



Program Planning Guide

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Calendar Year: 2010/2011

Faculty: Arts & Science

Modern Languages Programs

The Department of Modern Languages offers four majors for the B.A. degree program: French, German, French/German, and French/Spanish. In addition to majors, the Modern Languages Department offers five minors, available for the B.A., B.Sc., or BASc. degree programs: French, German, Japanese, Linguistics, and Spanish. Students may also complete a B.A./B.Ed. or B.Sc./B.Ed. Combined Degrees program with a Modern Languages major and a B.A./B.Ed. or B.Sc./B.Ed. program with a Modern Languages Education minor. Please refer to the University of Lethbridge Calendar for more information.

Consult With the Department Advisor

Students requiring advice on the majors or minors offered by the Department of Modern Languages are strongly encouraged to consult with the Department Advisor as early as possible in their first two years of study.

Off-Campus Study and Scholarships

Faculty of Arts and Science French majors are encouraged to participate in the Department's French Visiting Student Program (FVSP). Further information on this program may be obtained from the French Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department. Students may apply for a Summer Language Bursary to study French elsewhere in Canada. Scholarships of interest to students studying off campus include the Louis Sherman Turcotte Memorial Travel Scholarships. French majors may also be eligible for the Ruby I. Larson French Language Scholarship. Further information on these awards may be found in the University of Lethbridge Calendar or at the Scholarships and Student Finance Office.

Book Prizes

Each Spring the Swiss Embassy provides to the Department of Modern Languages one French book that is traditionally awarded to students performing well in French courses. As well, the Department nominates a student for the Jean-Pierre Ascione Book Prize in French Literature. Recipients of the book prizes are normally continuing students either in Modern Languages or Education. No applications are required.

Independent Study Opportunities

Students interested in undertaking an Independent Study in the Department of Modern Languages should consult with an instructor of their choice.

Co-operative Education

A Co-op option, requiring three work terms, is available. Students interested in the Co-operative Education/Internship program should contact the Coordinator of Co-operative Education in the Career Resources Centre (B610 | phone: 403-382-7154) for further information.

Bachelor of Arts French

Department of Modern Languages Placement Policy

Placement Test	Students will enrol in courses for which they have the prerequisite listed in the Calendar. However, in order to confirm their enrolment in 1000-level language courses (1000, 1100 or 1500) in French, German, Japanese, or Spanish, students must satisfy the requirements of a compulsory Placement Test. This test is administered at the first class meeting of these courses each semester. For further information on the Placement Test, students should read the Department's Placement Policy, available from the Department Advisor or from the Department Administrative Assistant. Students may also consult with the French, German, Japanese, or Spanish Language Coordinator if they have further questions.
Advanced Standing	As a general rule, the Department of Modern Languages does not permit students to register in courses for which they do not have the prerequisites listed in the Calendar. However, students who think that they have adequate background to do well in a course without the prerequisite may apply to the Department for a waiver of prerequisite.
Advanced Placement Exam	The Advanced Placement Exam is used to assess the knowledge of students who wish to enrol in French, German, Japanese, or Spanish 1100-, 1500- or 2000-level courses without the formal prerequisites. For information on the Advanced Placement Exam, students should read the Department's Placement Policy, available from the Department Advisor or the Department Administrative Assistant. Students may consult with the French, German, Japanese, or Spanish Language Coordinator if they have further questions.
Assessing Preparedness	Students wishing to enrol in a 3000- or 4000-level course without the official prerequisite should have their preparedness for the course assessed through an interview with the course instructor.
Prerequisite Waiver Forms	Application forms for prerequisite waivers may be obtained from the Department Administrative Assistant, from instructors or from the Department Advisor. A waiver of prerequisite is not granted until these forms are signed by both the appropriate instructor and the Department Chair. The signed forms must be presented at the Arts and Science Student Program Services Office (SU060) at the time of registration.
Program Requirements	The B.A. degree with a major in French requires 40 semester courses, including a minimum of 15 courses in the major. A maximum of 20 courses in French is allowed.
Transfer Credit	Remember that you may use both University of Lethbridge credit and credit transferred from another college or university to meet degree and major requirements. Transfer credit may be either specified or unspecified. Specified credit is indicated on your transcript by the subject name and the specific number of the course, e.g., French 1000, 2300, etc. Unspecified credit (1XXX, 2XXX, etc.) is indicated by the subject name and level of the course in parentheses, e.g., French (1000 level), French (2000 level), etc.
Unspecified Course Credit	Unspecified course credit means that the University of Lethbridge does not offer the same course you transferred in, but we recognize it and treat it as a regular course. An unspecified course would count as one of your maximum of 20 from one department, but it could not meet a specific course requirement. For example, if French 1500 is required in your program, you could not use French (1000 level) to fulfill that requirement. Students with unspecified transfer credit need to consult an Academic Advisor to establish how the transfer credit fits in the degree program. This should be done as soon as possible after transfer credit is awarded.

Program Worksheet

Name : _____ ID : _____

Required French Courses:

_____ 1-2. One of the following pairs (a. or b.):

_____ a. **Non-Immersion Pair**

(for students who have completed French 30, French 31, or equivalent)

French 1500 - Intermediate Language I
French 2000 - Intermediate Language II

Note: Students who have not completed French 30 or French 31 (or equivalent) should begin their program with French 1000 and/or French 1100 depending on the placement test (see Section 21.v.2, Placement, p. 138, in the 2010/2011 UofL Calendar). These courses will count among the five additional courses in French.

OR

_____ b. **Immersion Pair**

(for students who have completed French Language Arts 30, Français 30, or equivalent)

French 2001 - Intermediate Language for
Immersion Graduates
One additional course in French

_____ 3. French 2300 - Introduction to Modern Literature and Literary Analysis

_____ 4. French 3001 - Advanced Language I

_____ 5. French 3100 - Survey of Pre-Revolutionary French Literature

_____ 6. ONE of:

_____ French 4001 - Advanced Language II

_____ French 4002 - Advanced Studies in Language (Series)

_____ 7-9. THREE additional courses in French at the 3000/4000 level

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____

_____ 10. ONE additional course in French at the 4000 level

_____ 11-15. FIVE additional courses in French

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____

Note: French 2250 will count toward the maximum number of French courses allowed in the Arts and Science French major but not toward the minimum 15 courses required for this major, except for students in the B.A./B.Ed. program.

French Visiting Student Program

1. Courses are selected in consultation with the French Off-Campus Studies Coordinator. Students must enrol in French 2250, one French transfer course eligible for credit, and one other course in French eligible for credit (this last course can be a second French transfer course, a non-French transfer course taught in French at the host university or an Independent Study taught in French).
2. Students fill out the Department of Modern Languages French Visiting Student Program Application Form.
3. Students provide the French Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department of Modern Languages with a copy of their most recent transcript.
4. Students must submit completed, signed applications to the Coordinator for Department approval.
5. Students have the Department of Modern Languages French Visiting Student Program Application Form approved by the Faculty of Arts and Science Student Program Services Office.
6. Students must arrange with the Cash Office for payment of fees by the appropriate deadlines.
7. Students must register for French 2250 at the Registrar's Office and Student Services (ROSS). If the program includes an Independent Study course, students must submit the form (signed by the instructor and Department Chair) to the Arts and Science Student Program Services Office (SU060) for approval.
8. Students will then forward all necessary documents to the host university, including fees or deposits. Keep photocopies of all correspondence with the host university!

For complete details on the FVSP (e.g., eligibility for financial assistance, transfer credit upon return to the UofL, etc.), see the French Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department of Modern Languages.

Sample Sequencing Plan

Shown below is a sample sequence of courses for your degree. If you follow this plan, you should be able to graduate in four years, provided you complete five courses per semester. This is just one example of how you could complete your major and degree requirements; you may find that a different sequence works as well as this one.

Year 1, Fall

French 1500 or French 2001¹
GLER course
GLER course
GLER course
GLER course

Year 2, Fall

French 2300
French elective
Elective
Elective
Elective

Year 3, Fall

French 3000/4000 level
French elective
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective
Elective

Year 4, Fall

French 4001 or French 4002³
French 3000/4000 level
French elective
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective

Year 1, Spring

French 2000 or French elective¹
GLER course
GLER course
GLER course
GLER course

Year 2, Spring

French 3001
French 3100
Elective
Elective
Elective

Year 3, Spring

Option One: French 3000/4000 level, French elective, and Three Electives
Option Two: Participation in the French Visiting Student Program²

Year 4, Spring

French 4000 level
French elective
Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective
Elective

¹ Students who have completed French 30 or French 31 (or equivalent) should complete French 1500 and French 2000 in their first year of studies. Students who have completed French Language Arts 30 or Français 30 (or equivalent) should complete French 2001 and a French elective in their first year of studies. Students who have completed none of the previously mentioned courses should begin with French 1000 or 1100 (as indicated by the placement test) and should seek advice on course sequencing from the Department Advisor in Modern Languages.

² French 2250, at least one French transfer course, and one additional course for which the language of instruction is French. For complete details on the French Visiting Student Program (FVSP), see the French Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department of Modern Languages. Note that participation in this program is optional for Arts and Science majors.

³ Semester of offering may vary.

Terms Used

GLER course: A course that could count toward the General Liberal Education Requirement. You may use courses in your major towards this 12-course requirement. See the 2010/2011 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 4 - Academic Regulations (p. 85) for complete information.

The Faculty of Arts and Science offers Liberal Education 1000 and 2000, specifically designed to introduce first-year students to the wide scope of human knowledge and teach essential university success skills, critical thinking, and integrative thinking (see the 2010/2011 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 14 - Courses, p. 306). LBED 1000 and 2000 may be used toward satisfying the GLER.

Elective: A course that you may choose freely from all those available and applicable to your program. Use courses inside or outside your major, bearing in mind any restrictions that may apply (e.g., a maximum of 20 courses from any one department).