***CERTIFICATE***

# CORE COMPETENCIES IN FRENCH LANGUAGE & CULTURE CERTIFICATE

***** 16-17 credits *****

WSU's Core Competencies in French Language & Culture certificate program encompasses the study of the French language and culture from novice to low-intermediate levels. It acknowledges that students have mastered the fundamentals of the French language and cultures. It also provides a credential to future employers or academic institutions they have engaged meaningfully in the study of an important global culture.

The certificate program can be a stand alone option or allow students to enter a French minor or major degree program at WSU. It is ideal for individuals who wish to gain insight into the French language and culture or engage in areas related to France or the Francophone world.

## REQUIRED COURSES • ***16/17 credits in French designated courses*:

| Course | Credits | Description | COURSE PRE REQ | Sem/Yr | Grade |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **French 101** | 4 | First Semester | None | | |
| **French 102** | 4 | Second Semester | Fren 101 | | |
| **French 203** | 3 | Third Semester | Fren 102 | | |
| **French 204** | 3 | Fourth Semester | Fren 203 | | |
| **One additional French Course from this list:** | 3 | *French 110 (HUM)-Fren/Francophone Film*<br>*Fren 120 (HUM)-Fren Culture*<br>*Fren 321 – L'Art de Vivre in Paris/Summer*<br>*Fren 410 (CAPS)-Fren Film in Translation*<br>*Fren 420 (CAPS)-Fren Culture - Wine* | Varies | | |

*** If a student transfers in 101 and 102 from another institution, only 102 will count toward the certificate. The student will be required to take 203, 204, and TWO additional courses from the list above), totaling 16 credits.*

## ***PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING OVERALLCERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS***

https://catalog.wsu.edu/Pullman/Academics/Minor/3520

1. To fulfill requirements for the certificate, a student must complete a minimum of 16/17 credits of course work in one language area.
2. No more than 4 credits earned at other institutions may apply towards the certificate and no more than 4 hours may be pass/fail. Courses earned at another institution or by AP credit will be determined by the SLCR regarding course equivalencies and allowance in the certificate. All courses must be earned with a grade of C or better or a Satisfactory with 73% or above.
3. If a student transfers 101 and 102 from another institution, only 102 will count toward the certificate in French. The student will be required to take 203, 204, and TWO additional courses from the list above (in addition to 102) totaling 16 credits.
4. The University undergraduate certificate fee will apply.
5. 105, 205, 305, 405 Conversation Courses - do not count towards the minor.
6. For courses taken in Study Abroad Programs or as other transfer credits, please check with the Foreign Languages advisor.


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## LEARNING OUTCOMES

**1. Communicative Proficiency:**
Students will communicate in basic foreign language skills. Students will use elementary structures and vocabulary to discuss such things as daily activities, greetings, routines and habits, family, and personal interests. Students will have the skills necessary to carry on very elementary conversations in their language(s) of study.

**2. Analytical Ability:**
Students will create basic original thoughts in their language(s) of study. Students will gain knowledge of the structure of the language(s) and will therefore be able to use the vocabulary learned to form new thoughts and basic sentences. This ability will grow as students become more and more familiar with the structure of the language(s) of study.

**3. Cultural Understanding and Acquisition of Knowledge:**
Students will gain a greater understanding of and appreciation for cultures in which the language(s) of study are spoken, particularly in terms of geography, demography, and the vast differences between the target culture(s) and U.S. culture. Students will begin to think critically about the influence of other cultures on North American society as well as the global and personal connections made by learning about other cultures and peoples.

## FRENCH PROGRAM WEBSITE

https://slcr.wsu.edu/french/
Visit the French Program website for more detailed information on Degree Options, Careers in French Studies, Internships, Study Abroad Programs (including the faculty-led Study Abroad program I Paris), and French Program faculty.

## DEPARTMENTAL AP CREDIT

Starting in a course higher than 101 for your first language class at WSU? You may be eligible for departmental advanced placement credit. Check out the Departmental Advanced Placement Credits, and see the Languages advisor for details: https://slcr.wsu.edu/advanced-placement/

## LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM

Do you have prior language expertise, and not sure which level language class you should take?
View the Foreign Language Placement Testing details at: https://slcr.wsu.edu/placement-testing/

## STUDY ABROAD & INTERNSHIPS ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!

- **Education abroad:** https://slcr.wsu.edu/study-abroad/; ask the School of Languages, Cultures, and Race Languages advisor for additional information and assistance.
- **Information on internships:** https://slcr.wsu.edu/internships-and-research/;


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