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The basic requirements for the French minor are French 3101 and three additional courses taught in French at the 3000-level or above, at least one of which must be at the 4000-level or above (the prerequisites for 3101 are 1101, 1102, 1103, and 2101). The minor thus consists of 12 credit hours, no more than half of which may be examination (EM) and/or transfer (K) credit.

Below are some suggestions for course combinations that may interest students with particular career or personal goals. For example, the culture/film option may appeal especially to International Studies majors, whereas the literature option may be a good choice for students who plan to specialize in literary studies in graduate school. The French for the professions option allows students with an interest in business, government, or NGOs to develop a background in French society and professional practices. Future teachers will find the culture/film or language/literatures option particularly useful to their career goals. Finally, the Francophone minor allows students to focus on the cultures and literatures of French-speaking countries outside of France.

Students interested in a minor in French are asked to contact the Department’s minor adviser, Dr. Gloria Torrini-Roblin, to discuss their career and personal goals and the minor option that best suits these goals. Students should then file the Minor form with a college/school adviser.

Students minoring in French are encouraged to study abroad in one of our several French-speaking programs. Please visit the Office of International Affairs’ website for detailed information on our programs. Course credits at the 3000-level or above earned in study abroad programs may be applied toward the minor. Contact Prof. Diane Birkbichler birkbichler.1@osu.edu, our Study Abroad Advisor, for more information.

Please note that:
- Prerequisite courses for all options are French 1101, 1102, 1103, and 2101 (classroom or individualized).
- 3101 is required for all minors and is counted toward the 12 credit hours. Courses taught in English may not be counted toward the minor.

Culture/film option (12 credit hours)
Required: French 3101; one of the following: 3401, 3402; and one of the following: 3201, 3202, 3403, 3701; and one of the following: 5401, 5402, 5701

French for professions option (12 credit hours)
Required: French 3101, 3501, 4501; and one of the following: 5401 or 5402

French studies option (12 credit hours)
Required: French 3101 and one of the following: 3201, 3202, 3401, 3402, 3403; and one of the following: 5201, 5202, 5203, 5204, 5205, 5206, 5207, 5403; and 3 additional hours of your choice at the 3000-level or above.

Language/Linguistics option (12 credit hours)
Required: French 3101; and two of the following: 3102, 3103, 3401, 3402; and one of the following: 5101, 5102, or 5103 (for which 5101 is a prerequisite).

Literature option (12 credit hours)
Required: 3101, 3201, 3202; and one of the following: 5201, 5202, 5203, 5204, 5205, 5206, 5207, 5403

Francophone Studies option (12 credit hours)
Required: 3101, 3202, 3402; and one of the following: 5205, 5206, 5207.

French minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern this minor.

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 12. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. All courses will be at the 3000-level or above, at least one of which must be at the 4000-level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s):
- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required
- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours

Approval required Approval required by the department’s minor advisor, Dr. Gloria Torrini-Roblin

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor, but preferably much earlier.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the department’s minor advisor, Dr. Gloria Torrini-Roblin.