French

Department Information

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  www.ndsu.edu/modernlanguages/ (http://www.ndsu.edu/modernlanguages/)
- **Credential Offered:**
  B.S.; B.A.; Minor
- **Official Program Curriculum:**
  catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/french/ (http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/french/)

Today's interconnected world generates the need to be able to communicate in more than one language. As networks of international cooperation and exchange grow in complexity, particularly among governments and businesses, those who possess foreign language competence become increasingly valuable. Moreover, it has been shown that learning a second language can improve one's overall writing and speaking ability.

Career Directions

Experience has shown that many students, with or without declared modern language majors or minors, find a second language background especially useful when combined with preparation in another professional field. Examples include health care, public relations, journalism, TV and radio broadcasting, hotel management, publishing and editing, government service, banking, and management.

One of the more promising occupational fields for language students has been international business. Individuals with foreign language skills are finding increased opportunities with multinational corporations, especially in management and marketing. Many companies with international ties recruit candidates possessing linguistic training because they recognize its correlation with effective verbal and written communication. Regardless of their specific majors, students are encouraged to contact the department for information and advice on career application of foreign language skills.

Students wishing to prepare for high school teaching should make this intention known to the School of Education and to the Department of Modern Languages to make certain that the requirements for state certification are met. Competitiveness and flexibility in the job market tend to be greater if certification can be obtained in two or more different areas.

Sample Program Guide

IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER: A Sample Program Guide provides an unofficial guide of program requirements and should be used by prospective students who are considering attending NDSU in the future. It is NOT an official curriculum and should NOT be used by current NDSU students for official degree planning purposes. Note that the official curriculum used by current NDSU students can vary from the Sample Program Guide due to a variety of factors such as, but not limited to, start year, education goals, transfer credit, and course availability.

To ensure proper program completion, enrolled students should utilize Degree Map (https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/degreemap/) and Schedule Planner (https://www.ndsu.edu/onestop/degree-map-and-planning/) in Campus Connection and consult regularly with their academic advisor to ensure requirements are being met.

First Year			
Fall	**Credits**	**Spring**	**Credits**
ENGL 110	3	ENGL 120	3
Gen Ed Quantiative Reasoning	3	FREN 312	3
FREN 311	3	Gen Ed Wellness	2
Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences	3	Gen Ed Science/Tech with lab	4
Gen Ed Science/Tech	3	AHSS College Requirement	3
	15		**15**
Second Year			
Fall	**Credits**	**Spring**	**Credits**
FREN 315	3	One year of a Second Language Course	3-4

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One year of a Second Language Course	3-4	AHSS College Requirement	3
Gen Ed Science/Tech	3	Minor Courses or Elective	6
COMM 110	3	FREN Upper-Division elective	3
Minor or 2nd major	3		
	15-16		**16**

Third Year			
Fall	**Credits**	**Spring**	**Credits**
FREN 350	3	FREN 492	12-15
FREN Upper-Division Elective	3		
Gen Ed Social & Behavioral Science	3		
Minor or 2nd major	9		
	18		**12-15**

Fourth Year			
Fall	**Credits**	**Spring**	**Credits**
FREN Upper-Division Elective Course	3	FREN 489 (Senior Thesis)[*]	1
Minor or 2nd major	10	FREN Upper-Division Elective	3
FREN 360	3	FREN Upper-Division Elective	3
		Minor Courses or Electives	6
	16		**13**

Total Credits: 120-124

*   FREN 489: Senior Thesis must be completed after the study abroad experience.