Modern & Classical Languages & Literatures


The Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures at Wichita State University grants the bachelor of arts degree with specializations in French or Spanish. Minors are available in French, German, Latin, Russian and Spanish. Courses are also offered in Italian, Chinese and Japanese.

The challenges of today's world require men and women to be educated within a multilingual and multicultural perspective.

The language department meets those challenges by offering programs that open career opportunities in international business and law, foreign service, translating and interpreting, tourism and teaching. In addition, knowledge of foreign language literatures and cultures develops an understanding of other peoples, which is unavailable to the monolingual person.

Admission
When you choose to study a different language, you will be admitted to the Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. You will be assigned a faculty advisor in the MCLL department who will help you develop your program of study and who will outline specific requirements.

If you are still deciding on a major when you begin taking classes at WSU, the LAS Advising Center will help you explore career and major options.

Related Opportunities
Informal weekly conversation groups in French and Spanish provide programs of interest to language students.

The Savaiano-Cress Language Laboratory, now part of the new Music and Languages Innovation Center, supports classroom instruction and contains an extensive library of videocassette and DVD recordings of films and television programs from several countries; recordings of poetry, music and plays; audio programs for independent study; and computerized and internet language-learning programs.

Regular daily telecasts in all languages taught may be viewed in the Language Lab. Several scholarships are available to language students, including awards to freshmen who have a serious interest in French, Latin, Spanish or German. Students in foreign languages who qualify may participate in the national honorary societies: Pi Delta Phi (French) and Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish). If eligible, students may be selected for university academic honor societies such as Phi Kappa Phi and Mortar Board.

The department sponsors summer Study Abroad programs for students of French and Spanish. WSU credit may be earned through the program in Puebla, Mexico. Students of French may earn transferable credit from the Université de Strasbourg, France. Scholarships are available. Students of French may earn transfer credit from the Université d’Orléans, France.

Related Programs
Students interested in foreign languages or literatures may want to consider programs in English literature, linguistics, international studies or international business.

General Education Program
Well-Rounded Learning
Wichita State strives to offer the most complete college experience possible to produce well-rounded, successful Shocker graduates. Through general education courses, students explore subjects outside of their major, expanding their knowledge, perspective and skills and making a positive impact on their career and life.

Benefits of general education courses:
• Improved critical thinking skills
• Better communication, written and spoken
• Increased analytical reasoning and problem solving
• An acquired knowledge of natural and social science, the arts and humanities

Improve skills by taking courses that include diversity content, study abroad experiences, service learning and experience-based learning.
**Major Requirements**

### For a Degree in French
- Intermediate French Readings I & II - 6 credit hours
- Intermediate Conversation & Composition - 3 credit hours
- Advanced Composition and Grammar - 3 credit hours
- French Civilization: The Middle Ages to the Restoration
  - OR
  - Contemporary French Civilization - 3 credit hours
- Selected French electives, including at least nine hours of literature - 15 credit hours
- Linguistic & Foreign Languages
  - OR
  - MCLL 351 - 3 credit hours

### For a Degree in Spanish Literature or Language and Civilization Emphasis
- Intermediate Spanish Grammar & Composition - 3 credit hours
- Intermediate & Advanced Spanish Conversation - 6 credit hours
- Intermediate Spanish Readings I and II - 3 credit hours
- Advanced Spanish Grammar & Composition - 3 credit hours

Additional requirements for a degree in Spanish, literature emphasis include
- Courses in literature and/or linguistics - 12 credit hours
- 12 credit hours within the following courses: Spanish Phonetics, Major Topics or Special Studies, Business Spanish, Spanish Civilization, Latin-American Civilization, Introduction to Romance Linguistics
- MCLL 351
  - OR
  - Linguistics and Foreign Languages - 3 credit hours

### Additional requirements for a degree in Spanish, language and civilization emphasis include
- 12 credit hours within the following courses: Spanish Phonetics, Major Topics or Special Studies, Business Spanish, Spanish Civilization, Latin-American Civilization, Introduction to Romance Linguistics
- MCLL 351
  - OR
  - Linguistics and Foreign Languages - 3 credit hours

There are additional requirements to earn certification to teach a foreign language. Consult the College of Education or request the “Secondary Education: Foreign Language” information sheet.

*Some of the courses listed in Major Requirements will count toward the General Education Requirements.*

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**For more information**

If you have further questions or would like to schedule a campus visit, please contact the Office of Admissions.

- **Marcus Welcome Center**  [wichita.edu/admissions](http://wichita.edu/admissions)
- **Office of Admissions**  [wichita.edu/visit](http://wichita.edu/visit)
- **1845 Fairmount**
- **Wichita, KS 67260-0124**

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