community which focuses on following a spiritually-based life. Guest visitors at these monasteries come from all over Europe and there will be ample opportunities to relate across cultures. In addition, part of the course will focus on learning Mindfulness Meditation and its applications in psychology.

Academic Credits

As this is a UF program, credits taken can satisfy major, minor, and elective requirements with prior approval.

FEES DUE UPON APPLICATION:

A $250 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is required at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 30 days prior to departure.

Students receiving financial aid may defer payment until their financial aid disperses.

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Applications considered on space-available basis, so please apply early.

Please apply online at: www.abroad.ufic.ufl.edu

To request special assistance or accommodations, please contact 352-273-1539, or contact the Florida Relay System at 1-800-955-8771. Requests should be made up to 72 hours in advance.

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