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## **WINTER COURSE 2020**

4 1/2 week programme: Arrival-Wednesday 8th January 2020, Departure-Saturday 8th February 2020

5 <sup>1/2</sup> week programme: Arrival- Wednesday 8th January 2020, Departure-Saturday 15th February 2020 (includes Excursion Week)

6 ½ week programme: Arrival- Wednesday 8th January 2020, Departure- Saturday 22nd February 2020 (includes Excursion Week and Ski Week)



Raffaella from Peru, who joined Winter Course says,

"I had the opportunity to go to Brillantmont. To be honest, at first I wasn't sure if I really wanted to go; I was going completely alone, I didn't know anyone there, but I knew that I would become more independent. When I got to Brillantmont, I was really nervous. I thought I wasn't going to make friends or have fun, but it was completely the opposite. I met a lot of people and became really close friends with some. I'm still in contact with them. I improved my English and French. I learned to be more interactive with people and learned about other cultures. I had a lot of fun and it was an amazing experience. I'm really grateful that I had the chance to stay there, and I wouldn't hesitate to return."

## The programme

The Winter Course at <u>Brillantmont International School</u> in <u>Lausanne</u> is the ideal place to spend a period abroad, following High School classes, including learning or improving French and joining excursions and ski trips in the beautiful <u>Lake Geneva region</u>. A week long excursion programme enables students to discover the local region, through French.

Winter Course students live on the Brillantmont campus, which is in the heart of Lausanne, a dynamic, lively city, well known for being the Olympic Capital. Lausanne is on the lakeside, overlooking the Alps and has many cinemas, excellent sports facilities, theatres, shops and cafes, which appeal to the students. The Brillantmont campus is a five minute walk from the city centre, in a leafy suburb. During the school year beautiful buildings are home to around 130 students from over 35 different nationalities.

The Winter Course students live and study alongside those school year students, making friendships which last a lifetime. At all times the student's safety and security are paramount and Brillantmont's teaching and boarding staff ensure that everyone feels happy and settled in the Brillantmont family.

The Winter Course begins on Wednesday 8th January 2020 and lasts for 4 1/2, 5 1/2 or 6 1/2 weeks.

A regular High School programme, based on the current grade and interests of the student (usually 4 periods per subject per week)	<ul> <li>French         (The Winter Course students are encouraged to use French around the school and in the local community. During the excursion week, all excursions are conducted in French).</li> <li>Classes taught in English</li> <li>English</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>A Social Science / Humanities course</li> <li>A Science course</li> <li>Option of an additional language course</li> </ul>
4 periods of sport per week	Sports may include: trampoline, volleyball, badminton, unihockey, gym circuits, basketball, swimming, ice skating, running
Ski or snowboarding excursions (on Sundays) and / or additional excursions that are offered during that period (example, cinema, theatre, events)	Lessons are given by professional ski teachers from the Swiss Ski School. A different ski resort is chosen each Sunday, depending on snow conditions. In the event of adverse weather conditions, an alternative excursion will be organised.
Excursion week	Students enjoy a series of day trips in the region, to discover Swiss traditions and culture. These trips are prepared in the French class beforehand, accompanied by the French teacher and provide valuable opportunities to practise the French language.
Ski week	Students enjoy a whole week of skiing in the beautiful, family resort of Zinal with over 120km of slopes. They ski every day with teachers from the Swiss Ski School and have a varied activity programme.

## WINTER COURSE 2020: FEES

Admission Deposit : CHF 1'000	The admission deposit confirms the student's place on the Winter Course.  It is used to cover any additional costs such as personal expenses and any extra activities / excursions which are not included in the programme. A financial statement details this expenditure and any remaining balance is refunded at the end of the student's stay.  In case of cancellation, the Admission Deposit will not be refunded.
Fees for a 4 <sup>1/2</sup> week stay: CHF 9'450	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January to Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Fees for a 5 <sup>1/2</sup> week stay: CHF 11'650	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January to Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 (including excursion week)
Fees for a 6 <sup>1/2</sup> week stay: CHF 13'650	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January to Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2020 (including ski week)
The above prices include :	<ul> <li>Accommodation and full board</li> <li>Academic and sports classes</li> <li>Ski excursions (including the lessons given by the</li> <li>Swiss ski school) and /or other excursions that take place</li> <li>Ski or snowboard rental</li> <li>Transfer to and from Geneva Airport on arrival and departure days</li> <li>Health and accident insurance</li> <li>Excursion week in the local area</li> <li>Ski week</li> </ul>
Pocket money:	Weekly pocket money may be distributed to students by the school. The school recommends a sum between CHF.50-100 per week. Parents must indicate the amount of pocket money they wish to give their child and make this sum available to the school.
Payment terms:	The fees must be paid in full before 1st December 2019.

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- Website
- School welcome video
  - <u>Tobogganing video</u><u>Ski week video</u>