The Hmong Diaspora (France) Field School is a research-based program focused on a community of Hmong refugees from Southeast Asia living in Aubigny-sur-Nère, France. France is home to thousands of Hmong refugees who resettled there in the aftermath of the Second Indochinese war, which ended in 1975. The research in the program will center on Hmong culture in this French community where Hmong resettled several decades ago. Students will receive mentored training in ethnographic research (including a broad array of social science methods) and use these skills to conduct fieldwork on various topics. This program is based in the Department of Anthropology but is relevant to a wide variety of research interests including art, Asian studies, French studies, folklore, history, law, linguistics, music, philosophy, political science, psychology, religious studies, and sociology. Please visit http://jacobrhickman.com/field.html for more information.

DATES
24 May–8 August 2016

HOUSING
Students will live with local host families in the community where we will be conducting research. This will facilitate the experience of cultural immersion and also provide students with a local contact base to help them conduct their fieldwork.

COURSES
Students will be registered for 12 credit hours during the Spring/Summer program. Typical enrollment includes:
ANTHR 390R Anthropology of Immigration and Resettlement (3 credit hours)
ANTHR 495R Ethnographic Field Project (6 credit hours)
ANTHR 439: Psychological Anthropology (3 credit hours)
Alternative course options may be considered with the program director.

COST
$6,500–7,300
Includes LDS, undergraduate full Spring/Summer tuition (increased tuition cost for grads and non-LDS), lodging plus two meals a day with host family, local research assistants/translators to assist students with research, limited group travel during the program, and international health insurance coverage.

Not Included: Airfare (typically $1,000–2,000) passport, vaccinations ($100–200), lunches, personal expenses, personal travel, or additional research expenses not covered by the program.

**PREPARATION**
An introductory Hmong language and culture course (3 credits) will be required for the program in order to train students in basic communicative competence for their projects during the summer. Students are also required to participate in an international, cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201, 1 credit hour). This evening course will be held during the winter semester 2016. Part-time and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional $270 tuition fee for enrolling in the prep class.

All anthropology students must have taken ANTHR 442, and all other students are strongly encouraged to take this course as well in order to develop their research proposal and learn principles of social research for the program.

It is also strongly recommended that all students take ANTHR 101 (which fulfills the university core Global & Cultural Awareness requirement and Social Science requirement) prior to the program.

**FUNDING SOURCES**
Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs.

Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will be considered for a study abroad scholarship and may be considered for other scholarships. They must indicate on their original online application that they want to be considered for financial aid.

Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants.
Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

The director will also be applying for various sources of funding for this program. In the event that some of these sources are awarded, eligible students may apply for such funding based on both merit and demonstrated need.

**APPLICATION PROCESS**
Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/apply
The application requires a $35 fee
Applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete
Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program
Priority Deadline: 15 December 2015

**FACULTY**
Jacob R. Hickman is the Faculty Director of the program. Dr. Hickman teaches courses in the Department of Anthropology and has conducted research in Hmong communities in Thailand, the United States, and throughout the global Hmong diaspora for over a decade. He has directed previous field school programs in Thailand, Vietnam and China.

**SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT**
Students must plan to be in France for the complete duration of the program from the first day of the program in May until the last day of the program in August and refrain from scheduling late arrivals or early departures.

**INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT**
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**PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS**
ISP reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost estimates due to conditions beyond its control.