Cancellation, Withdrawal, and Refund Policy

Student Withdrawals
Once a student is accepted into the Summer in France Program, Summer in France deposits are refunded only in cases of bonafide medical withdrawal, or student withdrawal/suspension from the University, any of which must occur and be documented, including a written request for return of the funds, prior to the Summer in France departure date. In the case of bonafide medical withdrawal, the student must also submit to the Program Director, prior to departure date, a physician’s statement of reasons why the student cannot/should not undertake the trip. In all cases, any refund may be reduced to the extent the University itself is unable to obtain a refund or where a penalty or extra charge is imposed for a cancellation or change.

Should a student withdraw while a Seminar is in progress, he/she will forfeit the deposit and all non-recoverable fees and will also be responsible for any additional fees that result from the withdrawal (such as additional airfare).

Drake University must make an irrevocable commitment on housing each year. For this reason, any student who withdraws from the program after March 15 will remain obligated in full for the housing non-refundable costs incurred by Drake University.

Program Cancellation
This program may be cancelled in the following circumstances:

1) Fewer than 15 students enrolled in the program;
2) Issuance of a U.S. State Department Travel Warning or Alert covering France and/or surrounding countries;
3) Other compelling circumstances, which will be identified by Drake University Law School.

If the program is cancelled after a student makes a deposit for any of the reasons cited in this paragraph, Drake University Law School will make best efforts to make arrangements for each student enrolled to attend a similar program if the student so desires. In the event of program cancellation, all monies including the $250 deposit will be returned to the student.

Changes to course offerings or other significant aspects of the program
If changes are made to the course offerings or other significant aspects of this program, these changes will be communicated promptly to any registrant who has paid a deposit or registered for the program, and the registrant will have ten days from the date of the notification to send a written request for withdrawal.

If the registrant withdraws under this section prior to commencement of the program the registrant will receive a full refund of all monies advanced within twenty (20) days after the withdrawal. If the registrant withdraws under this section during the program the registrant will receive a refund of fees paid except for room and board payments utilized prior to the date of termination or withdrawal.

State Department Travel Warnings and Alerts
If, prior to the commencement of the program, a U.S. State Department Travel Warning or Alert covering the program dates and the country of France is issued, all registrants will be notified promptly and given an opportunity to withdraw from the program. If the registrant withdraws under this section
prior to commencement of the program the registrant will receive a full refund of all monies advanced within twenty (20) days after the withdrawal.

If, during the course of the program, a U.S. State Department Travel Warning or Alert covering the program dates and the country of France is issued, students will be notified promptly and given an opportunity to withdraw from the program. If the student withdraws under this section during the program the registrant will receive a refund of fees paid except for room and board payments utilized prior to the date of termination or withdrawal.