The University of Michigan Law School has developed a fall semester study abroad opportunity with the University of Paris II for up to 2 students in the fall term. Interested students must comply with the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad available at the Center for International and Comparative Law, 300D Legal Research, or on the Law School web site at: http://www.law.umich.edu/curriculum/studyabroad/Pages/default.aspx. Please consult the General Guidelines along with this document. They contain additional important information, including how to apply. Students must be fluent in French.

**Course Offerings and Requirements**

In addition to a 3-credit research paper under the supervision of a Michigan faculty member, students who attend the University of Paris II will be required to take four courses and one to two travaux diriges at the University of Paris II, depending on course selection. One of the four courses is mandatory and will be taught by Professor Bernard Audit, the faculty advisor of the program. This course serves as an Introduction to the French Legal Institutions and is exclusively for US and Canadian exchange students. Other classes are made up largely of French students. Two recommended courses are Obligations (Contracts) and EC Institutions. A list of most recent course offerings is available in hard copy in the Center for International and Comparative Law.

In addition to the course requirements at the University of Paris II, students will be responsible for fulfilling all the requirements for the transfer of credit described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad (available at the Center for International and Comparative Law, Room 300D Legal Research.)

A student’s course selection at Paris II must be approved by the University of Michigan Law School prior to the student’s departure for Paris. Any subsequent requested changes must be approved in advance by Assistant Dean Virginia Gordan (vgordan@umich.edu; TEL: 734-764-5269). The acceptance of any credit or grade for any course taken at Paris II is subject to determination by the University of Michigan Law School.

**Tuition**

The tuition and fee charges at the University of Paris II are waived for students who participate in this exchange program. Students must pay full tuition and fees to the University of Michigan Law School as described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad.

Please note that the tuition structure and amount are subject to change at any time.
**Dates of Term**

The fall term classes at the University of Paris II run from the first Monday of October (or last Monday of September) through mid-January. Special arrangements are made for Michigan students to take exams right before the holidays in December, so they will return in time for holidays and their second term at Michigan. However, the student is expected to engage in full time study beginning the day after Labor Day; usually the month of September is devoted to the student’s research paper. Students should consult with the Center for International and Comparative Law for exact program dates.

**Housing**

Students are responsible for finding accommodation and should plan to arrive in Paris prior to the beginning of the term to organize housing arrangements. Students are advised to consult the Student Study Abroad Reports (available in the Center for International & Comparative Law) to see how past students have secured housing in Paris. There is also a handout entitled, “Adresses de Foyers et Residences Universitaires” in the Center for International & Comparative Law. Students may also consult with the administration of the International Exchange Office (e-mail: simone.flechon@u-paris2.fr; tel: 33-1-44-41-56-17 ; fax : 33-1-44-41-56-86 (fax). The administration and University of Paris II may be able to provide assistance in finding accommodation, but please know that it is definitely not always possible.

**Paris II Applicants**

Proposals submitted to the Global Affairs Committee to study abroad at Paris II pursuant to the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad, will also be sent on to Paris II for evaluation. Paris II reserves the right of final approval of Michigan applicants.

**French Proficiency Test**

Students will be required to take two French proficiency tests at the time they submit their proposal to the Global Affairs Committee. One test will most likely be a written examination, which is created and evaluated by the faculty at the University of Paris II. This test will be administered through the Center for International and Comparative Law. The other test will be administered by the Residential College’s Romance Language Program at the University of Michigan. This test will most likely evaluate oral skills, reading comprehension, and writing.

**Contacts**

The Paris II faculty member in charge of the program is Professor Bernard Audit. He may be contacted at baudit@noos.fr (e-mail), 33-1-44-41-56-17 (phone), 33-1-44-41-56-86 (fax). The administrative contact information is: Université Panthéon-Assas Paris II, Service de l'action internationale, Bureau des programmes d'échange, simone.flechon@u-paris2.fr (e-mail), 33-1-44-41-56-17 (phone), 33-1-44-41-56-86 (fax).
For Further Information about the University of Paris II

Students are strongly encouraged to read the Student Study Abroad Reports available at http://www.law.umich.edu/curriculum/studyabroad/Pages/default.aspx. The reports contain invaluable information about courses, professors, library, computers, housing and so on. They identify the pluses and minuses of the students’ study abroad experiences and what aspects they enjoyed and what they found problematic while studying at Paris II.

Information about the University of Paris II is available on its website http://www.u-paris2.fr. You may find the Paris II de A à Z (guide de l’étudiant) brochure at:


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