After attending this orientation, you should:

• **KNOW** your resources

• **UNDERSTAND** your responsibilities

• **BE READY** to make the most of your time abroad
Things to think about before you go:

- Housing Application
- Course Registration
- Flight & Arrival
- Money & Budget Plan
- Phones
- Health & Wellness Resources
- Safety

After you arrive:

- Student Life & Academics Resources and Policies
- Mandatory Orientation
- How to use public transportation
- Where/how to get money
- Setting up phones
- Health & Wellness
- Safety
Pre-Departure Timeline

• October 13 – Courses available on Albert
• November 1 – Study Away Confirmation Portal
• November 13 – Course registration begins
• November 17 – Housing Application due in portal
• November 29 – Bursar billing date
• January 4 – Bills due to bursar
• January 22 – Arrival Date
What is NYU Paris?
The Academic Center is located in the 5th arrondissement, the Latin Quarter
Has classrooms, offices, a library, and student lounges
Staff provides a full range of student support services
Courses are taught by outstanding local and visiting scholars
Each semester, approximately 250 students attend NYU Paris
The student body is made up of upperclassmen from all three NYU degree-granting campuses, visiting students, and first year students
When do I have to be there?

- All students: January 22, by 2pm (arrive at housing by 4 pm)
  - Housing is only available for the dates of the program
  - If you arrive early or depart later than the program dates, you are responsible for your own accommodation and checking your immigration status

- Arrival Cheat Sheet – sent to your inbox
  - Make sure to print it!

- Required Student Orientation: January 23 – January 26

- Classes Start: January 29

- Student Departure: May 19 (by noon)

- Do not plan personal travel until you arrive in Paris!
Mandatory Student Orientation: January 23-26

Orientation will cover various topics to help get you acclimated to Paris and the program:

- Policies & Guidelines
- Practical Info and Health & Safety
- Cultural Activities
- Walking Tours
- Acquiring cell phones/metro passes
- Academic Orientation & Advising

Note: Do not mail items to NYU Paris ahead of time
• All students must live in NYU Paris housing

• Assignments are based on submissions to the Study Away Confirmation Portal and availability:
  • NYU Housing staff will place you in housing that matches your preferences as closely as possible. Keep in mind that we cannot guarantee that your preferences (type of housing or budget) will be matched perfectly. The housing pool is limited.
  • Housing estimate will be placed on your ebill. This is not your housing assignment, and will be adjusted after assignments are made.

• Housing assignments are sent to students’ NYU e-mail accounts approximately 2 weeks before check-in

• Housing is not provided before check-in or after check-out day

• Types of Housing May Include:
  • Residence Halls
  • Homestays
• **Course Load:** 12-18 credits
• French Language Course (for a grade)
• Content Courses
  • In English (Program I)
  • In French (Program II)
    • Program II Exceptions: Students in Program II needing to take a course in English for a major or minor requirement can request to do so
  • Taking Conversation & Composition in Paris- you are eligible to take one content course taught in French

• You CANNOT miss class for travel or visits. Do NOT schedule any trips until you arrive and get your syllabi

Academic Questions: nyu.paris.academics@nyu.edu
ALL students must take a French Language course for a grade.

If you have NO French Language Background: Intensive Elementary French.

If you have taken French at NYU, enroll in the next level.

If you have AP/IB/SAT II scores, look at the French Department’s website: http://french.as.nyu.edu/object/language.placement

Some language background, but unsure of level: take the Online Placement Exam: http://www.nyu.edu/cas/flipexam/

Exemption: native or near-native fluency may submit petition in French to nyu.paris.academics@nyu.edu,
You MUST administratively enroll with the University of Paris

- List your UP campus preference in OGS Student Information Form (I, III, or VII) sent to you by OGS and also available on blog.
- Based on your preference, enrollment instructions will be sent to your NYU email by NYU Paris Academics team.
- You MUST follow these directions to complete your enrollment by May 15 (Paris I also has secondary deadline on June 15).

Students may take courses at a French partner university in either English or French. *You are not required to do so*

- You may only take courses at the campus at which you are administratively enrolled
- UP course offerings shared during UP Orientation after arrival
- Review past courses on NYU Paris Fall 2017 academics website
- For now, sign-up for full load of NYU Paris courses

Don’t be afraid to challenge yourself!
Getting Involved & Meeting People

• Lectures & Events
• Internships (if eligible)
• Volunteering & Community Service
• Student Life Activities
• Clubs
  • 57 Insolite (NYU Paris Newspaper)
  • Political Debate Club
  • Choir
  • Yoga
• University of Paris Activities- take advantage of the day trips, cooking lessons, theatre, sports events, etc
• CIUP (Cité Universitaire Activities)
• Homestay
• Local Associations & Clubs
• If you take prescriptions regularly, bring a full supply **DO NOT SHIP ANY MEDICATIONS**

• Arrange ongoing medical treatment before you leave, speak with the NYU Paris Wellness Coordinator, Dr. Cynthia Mitchell (cynthia.mitchell@nyu.edu)

• Arrange ongoing counseling in advance through the Wellness Exchange (212-443-9999, wellness.exchange@nyu.edu) or with Dr. Cynthia Mitchell

• All students are enrolled in GeoBlue, an international health coverage plan

• Do not cancel your domestic health insurance

• NYU Paris and NYU New York have 24/7 response through an emergency phone
• Students with accommodation needs--academic or otherwise--must contact the Moses Center prior to departure; resources and services may differ abroad www.nyu.edu/osl/csd

• Students with disabilities that affect courses or housing and require special arrangements should also inform staff
• Skype/Facetime/Google Hangout
  • Great for talking with parents... they get to see your face
• Having a working phone in Paris is Mandatory
  • Purchase a local Cell Phone
  • Unlock Smart Phone before leaving & get a local SIM Card
• WhatsApp, Magic Jack, etc.
• Create a realistic Communication Plan
  • Are you going to talk daily, weekly, or say see you next semester?
• Why?
  • Facebook, skype, gchat and texting are part of your everyday lives and often interfere with students’ ability to focus on settling into their days in Paris.
  • Managing the time differences and feeling responsible for maintaining daily contact with those you care about at home can begin to erode a healthy sleep pattern and, eventually, your ability to focus on academics.
  • Home will be here when you get back!
Most students use their credit and debit cards – exchange rates are favorable, but contact your bank about fees
  • Let your bank know you are traveling!
  • There are daily & weekly withdrawal limits

Figure out how much money you will have
  • Working abroad may not be an option
  • How much can you save before going?

Take advantage of NYU Paris trips & excursions!

Consider ALL of your expenses
  • Airfare, food, toiletries, medicine, laundry, semester break trips, etc.
  • Up front costs: Metro pass – 67 euro

Be aware of the exchange rate and fees for currency conversion (www.xe.com)
• Choose times when you are SURE you don’t have academic obligations- you CANNOT miss class for travel or guests (hint: you won’t know your final schedule until after arrival)

• Do research
  • Ask staff & friends

• Register with NYU Traveler

• Get to know your city and country.

• Balance- take advantage of the opportunity to travel, but take advantage of the extraordinary chance to know another city and country.
Resources

• Visa Questions: OGS.outbound@nyu.edu

• Registration Questions: Global.Academics@nyu.edu

• Other Questions: nyuparissiterep@nyu.edu
Have a great semester at NYU Paris!