

Morris Campus

French Minor

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- Program Type: Undergraduate minor related to major
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2011
- Required credits in this minor: 24
- This program requires summer terms.

French is an important language of diplomacy, commerce, and health care, and is used in research across the globe and in many disciplines, such as music, art, linguistics, history, law, political science, anthropology, biology, chemistry, mathematics, and philosophy. The French discipline gives students the language and analytic skills necessary to engage intellectually with these interconnected fields in French and to appreciate the cultures of France and Francophone countries throughout the world.

Objectives--The French discipline teaches the skills necessary for communicating with a variety of French-speaking peoples and for understanding their rich cultures, ideas, institutions, and writings, past and present. We invite students to think critically about French and Francophone cultures, and prepare them for graduate school or to enter a bilingual, professional world.

STUDY ABROAD

In light of today's increasingly interdependent world, the UMM French faculty endorses study abroad in combination with a French major or minor as the most effective means by which to

- * improve language abilities;
- * broaden academic horizons;
- * globalize one's world view;
- * expand career opportunities;
- * advance cross-cultural and problem-solving skills; and
- * gain confidence in oneself personally and professionally.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN FRENCH

The certificate program in French responds to the growing demand for individuals who can communicate successfully in a global environment, and is intended for students whose other academic commitments prevent them from completing either a major or minor in French. To earn a certificate, a student must

- a) complete a minimum of 12 credits in French at UMM at the 2xxx and/or 3xxx level. All courses for the certificate must be taken on campus at UMM. Students are encouraged to study abroad, but the UMM French faculty need to assess the skills and progress of the student. Therefore, classes taken abroad (including July in Paris) do not count for the certificate.
- b) earn at least a B in each of the three courses (S-N grades will not be accepted for the certificate).

No courses in English may count toward the French certificate program. Students who complete a major or minor in French are not eligible for the certificate program.

A student who has met the above requirements will receive a reference letter from the UMM French faculty certifying completion of the certificate program as well as language competence based on guidelines published by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the [Office of Admissions website](#).

Required prerequisites

Beginning French

Beginning French I and II or equivalent previous language experience required to take intermediate French.

Minor Requirements

Students are required to take 4 semester(s) of French.

Students are strongly encouraged to study abroad. Up to 6 credits towards a French minor may be earned abroad and/or transferred from another college/university. Students who wish to apply more than 6 such credits to the French minor must petition the French faculty for approval. Decisions will be made on an individual basis.

No courses taught in English may count toward the French minor.

No grades below C- are allowed. Courses may not be taken S-N unless offered S-N only.

A minimum GPA of 2.00 is required in the minor to graduate. The GPA includes all, and only, University of Minnesota coursework. Grades of "F" are included in GPA calculation until they are replaced.

Required Courses

FREN 3001 *{Inactive}*[IP] (4.0 cr)

FREN 3011W - Introduction to French and Francophone Literature [HUM] (4.0 cr)

Elective Courses

Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:

- FREN 2001 - Intermediate French I [IP] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 2002W - Intermediate French II [IP] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3112 - Advanced Language Studies: Introduction to French Phonetics (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- FREN 2012 *{Inactive}*(1.0 cr)
- FREN 3402 - Medieval and Early Modern Studies: Pre-Enlightenment Culture in France (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- FREN 3023 *{Inactive}*[HUM] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3026 *{Inactive}*[HUM] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3028 *{Inactive}*[HUM] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3502 - Modern Studies: Revolution, Romanticism, Modernity (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3503 - Modern Studies: Avant-Garde, Existentialism, Experimentation (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- FREN 3501 - Modern Studies: The Old Regime and New Ideas: The French Enlightenment (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3602 *{Inactive}*[IP] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3603 - Francophone Studies: Witches, Wilderness, and Words in African Folktales (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3504 *{Inactive}*[IP] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3604 *{Inactive}*(4.0 cr)
- FREN 3060 - July in Paris III: French Language and Culture in Paris [IP] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 3113 - Advanced Language Studies: Introduction to Translation (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- FREN 3114 - Advanced Language Studies: Advanced French Grammar (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- FREN 4021 *{Inactive}*[HUM] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 4991 - Independent Study in French Abroad [IP] (4.0 cr)
- FREN 2xxx
- FREN 3xxx
- FREN 4xxx