GENERATION 250

AN INNOVATIVE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO BUILD NEW BRIDGES BETWEEN FRANCE AND THE U.S.

In 2026, to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America, the U.S. Embassy in France will launch GENERATION250. This new program will award 250 scholarships to underrepresented French students, to study in the U.S. for 1 semester and strengthen Franco-American ties.

CALENDAR

2024-2025

Meetings with U.S. and French universities to identify host institutions & promote the new program

Late 2024

MOUs are reviewed and signed

September to December 2025

Application and selection process

→ 250 French students selected

January 2026

Students get assigned to their U.S. campuses

Spring 2026

Visa processes

Fall 2026 and Spring 2027

250 French students join U.S. campuses!

WHO?

- > 250 undergraduate French students, from all over France
- Underrepresented students, from all fields of study and programs, studying on a U.S. campus for 1 semester (Fall 2026 or Spring 2027)

HOW?

- Colleges, universities and community colleges across the U.S. welcome these 250 French students in an undergraduate program, as fee-paying, visiting international students
- The **GENERATION250** scholarship **covers tuition fees**, round-trip airfare, room & board and other expenses the 250 French students may occur during their semester
- No financial participation is expected from U.S. institutions
- The 250 French students will be **meticulously selected** based on academic achievement, English language level, motivation and a **final interview** with our GENERATION250 jury

WHY GET INVOLVED?

- → **PROMOTE** studies in the U.S.
- → INTERNATIONALIZE your campus by welcoming French students who bring diversity, a new culture and language to your institution
- → CREATE economic growth through new partnerships with French institutions
- → SHOWCASE the best of the U.S. and proudly SHARE the culture of your country and state
- → FOSTER friendship between U.S., French and international students
- → EMPOWER the next generation of leaders from the U.S. & France
- \rightarrow FILL a gap, as only 5,6% of French students abroad study in the U.S. and 7 low-income students out of 10 can't study abroad

ADMINISTRATIVE & LEGAL FRAMEWORK

- A memorandum of understanding (MOU) will be signed between MICEFA, the French and U.S. institutions, to lay the foundations for cooperation
- Courses chosen by the student in the U.S. will be validated by the home institution through the signature of a **learning agreement**
- All students must **meet the admission requirements** of the host institution
- \cdot Students must pass their exams and return to France with the required number of credits set by their home university







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GENERATION250
host institution



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