

FRENCH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

College of Arts and Humanities
3106 Jiménez Hall
Phone: 301-405-4025
<http://sllic.umd.edu/french/>

The Department of French and Italian offers French language instruction at the elementary and intermediate levels, as well as advanced courses in Francophone and French literature, linguistics, cultures, cinemas, societies, and professional skills. Programs offered by the department include a Bachelor of Arts in French language and literature, a Master of Arts in French Studies, and a Ph.D. in Modern French Studies. Faculty expertise encompasses many fields across the Francophone world from the Renaissance to the present. Students are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the study abroad programs in Montpellier (short summer program) and Aix-en-Provence (semester or year-long program), taught and administered by the department's faculty. The department sponsors activities during annual events such as National French Week and le mois de la Francophonie, as well as activities throughout the year in partnership with several student-led French organizations and the French Cluster of the Language House.

PROGRAMS

Major

- French Language and Literature Major (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/french-language-literature/french-major/>)

Minor

- French Studies Minor (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/french-language-literature/french-studies-minor/>)

ADVISING

Advisor: Dr. Hannah Wegmann, hwegmann@umd.edu

To review the academic plan for this major, go to <http://arhu.umd.edu/academicsadvising/academic-plans/>.

OPPORTUNITIES

Scholarships and Financial Assistance

The Office of Student Financial Aid (OSFA) administers a variety of federal, state, and institutional financial assistance programs, and, in cooperation with other university offices, participates in the awarding of scholarships to deserving students. For information, visit: <http://financialaid.umd.edu> (<http://financialaid.umd.edu/>).

Study Abroad

The Maryland-in-Aix program allows Maryland students to spend a semester or year in Aix-in-Provence, combining rigorous academic coursework in French, direct enrollment in French university courses, and an immersive living-abroad experience in a metropolitan French city. Depending on placement, students studying for a semester in the

program Maryland-in-Aix may earn up to 16 credits toward the completion of the major; students studying in Aix-in-Provence for the academic year may earn up to 30 credits. The department also administers a three-week intensive course in Montpellier (France). For information on study abroad programs, please see the program advisor and/or the Education Abroad website: <http://globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/education-abroad/>.

Language House

The French Cluster at the Language House Immersion Program is a living-learning community that promotes language learning and cultural competency through casual daily communication in French. Guided by a native speaker of French, students make a commitment to speak only in French with their housemates and participate in diverse creative activities. For information on the Language House Immersion Program, please see the program website: <http://sllic.umd.edu/language-house/>.

Language Partner Program

SLLC-ISSS Language Partner Program (LPP) offers majors in any SLLC program at UMD the opportunity to meet with international students outside the classroom and practice their target language in an informal yet structured way. Language Partners (LPPs) meet on a regular basis at least once a week for one hour of conversation. For information on the Language Partner Program, please see the program website: <http://globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/international-students-scholar-services/sllc-issss-ea-language-partner-program/>.

Honors Program

For information, see: <http://sllic.umd.edu/fields/french/undergraduate/>.

Undergraduate Research Experiences

The School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures has implemented an Annual SLLC Undergraduate Research Forum which allows its outstanding Juniors and/or Seniors to display their research projects. The Forum takes place in late April in the Language House (St. Mary's).

Awards and Recognition

The UG Committee organizes an annual awards ceremony to celebrate SLLC students who have earned SLLC, campus and/or national scholarships, and academic achievement awards. The awards ceremony takes place in conjunction with the annual SLLC UG Research Forum.

Internships

Each fall semester, SLLC organizes a Language Career and Internship Fair in conjunction with the UMD Career Center. For more information, see the SLLC website: <http://sllic.umd.edu> (<http://sllic.umd.edu/>).