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Language learning matters. More than 5,000 languages are spoken around the globe today, making language learning an essential ingredient to give you a real-world, competitive edge.

Fluency in one or more second languages can open the door to such careers as language teaching, translation, interpreting, foreign service, journalism, customs and immigration, police and legal services, tourism and conference services, banking and finance.

In our Languages programs, most classes are small. You'll be a name—not a number. Your counsellor will be happy to guide you through your program.

Student work groups will enhance your study experience. Organized social events will give you the opportunity to practise your language skills and learn more about the cultures you are studying. Need a friendly place to study? Get your work done in our study spaces on the sixth floor of Lambton Tower.

## 1 FRENCH STUDIES

A degree in French studies can lead to such career choices as teaching, government, journalism, media and business. In addition, mastery of a second language has become an invaluable—many would say essential—arrow in the quiver of the modern university graduate. This is especially true in the Canadian workforce, a major G8 member and an officially bilingual nation.

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our French Studies program offers a varied and comprehensive course of study that comprises courses in language training, linguistics, the literatures and cultures of the francophone world, and translation. You may study for a three-year general or a four-year honours degree.

#### General French Studies

A three-year general program providing a solid knowledge of the language, literatures and cultures of the francophone world, and training in linguistics and translation.

#### Honours French Studies

A four-year honours program allows you to further develop your language skills and knowledge of linguistics, literature and culture (with a view to teaching or to further study at the post-graduate level, for example).

#### Concurrent General Bachelor of Arts (French Studies)/Bachelor of Education\*

This intensive, five-year program is designed for students who wish to pursue a BA (General) degree in French Studies, while concurrently studying education and doing field experience in schools. Graduates of this program will receive two degrees and be eligible to teach French as a Second Language at the intermediate/senior (Grades 7-12) level.

#### Combined Major in French Studies

This is a four-year program taken in combination with another major degree program to allow you to develop unique courses of study to meet your individual needs.

#### Minor in French Studies

A set of six courses in French Studies are taken in conjunction with another university major program (10 courses are required to have French as a second teachable subject).

Our faculty members are graduates of major universities in North America, Europe and Africa. This diversity is one of our greatest strengths, allowing us to offer the particularly rich and varied range of courses in literature, linguistics and culture that characterize our programs.

### FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- French Language Training I and II
- Introduction to Literary Studies
- Realism and Naturalism

### CAREER PATHS

Examples of career paths after a degree in French Studies include:

- Teaching French as a first or second language (with additional studies)
- Translation and interpretation
- Federal and provincial civil services
- Law (with additional studies)
- Business and industry

### EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

You may spend your third year studying in France at the Université de Nice on the French Riviera, at the University of François-Rabelais in Tours, at one of the universities in the Rhône-Alpes region, or at the Université du Québec à Montréal for one or two semesters.

Other opportunities include a government-funded Summer Language Bursary program in which you'll spend six weeks in Québec in an intensive immersion environment.

*\*An opportunity for exchange is not available for Concurrent General BA (French Studies)/Bachelor of Education students. Please contact an advisor in the department for additional information.*

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Ontario Secondary School graduates require six Grade 12 U or M courses, including Grade 12 U in French or their equivalents (such as Collège Boréal High School equivalency French courses). Applicants from outside Ontario or Canada will hold qualifications of an equivalent level.

## 2 CONCURRENT FRENCH/EDUCATION

### FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- French Language Training I and II
- Introduction to Literary Studies
- Realism and Naturalism
- Teaching and Learning Part I

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The OSS Diploma and six Grade 12 U or M courses, including ENG4U, are required.

### 3 GREEK AND ROMAN STUDIES

This program draws on the cultural richness of the ancient world to combine academic rigour with subject matter that is both personally engaging and relevant for any field of study.

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Ancient Greece and Rome are the twin areas of interest in Greek and Roman Studies. You will study periods foundational periods for these cultures—when Greeks and Romans were asking themselves profound questions. What is a citizen? A family? A god? A nation? What is beauty? What is justice? What is freedom? These questions are still important today.

You will explore the social, political, artistic and religious aspects of the ancient Mediterranean world. Our topics courses change their content from year to year and add to the diversity of our offerings.

Courses in Greek and Latin will give you access to the great literary works of the ancient world as they were written, but no prior knowledge is required.

Direct contact with the great ideas and achievements of distant but enduring cultures enlightens you in the choice of your own role in an ever-more complicated world.

Popular degree combinations in recent years have included History, English, and Political Science, though almost any other combination is also possible.

#### FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- Introduction to Greek Civilization
- Introduction to Roman Civilization
- Topics in Classical Culture
- Introductory Latin I and II

#### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

A course that includes touring and excavating at archeological sites in Greece is an option in alternating summers.

#### CAREER PATHS

- Law (with additional studies)
- Teaching (with additional studies)
- Archaeology
- Travel and tourism
- Journalism
- Museum curatorship

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The OSS Diploma and six Grade 12 U or M courses, including ENG4U.



## 4 MODERN LANGUAGES

Explore a new language, the process of language acquisition and the culture associated with it. We offer concentrations in German, Italian and Spanish. No prior knowledge of the language is required; if you have prior knowledge, you will be placed appropriately with placement determined by a program counselor.

Small classes and innovative, double-credit courses deliver two years in one. You can specialize in one language, two languages, or a language combined with a non-language option. Our Year Abroad program option is offered to students taking one language.

Or, combine our minor and certificate language programs with the university's business, engineering, kinesiology, science and fine arts degree programs to give you a powerful skill set.

This program provides exchange opportunities in Germany, Italy, Mexico, Chile and Spain.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The OSS Diploma and six Grade 12 U or M courses, including ENG4U, are required. All programs require a minimum admission average, which may change depending on the number of applications.

Majors in any language but French do not require prior high school language courses and will be assessed and placed appropriately upon program entrance.

### MODERN LANGUAGES WITH YEAR ABROAD

We offer this program in the German, Italian or Spanish language and culture streams, with no prior language training required. You will take language training courses, plus courses in history, modern life and classical and contemporary literature and cinema.

This program is unique in Canada because you must spend your third year at a university in the country of your studied language and culture—a tremendous asset to any potential employer or graduate school. Tuition costs at the foreign university will be the same as UWindsor. Scholarships, bursaries and work opportunities in the foreign country are available.

### FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- Introduction to German, Italian and Spanish Literature
- Language, Linguistics and Society
- Intensive German for Beginners
- Intensive Italian for Beginners
- Intensive Spanish for Beginners
- Intermediate Intensive German
- Intermediate Intensive Italian
- Intermediate Intensive Spanish

### CAREER PATHS

- Travel and tourism
- Social work
- International business and industry
- Federal and provincial civil services

### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Learn—and live—by studying overseas. Take a summer program. Spend a year in Italy, Germany, Spain, Chile or Mexico. Your studies abroad count towards your degree, and you'll take innovative, experiential courses that enable you to explore your new country with a discerning eye. Exchange students from abroad, and our UWindsor International Office will support your initiative to study overseas.

## 5 MODERN LANGUAGES / GERMAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

We offer a variety of programs with a concentration in German Language and Culture. Language is studied both experientially (through classroom practice of sounds, intonation patterns, posture and gestures and situations typical of the target language) and theoretically (learning how to study language through, for example, grammatical analysis).

Our programs include a core component of courses in comparative literature, general and applied linguistics, and cultural studies to help contextualize German language and culture.

An understanding of German culture is acquired through courses on its history, modern life and classical and contemporary literature and cinema.

### Honours Modern Languages

A four-year program with concentration on German language and culture, including one year at a German language university.

### Honours Modern Languages and Second-Language Education

A four-year program with concentration on German language and culture including our Certificate in Second Language Education.

### Honours Modern Languages with Two Languages Option

A four-year program with concentration on German language and culture and either Italian or Spanish language and culture.

### Combined Honours Modern Languages

A four-year program with concentration on German language and culture combined with any other major offered by the university.

### Minor in Modern Languages

A set of six language courses in German, Italian, and Spanish, taken in conjunction with any other university major program.

## FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- Introduction to Language and Linguistics
- Introduction to German, Italian and Spanish Literature
- Intensive German for Beginners
- Language, Linguistics and Society
- Intensive Intermediate German

## CAREER PATHS

- Teaching German as a second language (with additional studies)
- Teaching English as a second language in Canada or around the world
- Speech-language pathology/therapy
- Travel and tourism
- International business
- Federal and provincial civil services
- Social work (with additional studies)

## EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Learn—and live—by studying overseas. While the possibility of an exchange is available in many programs, our unique Honours in Modern Languages degree incorporates a year abroad as a unique feature of the program. Additional funding opportunities for the year abroad are available.

## 6 MODERN LANGUAGES / SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

We offer a variety of programs with a concentration in Spanish Language and Culture. Language is studied both experientially (through classroom practice of sounds, intonation patterns, posture and gestures and situations typical of the target language) and theoretically (learning how to study language through, for example, grammatical analysis).

Understanding of Spanish culture is acquired through courses on Spanish and Latin American history, modern life and classical and contemporary literature and cinema.

Our programs include a core component of courses in comparative literature, general and applied linguistics, and cultural studies to help contextualize Spanish language and culture.

### **Honours Modern Languages**

A four-year program that concentrates on Spanish language and culture, including one year of study at a Spanish language university.

### **Honours Modern Languages and Second-Language Education**

A four-year program with concentration on Spanish language and culture including our Certificate in Second Language Education.

### **Honours Modern Languages with Two Languages Option**

A four-year program that concentrates on Spanish language and culture and either German or Italian language and culture.

### **Combined Honours Modern Languages**

A four-year program with concentration on Spanish language and culture combined with any other major offered by the university.

### **Minor in Modern Languages**

A set of six courses in Spanish language taken in conjunction with any other university major program.

## FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- Introduction to Language and Linguistics
- Language, Linguistics and Society
- Introduction to German, Italian and Spanish Literature
- Intensive Spanish for Beginners
- Intensive Intermediate Spanish

## CAREER PATHS

- Travel and tourism
- Social work (with additional studies)
- International business and industry
- Federal and provincial civil services

## EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

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## 7 MODERN LANGUAGES / ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

We offer a variety of programs with a concentration in Italian Language and Culture. Language is studied both experientially (through the classroom practice of sounds, intonation patterns, posture and gestures and situations typical of the target language) and theoretically (learning how to study language through, for example, grammatical analysis).

Understanding of Italian culture is acquired through courses on its history, modern Italian life and classical and contemporary literature and cinema. Our programs include a core component of courses in comparative literature, general and applied linguistics, and cultural studies to help contextualize Italian language and culture.

### **Honours Modern Languages with Year Abroad**

A four-year program with concentration on Italian language and culture, including one year at an Italian university.

### **Modern Languages and Second-Language Education**

A four-year program with concentration on Italian language and culture, including our Certificate in Second Language Education.

### **Honours Modern Languages with Two Languages Option**

A four-year program with concentration on Italian language and culture, and either German or Spanish language and culture.

### **Combined Honours Modern Languages**

A four-year program with concentration on Italian language and culture combined with any other major offered by the university.

### **Minor in Modern Languages**

A set of six courses in Italian language taken in conjunction with any other university major program.

- Effective Writing I and II
- Introduction to Language and Linguistics
- Language, Linguistics and Society
- Introduction to German, Italian and Spanish Literature
- Intensive Italian for Beginners
- Intensive Intermediate Italian

## EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Learn—and live—by studying overseas. Take a summer program. Spend a year in Italy. Your studies abroad count towards your degree, and you'll take innovative, experiential courses that enable you to explore your new country with a discerning eye. Exchange students from abroad, and our UWindsor International Office will support your initiative to study overseas.

## CAREER PATHS

- Teaching Italian as a second language (with additional studies)
- Teaching English as a second language in Canada or around the world
- Speech-language pathology/therapy
- Travel and tourism
- International business
- Federal and provincial civil services
- Social work (with additional studies)

## 8 SECOND LANGUAGE EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers are in high demand, not only in Canada, but also in Asia, South America and Europe. ESL training provides extensive travel opportunities in foreign countries and exposure to new cultures while, at the same time, earning money teaching English.

As many as 600 million people speak English as their second language, and approximately one billion more are studying English, leading to more than 20,000 ESL teaching positions advertised every month.

### OUR PROGRAM

The Second Language Education Certificate will provide you the theoretical and practical aspects that define the field of second language education and allow you to teach any language in which you are proficient.

This certificate may be taken as part of one of the honours degree programs available in Modern Languages or as a stand-alone program combined with any other major offered by the university.

For additional information on the Certificate as part of our Honours German, Italian or Spanish Modern Languages degree programs, see above.

This certificate allows you to approach second language education both as a student and teacher. You are first trained in the foundations of linguistics and later introduced to the major theories and methodologies of second language acquisition and education.

You will take two language courses in which you do not have prior university level training. By the end of the program, you will be awarded a Second Language Education Certificate to use towards a career as a second language educator.

Because of prerequisites and course sequencing, you may require two to four years to complete the Certificate program. Students in our programs are each assigned an academic advisor to direct them in selecting the appropriate courses for each year of the program.

### FIRST-YEAR COURSES

- Effective Writing I and II
- Introduction to Language and Linguistics
- Language, Linguistics and Society
- Introduction to German, Italian and Spanish Literature
- Intensive German for Beginners
- Intensive Spanish for Beginners
- Intensive Italian for Beginners
- Intensive Intermediate German
- Intensive Intermediate Spanish
- Intensive Intermediate Italian

### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

The Second Language Education Certificate offers you the opportunity to gain hands-on experience while observing and teaching classes of English as a second language.

### CAREER PATHS

- Teach a second language at various levels, be it as a second language to those whose first language is English or English as a second language to students in Canada or abroad.
- Faculty of Education or graduate program such as a Master's degree or PhD in applied linguistics

### STUDENT SUPPORT

The faculty members in Second Language Education program are graduates of leading universities in Europe and North America. Our individual expertise and skills in the field of second language acquisition and education serve us to assist students in learning the theoretical and practical notions of second language education.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The OSS Diploma and six Grade 12 U or M courses, including ENG4U, are required. Students already registered for a Major in another discipline may add the SLE Certificate program to their degree provided they can fulfil the course requirements in conjunction with their Major requirements.

## FINANCIAL AID

For entrance and in-course award opportunities for of the Languages, Literatures and Civilizations programs in this brochure, please visit our Award Search at [my.uwindsor.ca](http://my.uwindsor.ca). Click on the Financial Matters heading and then Search for Awards in the sidebar.

In addition to entrance awards, the **Outstanding Scholars Program** attracts top high school students entering any first-year honours undergraduate program at the University of Windsor.

Approximately 100 high-achieving, first-year students will be offered status as an Outstanding Scholars Candidate in Year 1 of their studies.

The goal of this program is to challenge and stimulate students by providing them with the unique opportunity of holding an undergraduate academic appointment in their second year of studies and beyond where students will work closely with faculty on academic research projects.

For additional information, please visit: [uwindsor.ca/outstandingscholars](http://uwindsor.ca/outstandingscholars).



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