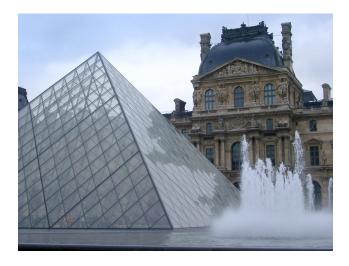
French



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What Can You Do with a Degree in French?

Recent French majors and minors have gone on to careers across the globe in a number of fields, including economics, politics, law, journalism, publishing, education, business, government and international relations. Many have also enrolled in a variety of graduate programs at world-class institutions. These are just a few of the exciting careers our recent graduates are pursuing:

- Study economics at Université de Paris-Dauphine
- Study law at Georgetown and UVA
- Study theology at Yale Divinity School
- Study conflict resolution at the London School of Economics
- Study International Public Health at Yale University
- Study French Language and Culture at NYU in Paris
- Study Art History at CUNY
- Join Teach for America
- Work at the State Department

(Sources: Education Office of the French Cultural Services and The World Speaks French)

French Literature and Culture Courses

Here are some of the upper-level courses we have offered in recent years:

- Marriage and Adultery in French Literature
- Devenir français à la Renaissance
- Fairy Tales
- Writing Women: Medieval and Early Modern Women Writers
- France/Algeria: Between Two Worlds
- Medieval and Early Modern Literature : Blood, Love, and War
- From Page to Screen: French Novels and Their Adaptations
- Writing the City: Paris and the Nineteenth Century
- Mothers and Daughters, Fathers and Sons
- Representation of Revolutions, Revolutions of Representations
- Virtue and Vice in Nineteenth-Century French Literature
- La Francophonie: Le Maghreb d'aujourd'hui
- Contemporary France
- Business French

For more details on the French program and on the major and minor in French check out our website:

http://www.gwu.edu/~rgsll/french/index.html

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WHY STUDY FRENCH?

Be Understood by 200 Million People

- 200 million people in 55 countries currently use French in business, education, and daily life
- 32 countries recognize French as an official language
- French is growing: The International Organization of Francophonie estimates that there could be 700 million French speakers by 2050

Make the Most of Your Student Performance

- Learning a foreign language like French develops critical and analytical skills.
- 50% of English vocabulary comes from French. Learning French will help you on standardized tests such as the GRE, LSAT, and GMAT.

Access International Organizations

- French is an official language of:
 - o The United Nations
 - o NATO
 - o The European Union
 - Doctors Without Borders
 - o The International Red Cross
 - The International Olympic Committee

Compete in the Global Market

- Applicants who are proficient in two languages have a significant advantage in the global market.
- French is instrumental in many domestic and international careers in business, medicine, aviation, law, transportation,

- technology, international affairs, luxury goods, and banking.
- France is a leader in civil engineering, space and aeronautics, medical technologies, scientific research, information technology, telecommunications and computer animation
- Scores of major international businesses and organizations, as well as American companies, recruit candidates who know French

Travel and Become a Global Citizen

- Speaking French enhances communication in travel and work abroad
- France is the number one tourist destination in the world
- French language is also vital in Canada, the Caribbean, Europe, Southeast Asia, West and Central Africa, and North Africa

Open doors to Art, Sports, Music, Philosophy, Architecture, Literature, Cinema, Food and Fashion

- Enjoy great works of French literature, Quebecois music, or African Art.
- French is the language of the French Open, the Tour de France, the Cannes Film Festival, and Paris Fashion Week
- It is the language of great writers, artists, philosophers, and political voices, including: Montaigne, Descartes, Voltaire, Rousseau, Camus, De Beauvoir, Sartre, Derrida, and Djebar.

Major or Minor in French at GW

French Major

-- *The B.A degree* requires <u>10</u> French courses beginning at French 2006 (Language, Culture, and Society II) or above, and includes a capstone experience in the senior year.

The *major in French* will give you a solid background in French language, literature, and culture that could lead to a rewarding career in international affairs, business, government, or teaching, and to studies at the graduate level in a variety of fields.

A *double-major in French and another field* is highly impressive and will give you a competitive edge over other students as you enter the workforce.

French Minor

-- The *minor in French* requires only 7 French courses beginning at level 2005 or above.

The *minor in French* will demonstrate your competence in a foreign language and culture, which is vital to employment in today's global economy.

Awards and Honors

The Goddard prize in French is awarded to a graduating major who has shown outstanding academic achievement in French literature and culture. Senior majors may also be invited to compete for Special Honors in French.