France Study Abroad

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Paris



Our first night in Paris!



Eiffel Tower



The Louvre Museum

Aix-en-Provence



Neon party with french students!



Lunch in Park Jourdan

Arts et Metiers gala



Dorm cat!

Cannes





Cannes beach



Cannes film festival red carpet!



Switzerland



Paragliding 2200 ft in the air!





Excursions



Verdon Gorges

Mont St. Michel





Colonques

Reflection

The tours and excursions we took part in as a program helped me learn about the wonders of France and the history behind it all, while also allowing me to meet and learn more about my aggie peers. This program has created many strong bonds between me and my new friends that I value greatly and will be able to carry on back in the U.S. as well.

Along with the tourist attractions and group activities, my friends and I also did many things on our own that were less "touristy," where we spent some time doing things the locals do, and even made friends and spent time with some french students. These little things were highly impactful to me because this is when I felt truly submerged into the culture. Having the privilege of learning and embracing french culture has opened my eyes to new perspectives, cultural similarities and differences, and has helped me become more adaptable which is a skill that will greatly help me in the future.

The things I personally enjoyed the most throughout the trip was going to local restaurants, parks, beaches, and city centers. I also loved spending time with the Arts et Metiers students and taking part in their school traditions and functions.