French, BA

Learning Outcomes

At the time of graduation, majors will have reached the equivalent of the intermediate high/advanced low level on the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) scale in the four areas of speaking, listening, reading, and writing with a special emphasis on language, literature, and culture, or French and Arabic, depending on their track.

French majors will be able to:

- interact orally and in writing at a level sufficient for effective communication on a wide range of topics with French-speaking interlocutors from the Francophone world and across cultures;
- analyze, synthesize, engage critically, and effectively present written information and argumentation on what is heard, read, or viewed in the literatures and cultures of the Francophone world—France, North- and sub-Saharan Africa, the Indian Ocean, the Caribbean, and the Frenchspeaking communities of North America; and
- gain knowledge of the various Francophone cultures of the world, and reflect upon and deal appropriately with their linguistic, cultural, and artistic history and diversity.