

**THE HONORS COLLEGE AT UMBC
2008 STUDY TRAVEL PROGRAM**

FRANCE

Normandy, Brittany and Paris

May 23-June 7, 2008

The Honors College at UMBC is pleased to announce its 2008 Study Travel Program to France. Our visit begins with Monet's house and garden in Giverny and time in Rouen, where we will see its cathedral made famous by Monet. We will then go to Caen, via visits to Honfleur and Deauville. We will spend five nights in Caen with day trips to the D-day beaches of Normandy, Bayeux and the famous tapestry and Lisieux, as well as explorations into the countryside to see cheese and cider being made. A tour of the Abbaye Mont St. Michel will be a highlight of our trip as we travel to Brittany. We will spend a few nights in Quimper where we can experience the unique culture of the region. We will then drive to Paris, with a tour of Chartres Cathedral on the way. We will have three nights to enjoy Paris.

The program is open to students, alumni, parents, faculty, staff and friends of UMBC. There is an application process, and priority will be given to UMBC Honors College students taking the trip for credit. The program is available for three credits as HONR 300E for spring 2008. There will be an additional payment for tuition for non-UMBC students taking the class for credit; tuition charges are dependent upon the residency of the student. Students taking the class for credit will attend lectures, have an assigned reading list, keep a journal and write a reflection paper after the trip. Applications are available in the Honors College office, room 216 Library or at www.umbc.edu/honors.

The program cost is \$3,925, which is based on double-occupancy and includes air fare, lodging, continental breakfasts, land transportation, all entrance fees to sites in the itinerary, guides, tips, taxes, service charges, portage and the series of lectures prior to departure. A single supplement is available for \$1100. The price is based on a group of twenty-five participants. The airlines may impose a fuel surcharge at the time of the trip which would be an additional cost.

The trip leaders, Anna Shields, Ph.D. and Maureen McCormick, are experienced travelers and trip leaders who have spent considerable time in France. Previous Honors College trips have visited Ireland, Spain, Portugal, Greece and Turkey, Italy, Southern France and other exciting places.

Applications should be submitted with a deposit of \$500 per person in the form of a check or money order payable to UMBC. Applications should be mailed to The Honors College, UMBC, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, MD 21250 or delivered in person to the Honors College office, room 216, Albin O. Kuhn Library and Gallery. The deposit is fully refundable, less \$50 per person, until January 31, 2008 when an additional payment of at least \$1500 will be due and at which time all payments become non-refundable. The final payment will be due no later than March 3, 2008. Participants are urged to purchase trip insurance at the time the deposit or first payment is made.

Lectures, open to all participants and required for students registered for HONR 300E, will be held on several Monday evenings in the spring semester; specific dates will be announced at a later date.

One of the Honors College students who traveled to France on our study travel program says:

"I am currently working on a triple major in physics, philosophy and math at UMBC, with the eventual goal of earning a Ph.D. in physics. While these fields of study are interesting, they do not usually lead into the study of other cultures...(the trip) enabled me to participate in a hand-on study of culture and history in a foreign country, an experience which helped broaden my horizons and spark new interests."

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Application

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

School Address: _____

Telephone Numbers: Home: _____ School: _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a member of the UMBC Honors College: Yes

Are you a student at UMBC: Yes

Are you a student at another college: Yes

Major: _____ Year: _____

School: _____

Major: _____ Year: _____

Do you intend to take HONR 300E, spring 2008 for credit? Yes No

Are you affiliated with UMBC as a:

Parent Student's Name _____

Alumnus Year/Major _____

Faculty/Staff

Friend

Do you want single accommodations on the trip: Yes

Please note the name of any roommate preference for the trip: _____

Do you have any health issues or special needs we should be aware of? Yes (please explain) No

Have you traveled internationally before? Yes No

Have you participated in group travel before? Yes No

If you are a student intending to take the HONR 300E class, please explain, on a separate sheet, how this program will enhance your educational experience.

**Return this application, with a \$500 deposit (in the form of a check or money order made out to UMBC) to:
The Honors College, UMBC, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, MD 21250**