MINOR IN FRENCH

French Minor

All upper-division courses are conducted in French and students are expected to use French in their speaking, reading, and writing.

Students must complete the lower-division sequence, or the equivalent, prior to beginning upper-division coursework. The program may waive some or all lower-division requirements if the student demonstrates appropriate competency through advising, by taking the placement test, through AP examination, or through equivalent coursework taken elsewhere. Students must pass a minimum of 15 units to successfully complete the minor. A minimum of 9 upper-division units need to be taken in residence and cannot be transferred from study abroad, or another institution. All lower-division units can be transferred, as appropriate.

Students should meet with an advisor or take the placement test prior to enrolling in their first French class. To take the online placement test, contact the French program coordinator at blemarch@sfsu.edu.

Pathway

Starting at FR 101, students will complete a 23-unit minor (FR 101, FR 102, FR 215, FR 216, FR 304 or FR 305, 3 upper-division elective units, and either FR 500 or FR 501).

Starting at FR 102, students will complete a 19-unit minor (FR 102, FR 215, FR 216, FR 304 or FR 305, 3 upper-division elective units, and either FR 500 or FR 501).

Starting at FR 215 level, students will complete a 15-unit minor (FR 215, FR 216, FR 304 or FR 305, 3 upper-division elective units, and either FR 500 or FR 501).

Starting at FR 216, students will complete a 15-unit minor (FR 216, FR 304 or FR 305, 6 upper-division elective units, and either FR 500 or FR 501).

Starting at 300-level, students will complete a 15-unit minor (FR 304 or FR 305, 9 upper-division elective units, and either FR 500 or FR 501).

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Speak, write, and understand the French language; analyze the language in its morphology and syntax.
2. Historical and cultural development of French and Francophone culture, especially in its international context.
3. Primarily through the study of complex literary texts, students will develop critical thinking by identifying issues and problems associated with their object of study.
4. Write coherent, engaging, and rigorous critical essays in French that conform to accepted academic standards.

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All coursework used to satisfy the requirements of the minor must be completed with a GPA of 2.0 or better.