Languages, Linguistics, Literatures, and Cultures

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• Jill Beckman

Undergraduate majors: Asian Languages and Literature, BA; French, BA; German, BA; International Studies, BA; Italian, BA; Linguistics, BA; Russian, BA; Translation, BA

Undergraduate minors: American Sign Language; Arabic Studies; Asian Languages and Literature; French; German; International Studies; Italian; Korean Studies; Linguistics; Russian; Translation for Global Literacy

Graduate degrees: French and Francophone World Studies, MA; French and Francophone World Studies, PhD; Linguistics, MA; Linguistics, PhD; Literary Translation, MFA

Graduate certificate: Literary Translation

Facilities

The Center for Language and Culture Learning provides a wide variety of facilities and services, including a 24-computer Instructional Technology Center (ITC), five All-In-One Studios/small group study rooms equipped with video production and editing software, a Computer Assisted Language Learning Lab with 25 computers integrated with Sanako software for language practice, and virtual reality hardware and development space.

The center provides spaces for quiet study as well as for group meetings. Departments, programs, and student organizations are welcome to host conversation hours, film nights, study groups, workshops, and more. Peer education services include peer tutoring programs in many of the languages taught at the university with both in-person and online availability, as well as Independent Language Study, through which faculty, staff, or students can be paired with a tutor to learn a language not taught at UI. Tutors are trained to use the Three Ms for Effective Learning, which include developing a growth mindset, using memory strategies to retain knowledge, and reflecting on learning gains.