

**Global Business Center**  
**MBA Direct Exchange Opportunities**

**FRANCE – Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris**

<http://www.escp-eap.eu/campus/paris>

**Overview:**

ESCP is an influential player in the academic and economic landscape of France. The Paris campus is steeped in nearly two hundred years of history, shaped by the innovativeness of its founders, Vital-Roux and Jean-Baptiste Say. In addition to its substantial business volume, it is one of the major *Grandes Ecoles* in the country, a significant actor in French higher education. ESCP is at the hub of alliances with celebrated universities and schools in a wide range of disciplines. It also has a formidable network of ties with major corporations and key business leaders in France; ESCP is actively involved in the policy debate of social and economic issues and questions of equal opportunity. ESCP is located in the center of the 11<sup>th</sup> arrondissement of Paris.

**Terms & dates:**

Summer\*: 6-week summer session starts in early June

\*Summer session may overlap with UW MBA core in some years. Check all dates before applying.

Fall: semester runs mid-Sept through mid-Dec

Winter: semester does not align with UW calendar

**Academics:**

Summer: Students take 3 courses. The offerings change annually.

Fall: Exchange students attend graduate courses from the Master in Management program (Grande Ecole). ESCP sends detailed course info to fall exchange students in the summer prior to the program start date. There are over 140 elective courses which allow you choice and flexibility in your curriculum. A judicious choice will enable you to clarify and test your career goals.

ESCP follows the “European Credit Transfer System”. Credit equivalencies are as shown:

13 ECTS = 10 UW credits

16 ECTS = 12 UW credits

19 ECTS = 14 UW credits

21 ECTS = 16 UW credits

### Housing:

- 200 rooms are available in student housing (“Résidence Vivaldi”), and ESCP provides a list of other student residences in Paris
- A file of offers for rent from private owners is maintained on the student intranet. Students may commute up to 40 minutes by métro.
- Students can also apply for accommodation at the Cité Universitaire Internationale : [www.ciup.fr](http://www.ciup.fr)
- French government aid (“Aide au logement étudiant”) is available for all students paying for accommodation in France, regardless of nationality. Aide typically amounts to 30-40% of rent. Information and online application on [www.caf.fr](http://www.caf.fr) (website is in French).

### Career Services:

Career office access

Internships

Recruiting fairs

ESCP allows exchange students to do a part time internship under the condition that the internship takes place while they are enrolled in the school for their exchange programme and before the end of the academic year. Consult with the ESCP exchange advisor for details.

### Exchange Office Services:

All exchange partners offer course registration assistance, transcripts, orientations, and paperwork necessary to obtain a student visa. ESCP organizes social activities for students throughout the academic year. Mandatory orientations are held for in-bound students in the fall. ESCP will provide details to accepted students.

A student visa called “visa de long séjour temporaire pour études” is required for stays in the EU exceeding 90 days. Stays shorter than 90 days do not require a visa. Visa info: <http://usa.campusfrance.org>. Proof of adequate health insurance is required of all students.

### Intro language:

Introductory French classes are available during all terms. Additional fees may apply. Language classes do not count toward UW MBA elective credits.

### Additional information:

U.S. Dept of State France Information Page <http://www.state.gov/p/eur/ci/fr>