

# FRENCH | LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

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*Unless otherwise indicated in the course description, all courses at the University of Florida are taught in English, with the exception of specific foreign language courses.*

## Department Information

Home to 15 different language programs, the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (LLC) offers training in languages and cultures from all corners of the globe. From Swahili to Italian, Russian to Vietnamese, LLC gives students the opportunity to become cross-cultural experts in an increasingly internationalized world.

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### Curriculum

- African Languages
- Arabic
- Arabic Language and Literature Minor
- Chinese
- Combination Degrees
- Dual Languages
- East Asian Languages and Literatures Minor
- Foreign Languages and Literatures
- French and Francophone Studies
- French and Francophone Studies Minor
- German
- German Minor
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- Hebrew Minor
- Italian
- Italian Studies Minor
- Japanese
- Russian
- Russian and East-European Area Studies Certificate
- Russian Minor

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## Courses

### FRE 1130 Beginning French 1 5 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Beginning French 1 and Beginning French 2 constitute the basic sequence in French for the development of overall skill in the language. Open to those with little or no background in French.

### FRE 1131 Beginning French 2 5 Credits

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continuation of the basic sequence in French for the development of overall skill in the language. Open to those with little or no background in French.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 1130 or FRE 1180 with minimum grade of C, or S, or the equivalent as proven by placement test score.

**FRE 1134 Accelerated French Review 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides a rapid review of basic communicative French as preparation for intermediate French. For those with previous French study but insufficient placement scores to move to the 2000 level.

**Prerequisite:** Two years of high school French or equivalent.

**FRE 1180 Elementary French: Review and Progress 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

For those who have previous experience in French but who are not yet prepared for advanced elementary work in the language. FRE 1180 confirms overall language skill in preparation for FRE 1131.

**FRE 2220 Intermediate French 1 4 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Devoted to grammar review and composition as well as to the advancement of spoken proficiency, FRE 2220 and its sequel, FRE 2221, develop reading and writing skills in French.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 1131 or FRE 1134 or FRE 1182.

**FRE 2221 Intermediate French 2 4 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continued grammar review. Emphasizes practice in reading and developing vocabulary. Selected readings in French and Francophone fiction.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2220.

**FRE 2274 Intensive French Abroad 6 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

An immersion language course integrating the experience, observations and impressions of students living abroad with a French family (site announced annually). Emphasis on development of language proficiency and cultural awareness. Class meets 12 hours a week. Enhances speaking, reading, writing proficiency and the ability to communicate with native speakers.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 1131 with minimum grade of C, or S, or the equivalent as proven by placement test score.

**FRE 3070 Accelerated Introduction to French 5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Accelerated introduction to French. Assumes no previous knowledge of French. Offers a four-skill introduction to the language for those who have completed intermediate level study in another Romance language.

**Prerequisite:** Minimum 15 credits earned in enrollment, test, or transfer credit.

**FRE 3224 Applied French 1-5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

French-language reading and discussion section designed to accompany and complement areas of diverse content offered in other departments. Readings and discussions are in French to develop specific vocabulary and fluency related to the content of the companion course, as well as to provide an international perspective on the issues of the main course.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2242 or instructor permission; 3 credits can count toward the major or minor.

**FRE 3300 Grammar and Composition 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Systematic examination of French grammar. Practice of writing at several levels (summary of texts, descriptions, compositions). Textual analysis of literary and journalistic materials. First course of major sequence.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or equivalent, or AP score of 5, or IB score of 6 and above, or WebCAPE test.

**FRE 3320 Composition and Stylistics 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Develops advanced writing skills through the stylistic study of literary and journalistic texts. Writing assignments focus on development of a variety of skills, including summaries, literary analyses, argumentative essays, etc. Aspects of French grammar are highlighted along with analytical terms and key vocabulary from texts.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3300 or the equivalent.

**FRE 3410 French Conversation and Interaction 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Develops and refines oral and comprehension skills relating to different domains. New vocabulary ranging from the colloquial to the most refined of discourses enables students to recognize and use words and expressions in the proper context; material enables students to move from discussions about themselves to situations they are likely to encounter in daily life abroad, through interviewing techniques and professional interaction.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221.

**FRE 3440 Commercial French 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Introduction to business practices in France with particular emphasis on active use of business vocabulary and salient cultural differences. Primary topics include written business communication, financial institutions, trade, and advertising.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.

**FRE 3442 Contemporary French Commerce 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Continues the acquisition of business language with special attention paid to technical readings, marketing, case studies, and the role of France in the European Union. Emphasizes oral communication skills and contrasting US and French business culture.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3300 or instructor permission.**FRE 3500 France through the Ages 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A study of France within context of the principal historical events that have formed and transformed the nation state, its mentality and its cultural production. Special attention is given to the significant political, intellectual, religious, social and artistic currents that have marked France and its image from ancient times to the present. (N)

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.**Attributes:** General Education - International**FRE 3502 Francophone Cultures 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A study of the cultures of countries or regions where French is used as the (or one of the) official language or, in a less official capacity, by a segment of the population. Study of some of the historical, conceptual, practical and problematic aspects of Francophonie. Also concentrates on one specific area (the Caribbean or West Africa or Quebec, etc., on a rotating basis). Literary samples are included. (N)

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.**Attributes:** General Education - International**FRE 3564 Contemporary French Culture 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

An overview of contemporary France that may include the study of politics, economics, education and the arts as well as ideas of national and ethnic identity and France's place in the EU. (N)

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.**Attributes:** General Education - International**FRE 3780L Corrective Phonetics 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A survey of the units of speech cast in practical terms and organized by classes of sounds with particular emphasis on rhythm, vowels, nasalization, diphthongs and the complex phenomena that occur at word transitions in French. Taught in French, in an audio laboratory, with the instructor as monitor and with a manual designed for individualized instruction.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.**FRE 4411 French Communication 2 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Focuses on oral practice with emphasis on oral communication and exchanges. It is designed to improve students' fluency in French and build/expand on their skills. Fosters possibilities to communicate across disciplines and engage with current affairs through news segment, radio and tv podcasts and other media. Topics may include ecology, climate change, the environment, geopolitics, global fashion industry, health, intercultural exchanges, music.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3410 or the equivalent.**FRE 4420 Writing in French 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Advanced writing course that provides a systematic study (or review) of French syntax, vocabulary and style with the help of drill sessions. Also may include some training in literary translation. A number of quizzes and written compositions.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 or instructor permission.**FRE 4501 The French Language in the Americas 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Examination of the presence of French in the Americas. Topics covered include: the origin of French in the Americas, language practices of Francophone communities, linguistic characteristics of the varieties of French, the effect of language contact on language behavior and representations and identity issues. Focus varies from year to year.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320.**FRE 4780 Introduction to French Phonetics and Phonology 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

An introduction to French phonological processes, providing explanatory evidence for the production of speech sounds, for the classification of sounds, for their interrelationship with one another (gliding, nasalization, assimilation), for morphological and syllable structure, for specifically French phenomena such as liaison, elision, final consonant drop, schwa drop, and for the relationship of morphology to phonology, especially in the verb system.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320; LIN 3010 recommended.

**FRE 4822 Sociolinguistics of French 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Sociolinguistic issues in the French-speaking world: language variation, discourse analysis, attitudes toward varieties of French and contact with speakers of other languages.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320; LIN 3010 recommended.

**FRE 4850 Introduction to the Structure of French 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Explores the French language as a system of communication and mental representation. Analyzes the morphological, syntactic and semantic aspects of contemporary French, and emphasizes the historical, psychological and sociological dimension of linguistic investigation.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320; LIN 3010 recommended.

**FRE 4905 Individual Work 1-4 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

For advanced major and minors who seek independent work not offered in another course. Must be arranged individually with French faculty.

**Prerequisite:** department permission; only three credits can count toward the minor or major.

**FRE 4906 Honors Thesis 1-3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Directed research leading to a 30-40 page essay on a topic approved by the thesis director; registration for two semesters is highly recommended. Not a substitute for a required course in the French major.

**Prerequisite:** 3.5 minimum GPA.

**FRE 4911 Undergraduate Research in Language or Linguistics 0-3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides firsthand, supervised research in Language or Linguistics. Projects may involve inquiry, design, investigation, scholarship, discovery or application in Language or Linguistics.

**FRE 4930 Revolving Topics in French Studies 1-5 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Variable topics dealing with specific issues in French studies.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRE 3101, or the equivalent.

**FRE 4956 Overseas Studies 1-18 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides a mechanism by which coursework taken as part of an approved study abroad program can be recorded on the UF transcript and counted toward graduation.

**Prerequisite:** undergraduate advisor permission.

**FRT 2460 French Texts and Contexts 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Selected readings in English translation of major works of French literature. For those with no knowledge of French.

**FRT 2930 Special Topics in French Literature and Culture 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Rotating topics in French literature and culture; taught in English.

**FRT 3004 Monuments and Masterpieces of France 3 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Study of selected masterpieces of French literature, in English translation. Works to be considered as they relate to history and as they can be read in strictly literary terms. Topic varies from year to year.

**Prerequisite:** sophomore standing or higher.

**FRT 3520 French Cinema 4-8 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Critical, theoretical, and historical study of French cinema. Content may include key directors, 1930s cinema, nostalgia, and masculinity in 1980s films, World War II cinema, and Colonial and Postcolonial cinema. Taught in English.

**Prerequisite:** Critical Tracking semester 3 or greater.

**FRT 3561 Women in French Literature and/or Cinema 3-4 Credits**

**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Introduction to the rich heritage of feminist traditions in France and Francophone countries through an exploration of women writers and thinkers (filmmakers, theorists), primarily of the 19th and 20th centuries. Selected topics include L'Écriture féminine (Writing the Feminine), autobiographical writing by French and Francophone women, women in French cinema, and representations of women in French film and literature. Read, discuss, and analyze a broad spectrum of primary and secondary sources from a feminist viewpoint.

**Prerequisite:** Critical Tracking semester 3 or greater.

**Attributes:** General Education - International

**FRT 4523 European Identities, European Cinemas 4 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides knowledge of different cultures, languages, and identities that make up contemporary European cinemas.

**Prerequisite:** Sophomore standing or higher.**FRT 4911 Undergraduate Research in English Translation 0-3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides firsthand, supervised research in English Translation. Projects may involve inquiry, design, investigation, scholarship, discovery or application in English Translation.

**FRT 4956 Overseas Studies 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides a mechanism by which coursework taken as part of an approved study abroad program can be recorded on the UF transcript and counted toward graduation.

**Prerequisite:** undergraduate advisor permission.**FRW 3100 Introduction to French Literature 1 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Overview of French Medieval, Renaissance and classical literature and culture, with major literary, intellectual and historical trends through study of representative works from each period. Emphasizes close reading of texts to train students to read critically and to familiarize them with major authors, genres and interpretations. (N)

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.**FRW 3101 Introduction to French Literature 2 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Selected readings of outstanding authors of prose fiction, poetry and theatre from the 18th to the 20th century. Provides the historical context for major literary movements and authors, and trains students to read and write critically. Generally organized thematically. (N)

**Prerequisite:** FRE 2221 or the equivalent.**Attributes:** General Education - International**FRW 3930 Rotating Topics in French and Francophone Literature 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Selected topics in French literature.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 or instructor permission.**FRW 4212 Readings in 17th Century French Prose 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Selected readings with an emphasis on the history of ideas, the moralistes and culture in the early modern period. Texts include Descartes, Cyrano de Bergerac, Pascal, Fontenelle, La Rochefoucauld, La Fayette, La Bruyère, and Svign.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and (FRW 3100 or FRW 3101), or the equivalent.**FRW 4273 Readings in 18th Century French Literature 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Rotating topics exploring the fiction, theatre or intellectual prose of the Enlightenment. Special emphasis placed on the cultural climate and productions of the ancient regime.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4281 Readings in the 20th Century French Novel 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Examination of representative novels in 20th century French literature from Proust to the New Novel and beyond. Emphasis may include study of genre, narrative techniques, literary modernism and major themes. Combines an historical approach with close textual readings. Authors frequently studied include Proust, Gide, Malraux, Cline, Camus, Sartre, Robbe-Grillet, Butor, Sarraute and Duras.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4310 Seventeenth Century French Drama 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Theory and practice of dramaturgy in the classical period as reflected in plays of Corneille, Molière, and Racine. Close textual analysis to disengage aesthetic and ideological problematics posed by each play.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and (FRW 3100 or FRW 3101).**FRW 4324 Readings in 20th and 21st c. French theater 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A study of selected plays (by Anouilh, Beckett, Césaire, Duras, Genet, Ionesco, Jarry, Réza, Sarraute, Sartre, etc.), dramatic techniques and stage performances in 20th and 21st century French and Francophone theater.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3330 or FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.

**FRW 4350 Modern French Poetry from Baudelaire to the Present 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Combines an historical approach with close readings of poetic texts; also introduces a number of theoretical and critical writings. Although traditional poetic texts are studied, the works of less frequently taught poets are also presented.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4391 Concepts of French Cinema 4 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A critical and historical study of the representation of gender and ethnicity in French cinema.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3300.**FRW 4532 Survey of French Romantic Literature 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

A rotating topics tracing the development and the main tenets of 19th century French Romanticism. Concentrates on various themes and genres, including poetry, theater and the novel as well as the socioeconomic and cultural matrices that fostered the movement. Emphasizes the relationship between literature and the visual arts, constructions of gendered, cultural and artistic subjectivities, exoticism (spatial, temporal and mystical voyages) and representations of Paris and French society. Beginning with pre-Romantic authors, moves on to Lamartine, Stendhal, Hugo, Vigny, Balzac, Sand, Musset, Desbordes-Valmore, Nerval and Baudelaire.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4552 Introduction to Realism and Naturalism 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Rotating topics trace the development and the main tenets of latter 19th century literary, artistic, and cultural productions. Concentrates on various themes and genres, including poetry, theatre, and the novel as well as the socioeconomic and cultural matrices that fostered movements arising between 1850 and the Fin de siècle. Specific attention may be devoted to definitions of Realism, Naturalism, and Symbolism; representations of modern life and the industrialization of the literary market; the infiltration of scientific and mechanistic thought into literary productions (poetry or prose); and representations of women and the female body, of Paris and Parisian society.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and (FRW 3100 or FRW 3101 or the equivalent).**FRW 4762 Readings in Francophone Literatures and Cultures (excluding the Caribbean and Sub-Saharan Africa) 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Rotating topics in the literatures and cultures of the Francophone world, including North America (Quebec), Europe (Belgium, Switzerland and regional France), Asia (Vietnam, Indian Ocean) and the Middle East.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4770 African and Caribbean Literatures 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

The production of Sub-Saharan African writers from its inception to the present through examination of representative works and figures, genres (epics, poetry, drama, novels), discourses and critics that inform the productions. Particular attention is paid to historical, political and cultural issues that figure in the development and orientation of African literature in French. Occasional inclusion of Caribbean literature for purpose of comparison.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4822 Introduction to French Critical Theory 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Review and comparative analysis of approaches to literature from Romanticism to Deconstructionism. Reading and writing are examined through the eyes of Sainte-Beuve, Taine, Lanson, Bachelard, the Geneva School, Ricoeur, Bataille, Blanchot, Barthes, Foucault, Genette, Lacan, Kristeva, Todorov, Derrida and others.

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101, or the equivalent.**FRW 4911 Undergraduate Research in Target Language 0-3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides firsthand, supervised research in Target Language. Projects may involve inquiry, design, investigation, scholarship, discovery or application in Target Language.

**FRW 4932 Senior Seminar in French Literature 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Rotating topics for French majors and minors in the senior year. Topics rotate given research interests or field of specialization of the teaching faculty. Recent topics have included La Posie du Voyage; L'Écriture féminine; Le Discontinu chez La Rochefoucauld et La Bruyere; Charles Baudelaire: pote/ critique de la vie moderne; Qu'est-ce que la Rvolte?

**Prerequisite:** FRE 3320 and FRW 3100 or FRW 3101.