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Department of Romance Languages

PROGRAM OF FRENCH

COMPLETING A FRENCH MAJOR OR MINOR



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Introduction

As you navigate your academic journey, we encourage you to consider the enriching opportunities within our French Program at Hunter College, CUNY. Whether you are just starting to learn French, are passionate about all things French and Francophone, or simply seeking to broaden your horizons, our program offers a diverse range of courses designed to inspire and challenge you.

Why French?

Our French Majors and Minors provide a unique blend of literary exploration and cultural immersion. They are designed to foster a deep understanding of French and francophone literature, enhance critical thinking skills, and promote intercultural competence. Our Majors and Minors offer a pathway to appreciating the richness of global narratives, honing language proficiency, and preparing for diverse career opportunities in fields such as education, translation, cultural affairs, international relations, and so much more!

If you're curious and want to explore how French aligns with your academic and career goals, we encourage you to reach out! Our faculty and advisors are here to provide more information, answer your questions, and guide you through the exciting possibilities within the French Program at Hunter College.

Overview

The French Major provides two concentrations

French Literature (30 credits)

A concentration in French literature that emphasizes the study of literary works and criticism.

French Language and Civilization (30 credits)

A concentration in French language as well as in French and Francophone literature, culture and civilization.

The French Minor provides three concentrations

French Language & Culture (15 credits)

French Literature (15 credits)

French Culture & Literature in Translation (15 credits)

French Major

French Literature (30 Credits)

In the French Literature Major with a concentration in French and francophone literature, your focus is on the study of literary works and criticism. To successfully complete this major, you'll need to fulfill specific course requirements in different categories.

Core Requirements:

- **Literary Foundations (3 credits)**
 - Choose one from FREN 311, 312, or 321.
- **Intermediate Courses (6 credits)**
 - Take both FREN 341 and 342.
- **Advanced Courses (21 credits)**
 - Choose a combination of courses from the following options:
 - FREN 331, 335, 336, 337, 343, 344, 346, 348, 349, 350, 351, 353, 360, 361, 363, 365, 375, 491, 495.

Teaching Focus (for those planning to teach in grades 7-12):

- If you're considering teaching, you will need to complete an additional 3 credits in Second Language Acquisition. You can choose from FREN 399, 495, or SEDC 212 or SEDC 712.

It's important to plan your course selection carefully to meet both the core requirements and any additional criteria for your specific career goals. Feel free to consult with your academic advisor to ensure you're on track and getting the most out of your French Literature Major.

French Major

French Language and Civilization (30 credits):

This concentration provides a balanced mix of language proficiency and cultural understanding. By selecting courses from different groups, you'll gain a comprehensive understanding of French language, literature, and civilization.

- **Group A: (12 credits)**
 - Courses to be chosen from: FREN 220, 275, 311, 312, 321, 331.
- **Group B: (0-9 credits)**
 - Courses to be chosen from: FREN 241, 242, 251, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262.
- **Group C: (9-18 credits)**
 - Courses to be chosen from: FREN 335, 336, 337, 341, 342, 343, 344, 346, 348, 349, 350, 351, 353, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 375, 495.

Important Note:

- You have the flexibility to choose either FREN 241 or FREN 335 (but not both) and either FREN 242 or FREN 336 (but not both) to count towards the major.

Make sure to plan your course selection according to your interests and academic goals. If you have any questions or need guidance, don't hesitate to consult with your academic advisor.

French Minor

Minor in French Language & Culture

This course of study provides the opportunity to deepen the knowledge of French language beyond the basic language, sequence and to introduce students to French Culture trans-historically, in ways that could usefully complement a major in another field in the humanities. where a broad knowledge of French history or culture could be useful (for instance in the Arts).

Prerequisite:

- The prerequisite for this minor consists of either Fren 202 or 203 or equivalent linguistic proficiency.

Requirements:

- **Language Courses** (9 credits):
 - 3 courses to be chosen from: Fren 211, Fren 220, Fren 311, and Fren 312.
- **Culture & Civilization Courses** (6 credits):
 - 2 courses to be chosen from: Fren 335, Fren 336, and Fren 337.

French Minor

Minor in French Literature

This course of study is designed to provide students with the opportunity to deepen their knowledge of the French language beyond the basic language sequence. The focus is on the analysis of French literature, offering a more nuanced understanding of the language in a cultural and literary context.

Prerequisite:

- The prerequisite for this minor is French 211 or equivalent proficiency. This ensures that students have a foundational understanding of the French language.

Requirements:

- **Core Courses (6 credits):**
 - Before diving into the elective courses, students must first complete both FREN 341 and FREN 342
- **Elective Courses (9 credits):**
 - 3 courses to be chosen from:
 - Fren 343, Fren 344, Fren 346, Fren 348. Fren 349, Fren 350, Fren 351, Fren 360. Fren 361, Fren 362, Fren 363, Fren 364, Fren 365.

This minor is suitable for various groups of students, including native speakers of French or those with a francophone background. It is particularly relevant for students whose majors are in disciplines unrelated to French literature. This minor allows them to explore and engage with French literature, adding a valuable cultural and literary dimension to their academic pursuits.

French Minor

Minor in French Culture & Literature in Translation

The courses for this minor are to be chosen from a selection of 200-level courses, taught in English.

Requirements:

- **4 courses to be chosen from:**

- Fren 241, Fren 242, Fren 251, Fren 252, Fren 253, Fren 254, Fren 255, Fren 256, Fren 257, Fren 258, Fren 259, Fren 260, Fren 261, Fren 262.

This course of study provides the opportunity to students with no knowledge of the French Language to be introduced to French Culture & Literature. This minor offers an interesting complement or context to studies in other fields (such as history, philosophy, political theory or women's studies) that have benefited, historically, from French influences.

Contact Us

Ways to Connect

Your academic journey is uniquely yours, and we're here to support you every step of the way. Don't hesitate to reach out for more information.

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- [Teaching Assistant Program in France](#)

We look forward to connecting with you and helping you make informed decisions about your academic future.