

BA IN FRENCH



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Program Suspension Proposal

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Provide reasons for the program suspension.

Two thirds of the French faculty retired and student enrollment no longer supports offering classes needed for the French BA program. We are proposing to suspend the BA in French with hopes that outreach and recruitment will permit reinstatement when the academic budget and general economy improves.

Indicate any programmatic or fiscal impact suspension of the program will have on other academic units' programs.

None

Describe the consultation that has occurred with affected units.

As no other academic units should be affected, no consultation has occurred.

Explain provisions to ensure currently enrollment students have a reasonable opportunity to complete the program.

We are working with current French BA students to complete their required courses through CSU Online and CSU Concurrent Enrollment programs.

Indicate what resources will be freed up or shifted to other programs as the result of the program suspension.

Currently, the French BA program does not have any resources to be freed up or shifted. Most UD courses have not been scheduled for several years.

Academic Group: (College)

Arts & Letters

Academic Organization: (Department)

World Languages & Literatures

Catalog Year Effective:

2026-2027 Catalog

Type of Program:

Major

Title of the Program:

BA in French

Catalog Description:

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.

Admission Requirements: Course prerequisites and other criteria for admission of students to the degree major program, and for their continuation in it.

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: (If new courses are being created as part of a new program, it will be useful to propose courses first.)

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
<i>Literature</i>		
FREN 110	Survey of French Literature	3
FREN 111	Topics in Francophone Literature	3
FREN 170	Seminar Conducted in French	3
<i>Culture</i>		
FREN 120	French Civilization ²	3
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 Requirements ¹

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

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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>)

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