The Ohio State University Center for Languages, Literatures and Cultures (CLLC) brings students together with scholars and experts from across the university and around the world to increase our understanding of diverse cultures, expand our competence in foreign languages, and investigate the impact and creative potential of established and emerging media technologies.

AT A GLANCE

CLLC connects undergraduate language majors to research and educational opportunities in the professions

CLLC houses the Advanced Language Institute, which provides language- and discipline-specific professional training for advanced language students with majors in various fields

CLLC facilitates opportunities for graduate students across departments for interdisciplinary research and outreach projects.

CLLC serves as a conduit for collaborative research opportunities between language pedagogy, linguistic, literary, and cultural studies scholars and units across campus

CLLC facilitates pathways to OSU for second language and heritage language students in secondary schools and community colleges in Columbus and the State of Ohio through curricular articulation and early engagement (e.g., The Collaborative Articulation and Assessment Project)

THE SPACE: A NEW DIGITAL COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM

From its design to the selection of furniture and technology, The Space is designed to encourage and facilitate collaborative learning between and among language and culture students. The Space offers five state-of-the-art collaborative learning pods for 2-6 students with a capacity of 30. The room’s speaker system allows for high quality HDMI film viewing, and a portable SMART-like Technology Board (ENO Board) that can be controlled by the instructor or the students. PC laptops are available for each student.

Leveraging the power of language.
FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS

THE WORLD MEDIA AND CULTURE CENTER

is a facility that integrates international satellite television, radio, print media, the Internet, and multimedia instructional materials into the traditional classroom environment. Includes:

- The Hall Videoconferencing Center
- 13 Multimedia Classrooms
- Experimental Classroom
- Foreign Language Hypermedia Studio
- HIS Studios – IT development
- Crane Café
- SBC Individualized Language Learning Center

FOREIGN LANGUAGE OHIO RESOURCE CENTER

provides lessons, tests, and resources that make the Ohio Foreign Language Standards accessible to Ohio's language classrooms and helps students become proficient in a language.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS CENTER

is a not-for-profit publisher, distributor, and retailer of foreign language materials for students and instructors.

COLLECTIVE ARTICULATION AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (CAAP)

provides early assessment to high school juniors in Ohio in four languages: Chinese, French, German, and Spanish. It also provides varied professional development opportunities for language instructors.

DISTANCE LEARNING

CLLC plays a major role in coordinating distance learning opportunities for all foreign language units through its dedicated staff and its videoconferencing facilities.

CLLC offers a dedicated technology staff for classroom technology integration, multimedia projects and distance learning opportunities.

OUTREACH

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CLLC facilitates ongoing interactions with heritage language communities in the Columbus area and throughout the State of Ohio to enhance and sustain service learning endeavors for the departments of the FL consortium.

Career opportunities for students who know a foreign language are much better than for those who do not — in the fields of business, energy and sustainability, development, diplomacy, intelligence, national security, food security and production, pharmaceuticals, medicine — virtually every field of work.

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