

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Department of Modern & Classical Languages & Literatures
Departmental Requirements Checksheet
Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages (BAFL)
FRENCH MAJOR
For Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2020

Requires 33 semester hours of coursework at the 3000-level and above, distributed as follows:

All of the following (18 credit hours):

- FR 3105 _____ (3 cr) Grammar, Composition, and Conversation (prerequisite 2106, 2164 or equivalent)
FR 3106 _____ (3 cr) Grammar, Composition, and Conversation (prerequisite 2106, 2164 or equivalent)
FR 3126 _____ (3 cr) French for Oral Proficiency (prerequisite 3106, and usually 3125)¹
FR 3304 _____ (3 cr) Introduction to French Literature (prerequisite 3105)
FR 3314 _____ (3 cr) Introduction to Francophone Studies (prerequisite 3304)
FR 4154 _____ (3 cr) Advanced Composition and Stylistics (prerequisite 3106 or equivalent)

Three of the following (9 credit hours):

- FR 3164 _____ (3 cr) Advanced French for Business (prerequisite 3106 or equivalent)
FR 3205 _____ (3 cr) French Culture and Civilization (prerequisite 3106)
FR 3206 _____ (3 cr) French Culture and Civilization (prerequisite 3106)
FR 3305 _____ (3 cr) Survey of French Literature – I (prerequisite 3304)
FR 3306 _____ (3 cr) Survey of French Literature – II (prerequisite 3304)
FR 3424 _____ (3 cr) French Culture from Middle Ages to Renaissance (prerequisite 3304)
FR 3434 _____ (3 cr) French Culture from Baroque to Revolution (prerequisite 3304)
FR 3444 _____ (3 cr) French Culture from Romanticism to Belle Époque (prerequisite 3304)
FR 3454 _____ (3 cr) French Culture from World Wars to Global Present (prerequisite 3304)

Two of the following (6 credit hours)²

- FR 4314² _____ (3 cr; may be taken twice for 6 cr) Studies in French Literature (prerequisites 3304 plus any 32xx, 33xx or 34xx course)
FR 4324² _____ (3 cr; may be taken twice for 6 cr) Studies in French Life, Literature, and Language (prerequisites 3304 plus any 32xx, 33xx or 34xx course)
FR 4164 _____ (3 cr) Special Topics in Business French (prerequisites 3304 plus any 32xx, 33xx or 34xx course)

GRAND TOTAL _____ credits

Please note:

- Students must have a 2.0 in-major GPA in French and earn a C or better in each course for it to count towards the major.
- AP exam credit and IB diploma credit are usually awarded automatically by the Office of the University Registrar. Depending on your score, those credits may possibly be used to satisfy certain requirements for the major. Please see your French advisor as soon as possible to inquire about those substitutions.
- French courses (e.g. 32xx, 34xx) may also be used to meet Area 2 requirements. See the current Curriculum for Liberal Education Guide.
- All French courses count in the calculation of the in-major GPA except: 1000 and 2000-level French courses, FR 3404 (ENG 3404), FR 4964, FR 4994.

¹ 3125 is usually a prerequisite for 3126. For most students, the hours earned in 3125 will be in addition to the minimum of 33 credits required for the major. Based on oral interviews, students may place into 3125 or 3126, or out of 3126. Students who place out of 3126 may need to substitute for that course by taking an additional 3-credit course at the 3000 or 4000 level.

² 4314 and 4324 are variable-content, three-credit courses which may be repeated.

Curriculum for Liberal Education

1. Writing & Discourse :

ENGL 1105 and 1106 or ENGL H 1204 or
Advanced Placement, or other.

_____ (3 cr)

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2. Ideas, Cultural Traditions, & Values:

6 cr. from the University-approved list (may be
French courses, or from other disciplines).

_____ (3 cr)

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3. Society & Human Behavior:

6 cr. from the University-approved list.

_____ (3 cr)

_____ (3 cr)

4. Scientific Reasoning & Discovery:

6 cr from the University-approved list.

_____ (3 cr) _____ (3 cr)

5. Quantitative & Symbolic Reasoning:

6 cr. from the University-approved list.

_____ (3 cr) _____ (3 cr)

6. Creativity & Aesthetic Experience:

3 cr. from the University-approved list.

_____ (3 cr)

7. Critical Issues in a Global Context:

3 cr. from the University-approved list. May also
satisfy other requirements.

_____ (3 cr)

TOTAL CREDITS required for graduation: 120

GRAND TOTAL _____

Additional Graduation Requirements:

_____ RLCL 1004 Investigations in Religion and Culture (3 cr.) – required unless another FYE course is completed for a second major.

- An overall GPA requirement to graduate is 2.0.
- As a major in French, you will have completed the Foreign Language (FL) requirement at Virginia Tech:
 - Students who completed 3 years of a single foreign language in high school have completed the requirement.
 - Students who did not complete 3 years of a single foreign language in high school may complete the requirement as follows:
 - Complete 2 years of a single language in high school plus 1106 or equivalent in college (these 3 hours count toward the 120 required for graduation) OR
 - Complete 1105-1106 or equivalent in college (these 6 hours do not count toward the 120 required for graduation)

Additional Information on Requirements:

- Courses used to fulfill major, minor or Curriculum for Liberal Education requirements may not be taken Pass/Fail (exception: 3125 and 3126)
- Courses taken in a major or minor may count toward meeting the Curriculum for Liberal Education.
- Courses can count in only one area of the Curriculum for Liberal Education. For example, TA 2014 may only count as credit in either Area 2 OR Area 6. The exception to this rule is Area 7, where a course in this area MAY count in another area. See Curriculum for Liberal Education for specifics.

Transfer Credit:

- Students may transfer no more than 18 of the last 45 cr. of coursework. Study Abroad falls under this rule if it is not VT credit.
- A form for "Authorization to Take Courses Elsewhere" must be filled out and signed by the student, the departmental representative, and the Director of the Office of Education Abroad before the student departs on the study abroad program.
- Those who are transferring to Virginia Tech from a two-year school must complete at least 50% of the required graduation cr. at Virginia Tech.

Satisfactory Progress toward Degree:

FR 3105, FR 3106, and FR 3304 will need to be completed satisfactorily (with a C or better in each required course in the major) by the time a student majoring in French has completed 72 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, credit by examination, and course withdrawal).