

Global French Studies, Minor

The Minor in Global French Studies

Faculty Advisor

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- Students may double count two courses taken for the French & Francophone Studies minor that are also being used to fulfill the requirements of other majors, minors, and programs. This does not include double-counting with General Education requirements, which has no limit.

Overview

Spoken on five continents by more than 300 million people, French is one of the most influential languages in the world and one of the most valuable to know outside of English for global business, diplomacy and the Arts.

French is an official language of the United Nations and remains essential for anyone interested in international relations and diplomacy, business and trade or humanitarian work. But it's also a language of passion, creativity and everyday life — whether you're drawn to literature, film, politics or pâtisserie.

At CMU, students have the option to major in Languages and Cultures with a concentration in Global French Studies or minor in Global French Studies. For more information, visit <https://www.cmu.edu/dietrich/lcal/academics/undergraduate/lc-studies/french.html>. (<https://www.cmu.edu/dietrich/lcal/academics/undergraduate/lc-studies/french.html>)

Prerequisites

Elementary-level proficiency in French. This is equivalent to the completion of two 12-unit courses. Exemption from elementary or intermediate level courses can be awarded based on Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or CMU internal placement test scores. If students place out of the intermediate level, then additional courses at the 300 and 400 levels will be required to complete the minor. In all cases, progress will be accelerated by study abroad, which is highly recommended for all minors.

Curriculum

The Minor in Global French Studies 54 units

1. Foundational Courses in French and Francophone Studies (5 courses, 45 units)

	Units
82-201 Intermediate French I	9
82-202 Intermediate French II	9
82-303 French & Francophone Cultures *	9
82-304 French & Francophone Sociolinguistics *	9

NOTE: Students who place out of one or two intermediate level courses must take additional courses at the 300- or 400-level to complete the required number of courses.

* Courses can be repeated when offered with different topics for the 5th foundational course.

2. French and Francophone Studies Electives (1 course, 9 units)

In consultation with the advisor, choose one additional course taught in French or English. For example, an additional 400-level course in French & Francophone Studies, 82-282/82-283, or the Languages, Cultures & Applied Linguistics Seminar.

Curricular Notes & Clarifications:

- At least one 400-level course is required for the minor.
- Students who place out of one or two intermediate level courses must take additional courses at the 300- or 400-level to complete the required number of courses.
- Students who have taken 82-303 and 82-304 at least once, and move to 400-level courses, and who might have to take a 300-level course again with a new topic to complete the major requirements, must register for 82-418 and complete work at the fourth-year level. In this situation, students must inform their course instructor.