

French, BA

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the university's Four-Year Graduation Plan.

Before the third semester begins: competence in first-year French.

Before the fifth semester begins: second-year French (FREN:2002 Intermediate French II).

Before the seventh semester begins: three of the four requirements for the major, FREN:3007 French Phonetics or FREN:3020 Oral Expression in French I, FREN:3060 Introduction to Reading and Writing in Literature, FREN:3300 French Grammar, one or two other courses in the major, and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

Before the eighth semester begins: FREN:4020 Oral Expression in French II and three more courses in the major; for the French language track, FREN:3410 Business French and FREN:4007 Topics in French Linguistics.

During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plans of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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French and Arabic Track

Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a		
Hours		0
First Year		
Fall		
FREN:1001	Elementary French I ^{b, c}	5
ENGL:1200 or RHET:1030	The Interpretation of Literature or Rhetoric	3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture ^d		3
Elective course ^e		2
CSI:1600	Success at Iowa	2
Hours		15-16
Spring		
FREN:1002	Elementary French II ^{b, c}	5
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200	Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature	3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion ^d		3

GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives ^d		3
Elective course ^e		1
Hours		15-16

Second Year

Fall		
ARAB:1001	Elementary Modern Standard Arabic I ^f	5
FREN:2001	Intermediate French I ^{b, c}	5
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^g		3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^d		3
Hours		16

Spring

ARAB:1002	Elementary Modern Standard Arabic II ^f	5
FREN:2002	Intermediate French II ^{b, c}	5
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues ^d		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab ^d		4
Hours		17

Third Year

Fall		
FREN:3020 or FREN:3007	Oral Expression in French I or French Phonetics	3
FREN:3060	Introduction to Reading and Writing in Literature	3
FREN:3300	French Grammar	3
Major: Arabic language course (beyond first year) ^g		3 - 5
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab ^d		3
Hours		15-17

Spring

ARAB:2006	Transnational Solidarities ^g	3
FREN:4007 or FREN:4020	Topics in French Linguistics or Oral Expression in French II	3
Major: Arabic language course (beyond first year) ^g		3 - 5
Major: French language, literature, and culture course (taught in French) ^g		3
Elective course ^e		3
Hours		15-17

Fourth Year

Fall		
ARAB:2012	Modern Palestinian Literature and Culture ^g	3
Major: Arabic language course (beyond first year, if needed) or elective course ^{e, g}		3 - 5
Major: French language, literature, and culture course (taught in French, numbered above 4000) ^g		3
Elective course ^e		3
Elective course ^e		3
Hours		15-17

Spring

FREN:4020 or FREN:4007	Oral Expression in French II or Topics in French Linguistics	3
GE: Social Sciences ^d		3
Elective course ^e		3
Elective course ^e		3
Elective course ^e		3

Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)

Hours	15
Total Hours	123-131

- a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Culture.
- b FREN:1001, FREN:1002, FREN:2001, and FREN:2002 do not count for credit toward the major. Language level placement will be determined by placement exam score and/or oral interview. Students who place into the 5th semester level of the language will begin major level coursework and not be required to take semesters 1-4 of the language.
- c Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.
- d GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
- e Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
- f ARAB:1001 and ARAB:1002 do not count for credit toward the major.
- g Requirements for the French and Arabic track include six to seven track courses (22 s.h.) in addition to the foundation coursework in French.
- h Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.

Language, Literature, and Culture Track

Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a		
Hours		0
First Year		
Fall		
FREN:1001	Elementary French I ^{b, c}	5
RHET:1030	Rhetoric	3 - 4
	or ENGL:1200 or The Interpretation of Literature	
GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture ^d		3
Elective course ^e		2

CSI:1600	Success at Iowa	2
Hours		15-16
Spring		
FREN:1002	Elementary French II ^{b, c}	5
RHET:1030	Rhetoric	3 - 4
	or ENGL:1200 or The Interpretation of Literature	
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion ^d		3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives ^d		3
Elective course ^e		1
Hours		15-16
Second Year		
Fall		
FREN:2001	Intermediate French I ^{b, c}	5
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^d		3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^d		3
Elective course ^e		3
Elective course ^e		1
Hours		15
Spring		
FREN:2002	Intermediate French II ^{b, c}	5
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues ^d		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab ^d		4
Elective course ^e		3
Hours		15
Third Year		
Fall		
FREN:3020	Oral Expression in French I	3
	or FREN:3007 or French Phonetics	
FREN:3060	Introduction to Reading and Writing in Literature	3
FREN:3300	French Grammar	3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab ^d		3
Elective course ^e		3
Hours		15
Spring		
FREN:4020	Oral Expression in French II	3
	or FREN:4007 or Topics in French Linguistics	
Major: language, literature, and culture track course ^f		3 - 4
Major: language, literature, and culture track course ^f		3 - 4
Elective course ^e		3
Elective course ^e		3
Hours		15-17
Fourth Year		
Fall		
Major: language, literature, and culture track course (numbered above 4000) ^f		3 - 4
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Major: language, literature, and culture track course ^f		3 - 4
GE: Social Sciences ^d		3
Elective course ^e		3
Hours		15-18

Spring

FREN:4020	Oral Expression in French II	3
or FREN:4007	or Topics in French Linguistics	
Major: language, literature, and culture track course (numbered above 4000) ^f		3 - 4
Elective course ^e		3
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Elective course ^e		3
Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall) ^g		
Hours		15-16
Total Hours		120-128

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- d GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
- e Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
- f Requirements for the language, literature, and culture track include six courses (typically 18 s.h.), at least two of which must be numbered above 4000, in addition to the foundation coursework in French. Only one of the track courses may be taught in English under the French department (prefix FREN); this restriction does not apply to courses taught in English with an additional semester in French.
- g Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.