

BA in Romance Languages with Emphasis in French

Degree Program Description

The BA in Romance Languages with an emphasis in French is the exploration of the language, literature, and culture of French-speaking countries. The degree requires a minimum of 30 hours of French beyond FRENCH 2100. Faculty strongly encourages all majors to spend at least one semester (or summer) studying abroad, preferably after their second year of the language. Given the liberal arts foundation of a degree in French students pursue careers in a variety of fields or continue their studies. Graduates have pursued careers in journalism, tourism, diplomacy, and education.

Major Program Requirements

Students who have not satisfied the requirement of the elementary sequence (four years of a second language in high school) may take the Second Language Placement exam to place them in an upper level language course. Once the upper level course is completed on campus, with a grade in the C-range or better the student can apply for Advanced Standing (i.e. receive back credit for the elementary language sequence in that language).

For the major, course work must be completed with a grade in the C range or higher in each of the required courses and students must maintain a 2.0 GPA in the major. In addition to University (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), general education (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and College of Arts and Science (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#undergraduatetext>) requirements, students must also meet the following major program requirements. All major requirements in the College of Arts and Science must be completed with grades of C- or higher unless otherwise indicated.

Students who work toward a double major (two BA degrees within the College of Arts and Science) may be able to complete the majors with a minimum of 120 credits.

To obtain the BA degree in Romance Languages with an emphasis in French, the following courses, or their equivalents, must be completed.

Major core requirements

FRENCH 2160	Intermediate French Composition and Conversation	3
FRENCH 3160	Advanced French Composition and Conversation I	3
or FRENCH 3280	Commercial French	
FRENCH 3410	Intro a la pensee critique / Introduction to Critical Analysis	3
FRENCH 3420	Introduction to French Culture	3
FRENCH 3430	French Masterworks: Texts and Contexts	3

Additional Requirements

- Students must complete five additional courses, preferably at the 4000-level. We encourage students to take Stylistics as one of these. FRENCH 4960 cannot be used to fulfill this requirement except by permission of the department chair.

- Students beginning at a level higher than FRENCH 2160 due to placement testing must still complete 30 credits in order to receive the major.
- In addition, the student is required to take a Writing Intensive (WI) course in the major, normally designated sections of FRENCH 3420 or FRENCH 3430.
- It is highly recommended (not required) that students take FRENCH 2310 French Civilization as an elective; this course will not count towards the minor or major. It is highly recommended, if at all possible, that students study for a summer, a semester or a full year in a French-speaking country.

Semester Plan

Below is a sample plan of study, semester by semester. A student's actual plan may vary based on course choices where options are available

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
FRENCH 2160 ¹		3 FRENCH 3160 ¹	3
ENGLISH 1000*		3 Science with Lab*	5
MATH 1050, 1100, or STAT 1200		3 Behavioral Science Course*	3
Social Science Course*		3 Social Science Course*	3
		12	14
Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
Science Course*		3 FRENCH 3430 ¹	3
FRENCH 3410 ¹		3 Science Course*	3
Humanities Course*		3 Humanities Course*	3
Behavioral Science Course*		3 Humanities Course*	3
		12	12
Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
FRENCH 3420 ¹		3 FRENCH 4000-level ¹	3
Social Science Course*		3 FRENCH 4130 ¹	3
Elective Course		3 Elective Course	3
Elective Course		3 Elective Course	3
Elective Course		3 Elective Course	3
		15	15
Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
FRENCH 4000-level ¹		3 Elective Course	3
FRENCH 4000-level ¹		3 Elective Course	3
Elective Course		3 Elective Course	3
Elective Course		3 Elective Course	3
Elective Course		3 Humanities Course*	3
		15	15
Total Credits: 110			

¹ Course meets degree program requirements

* Course meets University general education and/or campus requirements

Electives may be replaced by courses that fulfill requirements for a double/dual major or a minor. See also information on Minor

in French (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/additionalcertificatesminors/minor-french/>).