

FRENCH, CERTIFICATE

The undergraduate certificate in French offers students the opportunity to develop their proficiency in French language and their knowledge of literature and culture in the French-speaking world, thereby complementing their major(s) in other subjects across the university. It also strengthens the applications of students who intend to pursue careers or graduate study in areas where French is useful. The certificate is open to all undergraduate students.

HOW TO GET IN

Students may declare the undergraduate certificate in French at any time and are encouraged to do so as early as possible, once enrolled as an undergraduate. Please make an appointment with an undergraduate advisor (<https://frit.wisc.edu/undergraduate-programs-in-french/#academic-advising>) to declare the certificate.

REQUIREMENTS

The undergraduate certificate in French requires 15 credits of French coursework (or 5 courses) including FRENCH 228, FRENCH 271, and courses at the 311 level and above. For courses taken on campus at the FRENCH 311 level or higher, prerequisites must be met or permission given by the department. Courses for the certificate cannot be taken on a credit/no credit or pass/fail basis. Retroactive credits may not be applied toward the certificate.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Core Courses | | 6 |
| FRENCH 228 | Intermediate Language and Culture | |
| FRENCH 271 | Introduction to Literary Analysis | |
| Advanced Language Course | | 3 |
| FRENCH 311 | Advanced Composition and Conversation | |
| FRENCH 312 | Advanced Oral and Written Expression: Writing Across the Humanities | |
| FRENCH/ INTL BUS 313 | Professional Communication and Culture in the Francophone World | |
| FRENCH/ INTL BUS 314 | Contemporary Issues in Government, Organizations, and Enterprise | |
| FRENCH 316 | Study Abroad: Advanced French Language | |
| FRENCH 350 | Applied French Language Studies | |
| FRENCH 590 | Advanced Phonetics | |
| Electives: | | 6 |
| FRENCH 311 | Advanced Composition and Conversation | |
| FRENCH 312 | Advanced Oral and Written Expression: Writing Across the Humanities | |

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| FRENCH/ INTL BUS 313 | Professional Communication and Culture in the Francophone World |
| FRENCH/ INTL BUS 314 | Contemporary Issues in Government, Organizations, and Enterprise |
| FRENCH 321 | Introduction to Medieval, Renaissance, and Early Modern Literature |
| FRENCH 322 | Introduction to Literature of Modernity |
| FRENCH 325 | Visual Culture in French/ Francophone Studies |
| FRENCH 347 | Introduction to Medieval, Renaissance, and Early Modern Civilization |
| FRENCH 348 | Modernity Studies |
| FRENCH 350 | Applied French Language Studies |
| FRENCH 430 | Readings in Medieval and Renaissance Literature |
| FRENCH 431 | Readings in Early Modern Literature |
| FRENCH 433 | Readings in Twentieth and Twenty-First Century Literature |
| FRENCH 449 | Francophone Modernity Studies |
| FRENCH 451 | Medieval, Renaissance, and Early Modern Studies |
| FRENCH 461 | French/Francophone Literary Studies Across the Centuries |
| FRENCH 462 | French/Francophone Cultural Studies Across the Centuries |
| FRENCH 464 | Literature and Medicine in French-Speaking Cultures |
| FRENCH 465 | French/Francophone Film |
| FRENCH 467 | Aspects of Contemporary French Literature |
| FRENCH 472 | French/Francophone Literature and Women |
| FRENCH 567 | Undergraduate Seminar in French/ Francophone Literary Studies |
| FRENCH 568 | Undergraduate Seminar in French/ Francophone Cultural Studies |
| FRENCH 569 | Critical Approaches to Literature and Culture: French and Francophone Perspectives |
| FRENCH 590 | Advanced Phonetics |
| FRENCH 595 | Theory and Practice of French/ Francophone Drama |

Total Credits 15

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- At least 9 credits of the certificate must be taken on campus. At least 12 credits of the certificate must be taken in residence. (UW–Madison approved study abroad programs are considered in residence but are not on campus.)
- Students must maintain a 2.000 cumulative GPA in all courses required for the certificate.

CERTIFICATE COMPLETION REQUIREMENT

This undergraduate certificate must be completed concurrently with the student's undergraduate degree. Students cannot delay degree completion to complete the certificate.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. (Interpretive communication) Demonstrate that they understand and can analyze of literary and non-literary texts in French representing a variety of topics, time periods, and geographical regions.
2. (Presentational communication) Express themselves effectively in spoken and written French to inform, persuade, and narrate for different audiences of listeners, viewers, or readers.
3. (Interpersonal communication) Express themselves effectively in spoken and written French to share information, reactions, and opinions related to a variety of topics and texts.
4. (Cultural knowledge) Recognize and explain cultural artifacts, practices, and perspectives of the French-speaking world.
5. (Linguistic knowledge) Demonstrate a good degree of understanding of lexical, grammatical, syntactic, and stylistic features of the French language.
6. (Cross-cultural awareness) Demonstrate awareness of difference and diversity by comparing and contrasting culturally situated beliefs, behaviors, and norms of the French-speaking world with their own.
7. (Engagement with the French language and culture) Engage in a sustained fashion with the French language, its users, and cultural artifacts in and beyond the classroom, e.g., in their own community, virtual communities, and study abroad.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

For more information about advising and declaring the certificate, see Certificate in French (<https://frit.wisc.edu/undergraduate-programs-in-french/#certificate-in-french>) and academic advising. (<https://frit.wisc.edu/undergraduate-programs-in-french/#academic-advising>)

PEOPLE

FRENCH

Professors Bousquet, Debaisieux, Goodkin, Miernowski, Vatan, Vila

Associate Professors Armstrong, El Nossery, Willis Allen

Faculty Associates Deitz, Theobald

Senior Lecturer Miernowska