

BA IN FRENCH

Units required for Major: 36
Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The French program is a cultural resource to Sacramento State and the Sacramento community in general; it represents the French language, literature, and civilization of Europe and North America as well as other areas of the world where French is the common language.

The French program helps prepare its majors and minors for careers not only in teaching but in many other fields as well, such as business, journalism, and government service. To that end it offers courses that enable students to grow intellectually and to live and work successfully in areas where the French language is spoken.

The program reaches out to both the local and international communities. Students have the opportunity to study abroad as well as to tutor and teach in local schools. The French faculty pride themselves on being accessible to students and taking a keen interest in the students' individual achievements.

The Bachelor of Arts in French offers an exploration of the vast contribution that French language and culture have made to the world. The program gives courses in literature, culture, and language (there are also courses in translating and interpreting).

Note: A GPA of 2.75 is required in courses applied to the major.

Additional Information

- **Credit by Exam:** A maximum of 16 units in foreign language studies may be challenged, only 12 of which may be in French.
- **Junior Year in France:** Student planning to apply for admission to the overseas program should consult the department for information.
- **Foreign Language for Advanced Degree Requirements:** Many graduate degree programs require competence in one or more foreign languages, and French is often recommended or required. Students planning advanced degree study in areas having foreign language requirements should give careful consideration to completing two or more years of a foreign language as part of their baccalaureate degree.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Lower Division Courses		
Student must demonstrate competency equivalent to successful completion of the following: ¹		
FREN 1A	Elementary French	
FREN 1B	Elementary French ²	
FREN 2A	Intermediate French ²	
FREN 2B	Intermediate French ²	
Required Upper Division Courses (24 Units)		
<i>Language</i>		
FREN 100	Phonetics and Pronunciation	3
FREN 101	Advanced Grammar	3
FREN 102	Advanced Conversation	3
FREN 103	Advanced Composition	3

Literature

FREN 110	Survey of French Literature	3
FREN 111	Topics in Francophone Literature	3
FREN 170	Seminar Conducted in French	3

Culture

FREN 120	French Civilization ²	3
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Electives (9 Units)

Select three of the following:		9
FREN 104A	French Translation (French-English)	
FREN 104B	French Translation (English-French)	
FREN 107	Business French	
FREN 109	French Language Practice	
FREN 125	Quebec and French North America	
FREN 196	Experimental Offerings in French	

Total Units **33**

¹ There are no specific lower division course requirements. However, students must demonstrate competency equivalent to successful completion of the listed courses before beginning upper division work.

² Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

Note: Students majoring in French are encouraged to minor in another field of their choice.

General Education Requirements¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking	3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms	3
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts	3
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (3 Units)		
C1	Arts	3
C2	Humanities ²	0
C1/C2	Area C Course ²	0
C1/C2	Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ²	0
Area D: The Individual and Society (9 Units)		
Area D Course		3
Area D Course		3
Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)		

Area F Course	3
Total Units	40

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (9 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI)		3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (6 Units)		
English Composition II		3
Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)		3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ^{2,3}		0

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² Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

³ If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html> (<https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html>)

The following roadmaps are sample planning resources. Please consult your academic advisor and Academic Catalog for graduation requirements as you develop your individualized academic plan.

French, BA: 4-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
FREN 2A	Intermediate French	4
WLL 21	First Year Seminar: Becoming an Educated Person	3
GE Area 1A - English Composition ²		3
GE Area 1C - Oral Communication ²		3
GE Area 3B - Humanities ²		3
Units		16

Second Semester		
FREN 2B	Intermediate French	4
GE Area 1B - Critical Thinking ²		3
GE Area 2 - Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
GE Area 5A - Physical Science ²		3
GE Area 5C - Laboratory ²		1
Units		14

Year 2		
First Semester		
FREN 100	Phonetics and Pronunciation	3
ENGL 20	College Composition II	3
GE Area 3A - Arts ²		3
GE Area 6 - Ethnic Studies ²		3
GR American Institutions (GOVT) ²		3
Units		15

Second Semester		
FREN 101	Advanced Grammar	3
GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²		3
GE Area 5B - Biological Science ²		3
GR American Institutions (US History) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15

Year 3		
First Semester		
FREN 102	Advanced Conversation	3
FREN 110	Survey of French Literature	3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
Writing Intensive ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15

Second Semester		
FREN 103	Advanced Composition	3
FREN 120	French Civilization	3
ENGL 110A	Linguistics and the English Language	3
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15

Year 4		
First Semester		
FREN 111	Topics in Francophone Literature	3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
Elective of Choice		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15

Second Semester		
FREN 170	Seminar Conducted in French	3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
Elective of Choice		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Total Units		120

French, BA: 2-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
FREN 100	Phonetics and Pronunciation	3

FREN 101	Advanced Grammar	3
FREN 102	Advanced Conversation	3
FREN 110	Survey of French Literature	3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
FREN 103	Advanced Composition	3
FREN 120	French Civilization	3
ENGL 110A	Linguistics and the English Language	3
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences + American Institutions (GOVT) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Year 2		
First Semester		
FREN 111	Topics in Francophone Literature	3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
Writing Intensive ²		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
FREN 170	Seminar Conducted in French	3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
FREN Upper Division Elective ³		3
GR American Institutions (US History) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Total Units		60

¹. Any course not completed in the first semester should be taken in the second or a later semester.

². Please see General Education/Graduation Requirement **course options** (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

³. Please see an academic advisor for elective options.