

FRENCH, LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (MA)

Master of Arts in French, Language and Literature (FRENMA)

Unit: College of Arts and Sciences (<http://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/intro>) (GA)

Department: Classical and Modern Languages (<http://louisville.edu/modernlanguages>)

Program Webpage (<https://louisville.edu/french>)

Program Information

The MA program in French, Language and Literature is not currently accepting applications for admission.

The mission of the Master of Arts in French, Language and Literature is to provide students who would like to explore professional opportunities in teaching, translation, international affairs, etc. or pursue their studies at the doctoral level, with an in-depth knowledge of the French language and the cultures of the French-speaking world, as part of a multidisciplinary approach to French Studies grounded in literature, linguistics, cultural studies and media studies.

Program Information

The Master of Arts in French Language and Literature requires 30 credit hours of academic work at the graduate level.

- Students must consult with the Director of Graduate Studies in French to take courses in place of the required courses listed below.
- Students must complete a minimum of 24 credit hours at the University of Louisville.
- As part of their graduate program, students are expected to spend at least one month in a French-speaking country, which they traditionally do during the summer between their first and second years. Modern Language Fund grants are available to assist students with the cost of their in-country study or work experience. Students can fulfill the requirement by participating in the long-standing summer Work-Exchange Program the University of Louisville has with our sister city of Montpellier, France. After consultation with the Director of Graduate Studies in French, it may be possible to find an appropriate substitution for this requirement.

Admission Procedures

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The MA in French, Language and Literature offers a thesis and a non-thesis option. All students are required to take FREN 611 and FREN 699; it is recommended that students take FREN 611 during their first semester in the program and FREN 699 during their last semester in the program.

Students who choose the thesis option will be required to take complete a minimum of six courses selected from the rubrics below and three to six (3-6) credit hours of thesis credit (FREN 690). At least one course must be taken from each of the rubrics. Students who choose the non-thesis option will take a minimum of eight courses with at least one

course from each of the rubrics below. Students must earn a minimum of 30 credit hours to complete the degree.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
FREN 611	Teaching and Research Methods in French	3
FREN 699	Final Research Project	3
Language Skills		3
Linguistics		3
Culture		3
Media		3
Literature		3
Thesis hours and/or elective hours chosen from rubrics below ¹		9
Minimum Total Hours		30

Rubrics

Code	Title	Hours
Language Skills		
FREN 523	Advanced Communication Skills (if appropriate)	
FREN 524	Theory and Practice of Translation	
FREN 600	Advanced French Stylistics	
Approved elective ²		
Linguistics		
FREN 522	French Phonetics and Diction	
FREN 601	Studies in French Linguistics	
Approved elective ²		
Culture		
FREN 531	Special Topics in Literature and Cultural Studies	
FREN 552	French Work: Exchange Research (or alternate work- or study-abroad program as approved by the Director of Graduate Studies in French)	
FREN 602	Studies in French Culture	
Approved elective ²		
Media		
FREN 603	Studies in French Media	
Approved elective ²		
Literature		
FREN 604	Studies in French Literature	
Approved Elective ²		

Students may, with permission of the Director of Graduate Studies in French, supplement their program of study with occasional coursework in disciplines related to their area of French specialization.

¹ Students who select the thesis option will complete three - six (3-6) credit hours of FREN 690 and take one or two additional graduate French courses selected from the rubrics above. Students in the non-thesis option will complete nine (9) additional credit hours of FREN graduate course work selected from the rubrics above.

² FREN 506, FREN 531, FREN 551, FREN 561, FREN 562, FREN 655, FREN 670, and FREN 680 are course numbers used for electives in the French program