

Spoken by more 200 million people on five continents, French is a globally important language of trade, culture and political systems and it is the second most commonly taught language in the world. French students at W&J learn the skills necessary to communicate in culturally appropriate ways with French speakers of diverse francophone communities. Courses range from beginning language to advanced topical seminars and immerse students in discovering "la francophonie."

Major Requirements

- FRN 309 Advanced French I
- FRN 310 Advanced French II
- in addition to three 400-level seminars and one elective at the 300-level or above,
- in addition to completing a minimum of one semester of study at a partner program in France or Québec,
- in addition to a capstone project.

Capstone project options include either an extended research paper associated with a 400-level seminar, or an oral presentation consisting of an inter-cultural analysis stemming from the study abroad experience or an electronic portfolio documenting achievement in the five national standards of Cultures, Communications, Communities, Comparisons, and Connections.

Minor Requirements

Students who begin in FRN 207 will take five classes, including: FRN 207, FRN 208, FRN 309, FRN 310, and one 400-level course.

Students who begin in FRN 208 will take five classes, including: FRN 208, FRN 309, FRN 310, one 400-level course, and another 400-level course (or a 300-level course, if offered, other than FRN 309 and FRN 310).



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Beyond the Classroom

Students have many opportunities for research, internships, conferences, and networking beyond the classroom that give them an advantage to prepare for life after W&J.

Research and Internships

- Semester to year-long programs are offered at CIEE-Rennes, Sciences Po-Aix, and the Université du Québec à Trois Rivières
- Summer Magellan projects and study abroad in French-speaking countries
- JayTerm travel courses in January or May

Careers

- Teacher Certification in French
- Journalism
- Diplomacy
- International law
- Government
- Banking
- Patent law
- Translation

Alumni Achievements

- Translation Project Coordinator at Trustpoint One
- Doctoral student in French language and literature at Brown University
- 3-2 Engineering, Columbia University
- Security Studies, University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs

