Summer Session



French fragrance summer session

A week in Paris or Grasse to discover the art of perfume.

This unique experience — combining science, art, and culture — is open to anyone wishing to approach perfume differently, with curiosity, sensitivity and creativity

Duration:

1 week in person : 30 hours over 5 days

Program Overview

Go behind the scenes of perfumery during this immersive five-day program of olfactory workshops, cultural discoveries and creative explorations.
The French Fragrance Summer Session invites you to discover the many facets of perfume: its history, its raw materials, its language and its techniques.
A rare immersion into the heart of perfume, in an accessible and deeply inspiring format, at the crossroads of science, art and emotion.

Academic recognition

At the end of the program, a certificate of participation in the Summer School is issued to participants who have attended all courses.

Learning Objectives

- Understand the fundamentals of perfumery, from history to contemporary practices
- Develop your olfactory skills and sensory awareness
- Identify key fragrance families and raw materials
- Create your own perfume accords through hands-on experimentation
- Discover the creative process behind fragrance design
- Express and present a fragrance concept with confidence

Practical information

Dates : Paris : 6 — 10 July 2026
Grasse : 14 to 19 June 2026
Duration : 5 days
Languages : English
Tuition fee : 2300 €
Group basis : 14 students per group
Prerequisites : This program is open to university-level students and recent graduates over 18 years old from any academic background who have an interest in fashion, perfume and jewellery. No previous experience or knowledge is required.
Intermediate English required.

Applications are now open.

Apply online: Grasse →

Apply online: Paris →

Training Locations

Iconic and creative Paris neighborhoods, Terrace with a view of the Eiffel Tower.
Pays de Grasse, the historic cradle of perfumery — a perfect time of year to experience its blooming flower and lavender fields.

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Detailed program

Day 1

- Discover the key players in the industry and the stages of creation.
- Travel through the history of perfume and its major cultural turning points
- Olfaction - Familiarize yourself with the major olfactory families and their iconic fragrances

Day 2

- Olfaction - Develop your sense of smell and olfactory vocabulary
- Creating a fragrance accord

Day 3

- Learn to recognize key ingredients, both natural and synthetic
- Creating a fragrance accord

Day 4

- Olfaction - Explore the superpowers of the sense of smell
- Creating a fragrance accord

Day 5

- Perfume formulation
- Introducing its fragrance with its sensory experience

Teaching & Technical Resources
Hosted by a professional perfumer
Raw materials provided for practical sessions
Access to laboratories during hands-on activities
Training sessions held in equipped classrooms (computer and projector available)