
French



The French Program at California State University, San Bernardino offers specialized degrees in French Studies and French Language and Cultures. A minor in French is also available.

Studying Abroad

The CSU has an excellent International Program (IP) with study abroad opportunities for students at multiple locations throughout the world. Students interested in learning about French and Francophone cultures can study in Aix-en-Provence (France), Paris (France) or Montreal (Canada). The Switzer Scholarship – available only to students from our campus – helps to defray your costs and makes the programs even more affordable.

Students are enthusiastic about their IP experiences: “Studying abroad changed my life!”; “As an art history double-major, France

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language skills, broadened my global perspective and gave me friends that, to this day, are among the best I have”; “Studying abroad gave me the confidence to teach French language and culture.”



Two tracks to meet your interests!

The bachelor's degree allows you to choose from two tracks: French Studies and French Language and Cultures. Along with a core program designed to provide advanced practice in the French language, each of the tracks provides the specialized knowledge you'll need to succeed in your career while also allowing you flexibility in choosing courses that interest you.



Our faculty encourage you to use French, to the best of your ability, while teaching you about the diversity of peoples and countries in the Francophone world. Our instructors are experienced in creating environments that encourage and stimulate you to speak French with confidence. Because our classes are not overcrowded, you can expect to receive individual attention from your instructor and have many opportunities to get to know your classmates well (using French!) By the time you graduate, you'll be able to converse, read and write in French with confidence!

Voulez-vous parler français?

Bachelor of Arts in French

A B.A. in French combines study of language, literature and culture to give you a well-rounded background that develops your linguistic proficiency while also increasing your knowledge of the Francophone world. You can choose from the French Studies option (ideal for double majors!) or the French Language and Cultures option, depending on your interests and career goals. Students from both options complete a common set of core courses.

Minor in French

The French minor allows you to continue study in the French language and Francophone cultures. For most students, the knowledge gained from the minor supports disciplinary studies in your major by giving you access to a wider range of resources.

The minor can enhance graduate school applications and fulfill the second language required in most graduate programs.

Requirements

PROGRAM	COURSES	UNITS
MINOR IN FRENCH	7	19
CORE FOR MAJOR	9	25
B.A. IN FRENCH STUDIES	4-6*	11
B.A. IN FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CULTURES	8-9*	23

* depending on units





Why Study French?

Worldwide, French is the most widely taught second language after English because of its importance: only French and English are spoken on all five continents! A major or minor in French will prepare you for a career in international organizations, global companies, government service and teaching. It is also an excellent supplement to studies in art history, English, history, philosophy, political science and business.

For more information:

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