



Angers, the capital of the Anjou region, has a population of about 270,000. A dynamic and youthful city, Angers has many student residents, thanks to its two universities.

With its impressive 13th-Century castle and numerous museums, Angers is of great historical and artistic interest. Originally located on the road to *Santiago de Compostela*, the city remains an important religious center.

Angers and its region offer a unique cuisine from the terroir using fresh products from the Loire valley. *Les Jardins de la France*, as the area is known, is famous for its vineyards, its flowers, and orchards as well as its vegetable gardens.

Theater lovers will appreciate the *Festival d'Anjou* held yearly during the month of July. Many of today's famous French movie stars participate in this festival.

Every weekend surrounding towns hold celebrations such as Brissac and its *Fête des vins d'Anjou et des Rillauds*, Doué-la-Fontaine and its renowned *Festival de la Rose*. Basically everyone should be able to find something to his or her liking.

Angers has been selected as one of the French cities with the highest quality of life.

Angers is located in the heart of the Loire castle country only an hour and a half from Paris by TGV and one hour from the city of Nantes and its surrounding beaches.

Due to its proximity to the ocean, Angers enjoys a temperate and pleasant climate.

Public transportation makes the city extremely accessible.



The institute is at the **Université Catholique d'Angers** in the heart of the city

THE INSTITUTE program is designed for those teachers of French:

- 1) Who need intensive training in understanding and speaking French even though not necessarily pursuing an MA in French; and
- 2) Who do not wish to see France as tourists, but who would like to live among the French people and make personal contacts with French families in a French community.

The priority of our program is to try to increase each individual's skills as much as possible in a congenial French atmosphere and to help the participants assemble first-hand information about France and its people in order to better meet the needs of their students.

Comments from past participants—

"I found this program to be a bargain. I gained experience in France, new colleagues, graduate credits, and I was able to travel in the region."

"I recommend the program highly. It met my needs perfectly for an immersion course in French language and culture. Merci!"

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June 23 through July 26, 2010

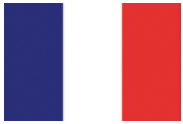


our 43rd year

**A five-week session in Angers
for six hours of graduate credit**



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Comments from past participants—

"I'm impressed with the quality of the program and the quality of the teaching staff. I'm also impressed with the seriousness of purpose that permeates the program and the willingness of participants to speak French exclusively."



"I learned things I had never studied before and reviewed others I hadn't mastered completely."

COST OF THE PROGRAM

The cost of the program is tentatively set at \$4,650, if signing up before January 15, 2010 (it is \$4,850 if signing up after that date). This includes tuition for 6 semester hours of graduate credit, room and board in Angers, and all program-sponsored entrance fees to museums or cultural programs. Final payment is due by April 15, 2010.

Participants can apply for federally-insured loans. The application process should begin at least four months prior to the program starting date.

For all of our former participants, the opportunity to live with a French family, to feel welcome in France from the outset, was an invaluable experience. They left France with a warm feeling for the French people and their hospitality and with a real sense of accomplishment in their ability to understand and speak French.

If you wish, we would be happy to send you a list of recent participants who have authorized us to release their names to potential participants.



View of the majestic Chateau d'Angers, which overlooks the city and the Maine River



Angers is 300 km southwest of Paris, and 90 km east of the Atlantic Ocean

ELIGIBILITY

- A Bachelor's degree or its equivalent
- Eligibility for admission to graduate studies at the University of Northern Iowa. Applicants for degree status are expected to have an undergraduate major or minor in French with a GPA of 3.0 or better.
- All students are required to fill out and sign a waiver and health insurance verification forms before they can be registered. The form will be given to registered participants before departure. The text can be viewed/downloaded at our website at <http://www.uni.edu/modlangs/french/StudyAbroadFrance.shtml>.



Comment from a past participant—

"Living en famille was a great experience, and I believe I now have a second family here in France."

The University of Northern Iowa is an inclusive academic community, hospitable to all. UNI is an equal opportunity educator and employer with a comprehensive plan for affirmative action.

STAFF

The faculty consists of French natives from the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) and the Centre International d'Études Françaises (CIDEF/UCO) trained in the teaching of French as a second language.

COURSES OFFERED (3 credit hrs each)

- Contemporary France*
- Phonetics*
- Translation*
- Oral Practice*
- Literary Movements*

EXCURSIONS

This year, we are planning to have two excursions if the budget allows. One will pertain to literature and will take place in the Loire Valley (Prieuré de St-Cosme, where Pierre de Ronsard lived, and Saché, where Honoré de Balzac resided). The second outing will take us to the Poitou Marsh (Marais Poitevin) and the famous city of La Rochelle.

Each year, about a half-dozen Modern Language students receive their MA from UNI. To accommodate them, we are giving our candidates the option of taking their comprehensive exams in Angers or on the UNI campus.

Note We hope this early announcement will give you enough time to study our program carefully, to get in touch with some former participants, and to review your personal plans in the coming months. We hope to see you in Angers.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION / APPLICATION (please complete and mail in this form or a photocopy of it; please print clearly or type)

To: **Dr. Anne Lair, Director**
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— Please send more information
— Please send application materials

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