Lyon, France Agroecology International Summer School
IAP Academic Notes

Please refer to your IAP Study Abroad Handbook for a complete list of UW policies. These academic notes supply additional information specific to your program.

The Academic Program
To reach the goal of developing sustainable agriculture, also questions around the valorization of biodiversity has become a major stake. ISARA-Lyon has got involved in research programs aiming to analyze these factors in taking into account different scales for agroecosystems analyses. This includes looking at cropping systems, livestock systems and extensive fish production systems in cultural landscapes, as elements interacting with natural components of ecosystems. Our summer school will provide the keys to understand how biodiversity in agricultural landscapes can be supported in European environments made up of natural landscapes and human activities. First, the coursework puts special emphasis on case studies and field work. Then, personal investigation and lectures provide the necessary theoretical approaches and methods for agroecosystem diagnosis, by taking into account all the diverse components: ecological diagnosis, spatial analysis, cropping and livestock systems analyses, the economics and sociology of agroecological farming.

Courses and Registration
All participants will be enrolled in the Agroecology and Sustainable Agriculture summer program.

IAP will register you for a special “Study Abroad Course” for the term(s) you will be studying abroad; therefore, it is not necessary for you to register on the UW-Madison campus. This is a temporary registration, which will be converted into graded UW-Madison credit after the completion of your program.

Limits and Load
Students are expected to enroll in a full-time academic program. The requirement on this program is 9 ECTS credits.

Course Equivalent Request
The five week academic program will be assigned one UW-Madison course equivalent. All participants on this program will receive Agroecology 400: Study Abroad in Agroecology for completion of the academic program.

Credits
9 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits will be awarded to you for passing your courses on the ESA summer academic program.

These credits will be converted to UW-Madison credits using the following conversion scale:

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Grades and Grade Conversions
You will receive a transcript from ESA with French grades. The scale will be used to convert your grades to UW-Madison equivalents will be available soon.

Pass/Fail/Drop/Audit
Please refer to the IAP Study Abroad Handbook for academic policies.