The Department of Romance Languages and Literatures sponsors the study group to Dijon, France. The curriculum includes advanced courses in literature, language, and civilization.

Participants in the Dijon study group register for a pre-established group of three courses, including an advanced-level stylistics course (FREN 401), a French civilization course (FREN 440) and a literature, theater or cinema course, that will be chosen by the director each year, based on his or her area of interest and expertise. In addition, students may select as a fourth course, FREN 469, which is a French literature course taken at the University of Burgundy or a teaching experience (FREN 292) where students work as teaching assistants in English at a lycée or collège (junior high school). Arrangements may also be made to choose from a wide selection of humanities courses offered at the University of Burgundy. The latter option requires pre-approval by the study group director and the Colgate registrar’s office. In all cases, students will be expected to take four courses. Students may not take a fifth course for credit, but may audit courses at the University of Burgundy, with the approval of the study group director and the director of off-campus study.

At Colgate, participants will be pre-registered for courses by the registrar’s office staff, prior to departure. Any student choosing to take a course other than FREN 469 at the University of Burgundy, must discuss the course with the study group director in advance, and notify the registrar’s office of their intention. The director, in conjunction with the registrar’s office and the department of romance languages, will determine the appropriate registration for the student. If any course changes are made after registrations have been processed, it is the responsibility of the student to notify the registrar’s office of these changes.

The teaching experience (FREN 292) is taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory (S/U) basis, but it is expected that all other courses will be taken for a traditional letter grade. Exceptions must be pre-approved by the study group director, the director of off-campus study and the associate dean of faculty.

*FREN 401 may count toward a concentration in French, but does not fulfill a specific “category” requirement.
*No more than two courses taken on the study group may count toward a French concentration.