Jefferson in Paris Seminar
JUNE 25 – JULY 1, 2017

with University of Virginia’s School of Architecture Professors Louis Nelson, Associate Dean, Professor of Architectural History, and Richard Guy Wilson, Commonwealth Professor of Architectural History

(below) Hall of Mirrors Ceiling at Versailles / Dennis Jarvis
Immerse yourself in late 18th-century Paris and trace the footsteps of Thomas Jefferson and other early American leaders, relive their encounters and triumphs and visit the places that inspired them.

During the very formative years of the United States of America, many of our Founding Fathers found themselves thousands of miles from home in Paris, France. Their subtle diplomacy to the French court was key in obtaining military support and, later, helping our new nation gain a solid footing on the international scene. Perhaps foremost among these leaders was Thomas Jefferson, who spent five years in the City of Lights, mostly as American minister to France. Jefferson was in Paris at a fascinating and volatile time, with the winds of reform buffeting the ancient royal court, although few imagined the cataclysmic events of the French Revolution that were just around the corner. While in Paris, Jefferson exchanged ideas with preeminent French thinkers and experts about political economy, the fine arts, agriculture, trade and fine food and wine.

This unique seminar allows University of Virginia alumni, parents and friends to experience the Paris in which Jefferson and his early American contemporaries lived—tracing his footsteps, reliving his encounters and triumphs, retelling personal anecdotes in the very places they occurred and visiting the places that inspired him. Morning lecture series are interspersed with intelligent excursions to key places in the Parisian stays of our early diplomats—Versailles, the Hôtel de Salm, the palace where the Treaty of Paris was signed ending the Revolutionary War, even the locations of the homes of Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and John Paul Jones. Between the specialized lectures of our faculty leaders and the custom-created tours meant to further enhance your learning, you will be immersed in late 18th-century Paris, all the while enjoying beautiful five-star hotel accommodations and memorable meals.
Louis Nelson is Professor of Architectural History and the Associate Dean in the School of Architecture. Nelson is an accomplished scholar, with two book-length monographs published by UNC and Yale University Presses, three edited collections of essays, two terms as senior co-editor of Buildings and Landscapes—the leading English language venue for scholarship on vernacular architecture—and numerous articles. He is a celebrated teacher, having won a university-wide teaching award in 2007 and served as the 2008 UVA nominee for a state-wide Outstanding Faculty Award. Nelson is a distinguished lecturer having lectured in the past year at St. Andrew's and Edinburgh Universities in Scotland and Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England as well as at numerous American and Caribbean Universities.

Nelson is a specialist in the built environments of the early modern Atlantic world, with published work on the American South, the Caribbean and West Africa. Nelson’s teaching and research focuses on the close examination of evidence—both material and textual—as a means of interrogating the ways architecture shapes the human experience. His current research engages the spaces of enslavement in West Africa and in the Americas, working to document and interpret the buildings and landscapes that shaped the trans-Atlantic slave trade. He has a second collaborative project working to understand the process of construction and early life at the University of Virginia.

Richard Guy Wilson
Commonwealth Professor of Architectural History

Richard Guy Wilson holds the Commonwealth Professor’s Chair in Architectural History at the University of Virginia (Thomas Jefferson’s University) in Charlottesville, Virginia. His specialty is the architecture, design and art of the 18th to the 21st century both in America and abroad. He was a visiting fellow at Cambridge University (England) in 2007.

Wilson was born in Los Angeles—the home of everything new—and grew up in a house designed for his parents by the leading modernist Rudolph Schindler. He received his undergraduate training at the University of Colorado and his MA and Ph.D. at the University of Michigan.

Wilson has received a number of academic honors, among them a Guggenheim fellow, prizes for distinguished writing and in 1986 he was made an honorary member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). He received the Outstanding Professor Award at the University of Virginia in 2001. Since 1979, he has directed the Victorian Society’s Nineteenth Century Summer School located in Boston, Philadelphia and currently Newport, RI. He has served as an advisor and commentator for a number of television programs on PBS and A&E and sixty-seven segments of America’s Castles.

A frequent lecturer for universities, museums and professional groups, Wilson is also widely published with many articles and reviews to his credit. He has been the curator and author for major museum exhibitions such as The American Renaissance, 1876-1917; The Art that is Life: The Arts and Crafts Movement in America; The Machine Age in America, 1918-1941; The Making of Virginia Architecture; and Jefferson’s design for the University of Virginia. A major exhibit on the Colonial Revival will be at the Virginia Museum and other venues in 2015-16.

He is the author or joint author of 16 books that deal with American and modern architecture which include studies of McKim, Mead & White, Monument Ave in Richmond, the AIA Gold Medal, a contribution to the recent books on RM Schindler and David Adler, and principal author and editor of the Society of Architectural Historians book, Buildings of Virginia: Tidewater and Piedmont (2002). His The Colonial Revival House was published in the fall of 2004, Harbor Hill: Portrait of a House in 2008, and Thomas Jefferson’s Academical Village was reissued in a new edition in 2009 and the University of Virginia Campus Guide in 2012. Also published in 2012 was Edith Wharton at Home: Life at the Mount, which treats the architectural interests and contributions of one of America’s leading writers.
A UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SPECIAL SEMINAR

This custom seminar has been created uniquely for the University of Virginia’s Lifetime Learning Program, Office of Engagement.

Sunday, June 25, 2017

Arrival in Paris

• Independent arrival at Paris’ Charles de Gaulle (CDG) International Airport.

• After passing through immigrations and customs, take one of two included group airport transfers or transfer independently from the airport to the five-star Hotel Regina, a beautiful just-renovated historic luxury hotel with a perfect location on the Tuileries gardens. (Check-in not guaranteed until 3:00 p.m.)

• Lunch and the afternoon are independent.

• Participate in an optional excursion to a cemetery of great interest for Americans—the beautiful Suresnes American Cemetery, the final resting place of thousands of American World War I and World War II soldiers, located on the Valerian Hill where Jefferson escaped for a few days with his Parisian friend Jean George Cabains in preparation for his meeting with the great French philosopher Condorcet.

• Seminar Registration with light welcome reception at 5:00 p.m., then meet your fellow travelers and your seminar hosts, Louis Nelson and Richard Guy Wilson, for a seminar orientation meeting in the hotel’s Saint-Honoré meeting room. Personal listening devices, seminar booklets and other materials will be distributed.

• Enjoy a delicious welcome dinner at a fine restaurant within walking distance of the hotel.

Hotel Regina (R, D)

Monday, June 26, 2017

Seminar Block #1, Jefferson’s Left Bank

• Spend the morning attending the Jefferson in Paris Seminar featuring a series of lectures by Louis Nelson and Richard Guy Wilson held in the Saint-Honoré meeting room of the Hotel Regina.

• Following free time for an independent lunch, join a custom-designed walking tour of the graceful neighborhoods of Paris’ Left Bank, where Jefferson traveled relatively often. View the Palace of the Legion of Honor (Hôtel de Salm), which so intrigued Jefferson as it was being built; the new Jefferson statue along the Seine; the rue Jacob (Hotel de York) where the Treaty of Paris was signed, ending the Revolutionary War, a monumental event in American history; the Institut de France; Condorcet statue; the Théâtre de l’Odéon; the house where John Paul Jones died near the Luxembourg Garden; and the Barrière d’Enfer, a neoclassical customs gate designed by Claude Nicolas Ledoux, who was also building a similar gate just outside Jefferson’s home.

• Enjoy a glass of champagne and a lovely dinner at La Procope, a café that was already historic when Jefferson began dining there during his years in Paris!

Hotel Regina (B, D)
Tuesday, June 27, 2017

**Versailles**

- During an in-depth tour of the enormous Versailles palace complex, learn about the royal court that dominated Parisian high culture during Jefferson's time in France and discover King Louis XVI's views on the American Revolution. Go behind closed doors to visit private chambers and spaces not available on the usual public visit. Enjoy a private visit to Versailles' historic library, which was the Foreign Ministry office in the late 1700s and where Jefferson went more than once. Lunch will be provided during our extensive touring.

- Upon returning to Paris, see the still-existent Adams compound in Auteuil, and the location of Benjamin Franklin's former home, where he delighted enlightened Parisian intellectuals.

- Enjoy a free evening in Paris.

*Hotel Regina (B, L)*

Wednesday, June 28, 2017

**Seminar Block #2, Where the Americans Were & Louvre Evening Visit**

- Spend the morning attending the Jefferson in Paris Seminar held in the Saint-Honoré meeting room of the Hotel Regina.

- Gather for a lunch of classic French cuisine at a cozy brasserie.

- Walk in the footsteps of our Founding Fathers during their stays in Paris. Most of the era's structures are now gone, but the presence of Jefferson, Adams and Franklin are recognized by statues and monuments in numerous places. Highlights include the Tuileries gardens; the Hôtel de Coislin on the Place de la Concorde, where a foreign nation recognized the United States as a free, independent nation for the first time—much to the delight of Franklin and Adams; and the stately Palais Royal, a hotbed of revolutionary thought in Paris and frequented by Jefferson.

- Enjoy free time for an independent dinner.

- At 7:30 p.m., regather for a special visit to the Louvre Museum (open late tonight with less crowds than usual) that will focus on the artists of Jefferson’s era, including portrait busts of Washington and Franklin by Houdon and paintings that tell the story of France during the time leading up the Revolution.

*Hotel Regina (B, L)*
Thursday, June 29, 2017

**Marly, Désert de Retz & Rouche-Guyon**

- Travel outside of Paris to see a number of lesser-known landscapes and places that were favorites of Jefferson and that influenced his later ideas and designs.

- Begin at the Château de Marly estate, where the main house is now gone, but the extravagant garden layout is still largely intact. The plan of this garden had a clear impact on Jefferson's concept for the University of Virginia grounds.

- Nearby is the Désert de Retz, a one-of-a-kind rococo space created as a folly—a place Jefferson visited.

- Continue to the historic Château de la Roche-Guyon for an exclusive private luncheon within the historic interiors of the old palace and a special guided tour of the property. The château was the home base of the pioneering Duc de Rochefoucauld, and both Franklin and Jefferson visited here more than once.

- Return to Paris in the late afternoon.

- The evening is independent.

*Hotel Regina (B, L)*

Friday, June 30, 2017

**Seminar Block #3**

- Spend the morning attending the Jefferson in Paris Seminar held in the Saint-Honoré meeting room of the Hotel Regina.

- Enjoy free time for an independent lunch.

- Enjoy an excursion to the historic Picpus Cemetery where the Marquis de Lafayette is buried.

- See the Halles aux Blés (now Bourse de Commerce), the enormous corn-trading hall featuring a magnificent dome that inspired Jefferson’s design of the Capitol building.

- En route back to the hotel, be dropped off at the Centre Pompidou, the largest museum for modern art in Europe, for an independent visit.

- Gather for a splendid farewell dinner at one of Paris’ great restaurants—a fitting finale.

*Hotel Regina (B, D)*

Saturday, July 1, 2017

**Au Revoir Paris**

- Check out of the Hotel Regina.

- After breakfast, board a morning transfer to Paris’ Charles De Gaulle (CDG) International Airport for independent departures.

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JEFFERSON IN PARIS SEMINAR

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