

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures
Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages (BAFL)
FRENCH MAJOR
For students entering under UG Catalog 2023-2024

Common Degree Core (21 credit hours)

All language majors under the BA in Foreign Languages share the following Common Degree Core requirements (21 credit hour total):

- First year experience (3 credit hours)
- Language (6-15 credit hours)
- Other language-program-specific courses (3-12 credit hours)

First year experience (3 cr)

___ RLCL 1004 Introduction to Religion and Culture (3)

Language (e.g. oral, written, interpretive) (6 cr)

___ *FR 3126 French Oral Proficiency (3) (most students also take FR 3125)¹

___ *FR 4154 Advanced Composition and Stylistics (3)¹

Other language-program-specific courses (e.g. literature, culture, linguistics) (12 cr)

___ *FR 3304 Introduction to French Literature (3)²

___ *FR 3314 Introduction to Francophone Studies (3)³

Two of the following:

___ *FR 4164 Special Topics in Business French (3)^{4#}

___ *FR 4314 Studies in French Literature (3)[#]

___ *FR 4324 Special Topics in French Life, Literature and Language (3)[#]

Major Requirements (15 credit hours)

___ *FR 3105 Composition, Conversation and Grammar (3)^{2,5}

___ *FR 3106 Composition, Conversation and Grammar (3)^{2,5}

Three of the following:

___ *FR 3164 Advanced Business French (3)¹

___ *FR 3424 French Culture from Middle Ages to Renaissance (3)^{3,5}

___ *FR 3434 French Culture from Baroque to Revolution (3)^{3,5}

___ *FR 3444 French Culture from Romanticism to Belle Époque (3)^{3,5}

___ *FR 3454 French Culture from World Wars to Global Present (3)^{3,5}

¹ Pre: 3105, 3106 (or equivalent)

² Pre: 2106 (or equivalent)

³ Pre: 3105, 3106, 3304

⁴ Pre: 3106, 3164

⁵ May also count toward Pathways.

May be repeated for credit with different content.

Pathways to General Education Requirements (45 credit hours)

Area 1: Discourse (9 credit hours)

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Area 2: Critical Thinking in the Humanities (6 credit hours)

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Area 3: Reasoning in the Social Sciences (6 credit hours)

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Area 4: Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (6 credit hours)

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Area 5: Quantitative and Computational Thinking (9 credit hours)

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Area 6: Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts (6 credit hours)

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Area 7: Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States (3 credit hours)

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Free Electives: complete remaining credit hours needed to satisfy degree 120 credit hour requirement.

Notes

Total Hours Required: 120 credit hours required for graduation.

GPA requirements: Students must earn a 2.0 or better in all of the courses in the Core Degree Requirements and Major Requirements (except those offered P/F only).

Satisfactory Progress Toward Degree: FR 3105, FR 3106, and FR 3304 will need to be completed satisfactorily (with a C or better in each required course in the major) by the time a student majoring in French has completed 72 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, credit by examination, and course withdrawal).

Language Study Requirement: As a major in French, you will have completed the Foreign Language requirement at Virginia Tech

Pre-/Co-Requisite: Some courses required for this major have pre-/co-requisite and/or enrollment requirements. Please refer to Undergraduate Course Catalog or consult your advisor for information about pre-/co-requisite and enrollment requirements.

Transfer Credit:

Although students may transfer no more than 18 of the last 45 cr. of coursework a waiver may be requested for students participating in study abroad programs. A form for “Authorization to Take Courses Elsewhere” must be filled out and signed by the student, the departmental representative, and the Director of the Office of Education Abroad before the student departs on the study abroad program.

Those who are transferring to Virginia Tech from a two-year school must complete at least 50% of the required graduation credit at Virginia Tech.

Students with transfer credit for the French major must earn at least 25% from Virginia Tech.

AP and IB credit: Please see a French advisor to inquire about the appropriate substitution for this credit.

Total hours required in French: Students must earn 36 credit hours for the French major regardless of initial course placement.