

BACHELOR OF ARTS OF IN WORLD LANGUAGES & CULTURES: FRENCH



SUCCEED. EXPERIENCE. ENJOY.

Build upon your passion for world languages and cultures. You'll broaden your employment opportunities, make connections between language and other disciplines, and even get the chance to study abroad.

BROADEN YOUR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES BY STUDYING FRENCH

French is an ever-growing, international language spoken by over 270 million people around the world. It is a working language of the United Nations, the European Union, UNESCO, NATO, the International Olympic Committee and international courts.

French is used extensively in business and international trade. Many domestic US employers like Amazon, Apple and Wal-Mart have business relations in French-speaking countries. And international businesses like Nestle, L'Oréal and Airbus seek out employees who know French. Knowing French is valuable in the medical field and world health organizations like Doctors without Borders. French speakers are also in demand in hospitality and tourism, education, and government agencies.

Employers know language majors can communicate effectively in both written and spoken forms, interact with a wider group of clients, understand multiple viewpoints, exhibit cultural sensitivity and flexibility, and are able to adapt in a fast-changing world.

WE OFFER A FLEXIBLE MAJOR WITH MANY BENEFITS.

You'll be able to take elective courses in your area of interest, such as History or Political Science. Go for a double major. Popular combos include French with Political Science or Music. Minor in Business Administration, Film Studies, or Entrepreneurship. Choose our Teacher Licensure Option. French teachers are in high demand. You'll be able to take classes with the College of Education while completing your language courses. Regardless of your chosen path, you'll be better prepared to work in the world economy.

- + **Acquire** real-world proficiency in all modes of communication (interpersonal, interpretive and presentational)
- + **Explore** the rich cultures of France and Francophone countries
- + **Fulfill** the Gen Ed (Humanities) requirement with Intermediate French I and II
- + **Expand** your knowledge of French and Francophone literature and film
- + **Discuss** important questions of cultural diversity, gender, race, and identity

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WHY STUDY WORLD LANGUAGES & CULTURES AT EIU?

ACQUIRE SKILLS TODAY'S EMPLOYERS WANT.

Make your résumé stand out with broad skills that qualify you for a wide range of jobs that make an impact.

MATCH YOUR GOALS.

We have flexible majors in Spanish, French and German. Take classes in your language as well as courses from other disciplines with an international focus.

LEARN FROM TOP FACULTY.

Our professors are fabulous, fluent, and fun. Get wowed by dynamic instructors who are dedicated to their craft.

REACH PROFICIENCY FOR SUCCESS.

Our small classes focus on you and your progress. Ample practice will ensure you're moving up on the proficiency scale in all modes of communication.

SAVE MONEY AND TIME.

\$15,000+ scholarships earmarked for EIU World Languages and Cultures majors. Up to 6 free credits awarded for proficiency gained in high school. Have the Seal of Biliteracy? Get 8 credits.

HAVE A PASSION FOR TEACHING?

Choose our teacher licensure option. Our outstanding program is ACTFL/CAEP accredited. And it's the perfect time to become a language teacher: 100% placement in all languages.

GAIN EXPERIENCE AND CONNECT.

Meaningful and memorable service learning in the community: Tutor for "Amigos and Friends." Teach our after school program in Spanish, French, or German. Intern at GlobalFest.

GO STUDY ABROAD.

Worried about money or time? We have study abroad programs for all budgets and timelines. Earn 2 to 15 credits!

BUILD WORLD LANGUAGE COMMUNITY.

Work as a tutor in our World Language Center. Collaborate with faculty to promote the study of world languages. Have a great time with fellow language lovers: Conversation tables; Spanish, French and German Clubs; film nights; Honor Society events; Mardi Gras; Karneval; Oktoberfest; Latino Heritage Month, Fiesta Latina and more.

WE'RE ALL IN!

Small classes, great faculty, and unique opportunities.

REQUIRED COURSEWORK

WITH 2-3 YEARS OF FRENCH STUDY IN HIGH SCHOOL, STUDENTS USUALLY START AT THE 2000-LEVEL. SEE CATALOG FOR AP AND ADVANCED COMPETENCY CREDIT. **ALL COURSES ARE 3 CREDIT HOURS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.**

WLF 2201G - Intermediate French I (4 HRS)

WLF 2202G - Intermediate French II (4 HRS)

24 UPPER DIVISION HOURS, FROM COURSES SUCH AS:

WLF 3300 - French Phonetics

WLF 3301 - French Conversation

WLF 3302 - French Advanced Grammar

WLF 3304 - French Civilization

WLF 3220 - French for Business

WLF 4100 - Topics in Francophone Cultures (1-3 HRS)

WLF 4100B - Topics: French Film for Conversation

WLF 4200 - Topics in Francophone Literatures (1-3 HRS)

ELECTIVE COURSEWORK: 9 HRS

Any combination of courses from other departments with a focus on diversity or international studies and/or courses in another world language. Courses will be chosen in consultation with an advisor.

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED FOR MAJOR: 33 HRS

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- + **FRENCH MINOR:** With 2-3 years of prior high school study, students usually take WLF 2201G Intermediate French I, WLF 2202G Intermediate French II, plus 4 classes (12 credits) on the 3000 or 4000 level.
- + **STUDY ABROAD:** Perfect your French and earn language credits! Experience life in beautiful historic university towns in France and immerse yourself in French. Spend a full semester and earn 12-16 credits in Angers or Avignon or Paris, France.



MAYA SERVED AS A FRENCH TUTOR IN EIU'S TUTORING CENTER FOR WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES.

"My time in the Department has truly been special - I've met some of the most inspiring professors and incredible friends through not only on-campus classes, but through teaching and tutoring French outside Eastern as well! Studying in the Department gave me the practical language skills, professional tools, and cultural experience necessary to navigate my future graduate education and career in the field of international development. Merci beaucoup for four years of community."

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FRENCH AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
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