



Program Planning Guide

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Calendar Year: 2012/2013

Faculty: Arts & Science

Modern Languages Programs

The Department of Modern Languages offers four majors for the B.A. degree program: French, German, French/German, and French/Spanish. In addition to majors, the Modern Languages Department offers five minors, available for the B.A., B.Sc., or BASc. degree programs: French, German, Japanese, Linguistics, and Spanish. Students may also complete a B.A./B.Ed. Combined Degrees program with a Modern Languages major and a B.A./B.Ed. or B.Sc./B.Ed program with a Modern Languages Education minor. Please refer to the University of Lethbridge Calendar for more information.

Consult With the Department Advisor

Students requiring advice on the majors or minors offered by the Department of Modern Languages are strongly encouraged to consult with the Department Advisor as early as possible in their first two years of study.

Off-Campus Study and Scholarships

Faculty of Arts and Science French/German majors are encouraged to participate in the Department's French Visiting Student Program (FVSP) or the German Visiting Student Program (GVSP). Further information on these programs may be obtained from the French or German Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department. Students may apply for a Summer Language Bursary to study French elsewhere in Canada. Scholarships of interest to students studying off campus include the Louis Sherman Turcotte Memorial Travel Scholarships. French/German majors may also be eligible for the Ruby I. Larson French Language Scholarship. Further information on these awards may be found in the University of Lethbridge Calendar or at the Scholarships and Student Finance Office.

Book Prizes

Each Spring the Swiss and German Embassies provide to the Department of Modern Languages three books (one French and two German) that are traditionally awarded to students performing well in French or German courses. As well, the Department nominates a student for the Jean-Pierre Ascione Book Prize in French Literature. Recipients of the book prizes are normally continuing students either in Modern Languages or Education. No applications are required.

Independent Study Opportunities

Students interested in undertaking an Independent Study in the Department of Modern Languages should consult with an instructor of their choice.

Co-operative Education

A Co-op option, requiring three work terms, is available. Students interested in the Co-operative Education/Internship program should contact the Coordinator of Co-operative Education in the Career Resources Centre (AH154 | phone: 403-382-7154) for further information.

Bachelor of Arts

French/German

Department of Modern Languages Placement Policy**Placement Test**

Students will enrol in courses for which they have the prerequisite listed in the Calendar. However, in order to confirm their enrolment in 1000-level language courses (1000, 1100 or 1500) in French, German, Japanese, or Spanish, students must satisfy the requirements of a compulsory Placement Test. This test is administered at the first class meeting of these courses each semester. For further information on the Placement Test, students should read the Department's Placement Policy, available from the Department Advisor or from the Department Administrative Assistant. Students may also consult with the French, German, Japanese, or Spanish Language Coordinator if they have further questions.

Advanced Standing

As a general rule, the Department of Modern Languages does not permit students to register in courses for which they do not have the prerequisites listed in the Calendar. However, students who think that they have adequate background to do well in a course without the prerequisite may apply to the Department for a waiver of prerequisite.

Advanced Placement Exam

The Advanced Placement Exam is used to assess the knowledge of students who wish to enrol in French, German, Japanese, or Spanish 1100-, 1500- or 2000-level courses without the formal prerequisites. For information on the Advanced Placement Exam, students should read the Department's Placement Policy, available from the Department Advisor or the Department Administrative Assistant. Students may consult with the French, German, Japanese, or Spanish Language Coordinator if they have further questions.

Assessing Preparedness

Students wishing to enrol in a 3000- or 4000-level course without the official prerequisite should have their preparedness for the course assessed through an interview with the course instructor.

Prerequisite Waiver Forms

Application forms for prerequisite waivers may be obtained from the Department Administrative Assistant, from instructors or from the Department Advisor. A waiver of prerequisite is not granted until these forms are signed by both the appropriate instructor and the Department Chair. The signed forms must be presented at the Arts and Science Student Program Services Office (SU060) at the time of registration.

Program Requirements

The B.A. degree with a major in French/German requires 40 semester courses, including a minimum of 16 courses in the major. A maximum of 20 courses in French and a maximum of 20 courses in German is allowed.

Transfer Credit

Remember that you may use both University of Lethbridge credit and credit transferred from another college or university to meet degree and major requirements. Transfer credit may be either specified or unspecified. Specified credit is indicated on your transcript by the subject name and the specific number of the course, e.g., French 1000, German 2300, etc. Unspecified credit (1XXX, 2XXX, etc.) is indicated by the subject name and level of the course in parentheses, e.g., French (1000 level), German (2000 level), etc.

Unspecified Course Credit

Unspecified course credit means that the University of Lethbridge does not offer the same course you transferred in, but we recognize it and treat it as a regular course. An unspecified course would count as one of your maximum of 20 from one department, but it could not meet a specific course requirement. For example, if French 1500 is required in your program, you could not use French (1000 level) to fulfill that requirement. Students with unspecified transfer credit need to consult an Academic Advisor to establish how the transfer credit fits in the degree program. This should be done as soon as possible after transfer credit is awarded.

Program Worksheet

Name: _____ ID: _____

Requires courses:

____ 1-8. Eight courses (24.0 credit hours) in French:

1. _____

5. _____

2. _____

6. _____

3. _____

7. _____

4. _____

8. _____

____ 9-14. Six courses (18.0 credit hours) in German:

1. _____

4. _____

2. _____

5. _____

3. _____

6. _____

____ 15. Linguistics 2300 - Introduction to Linguistics I: Phonetics and Phonology

____ 16. Linguistics 2600 - Introduction to Linguistics II: Morphology, Syntax and Semantics

Five of the above courses (15.0 credit hours) must be at the 3000/4000 level

1. _____

4. _____

2. _____

5. _____

3. _____

Note: Students who have completed French 30 or French 31 (or equivalent) should complete French 1500 and French 2000 in their first year of studies. Students who have completed French Language Arts 30 or Français 30 (or equivalent) should complete French 2001 and a French elective in their first year of studies. Students who have completed none of the previously mentioned courses should begin with French 1000 or 1100 (as indicated by the placement test) and should seek advice on course sequencing from the Department Advisor in Modern Languages.

Students who have completed German 30 or equivalent should begin their studies with German 1500. Students who have not completed German 30 should begin with German 1000 or German 1100 (as indicated by the placement test).

French Visiting Student Program

Students must consult with the French Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department of Modern Languages for complete details, including application and registration procedures and program approval.

German Visiting Student Program

Students must consult with the German Off-Campus Studies Coordinator in the Department of Modern Languages for complete details, including application and registration procedures and program approval.

Sample Sequencing Plan

Shown below is a sample sequence of courses for your degree. If you follow this plan, you should be able to graduate in four years, provided you complete five courses per semester. This is just one example of how you could complete your major and degree requirements; you may find that a different sequence works as well as this one.

Year 1, Fall	Year 1, Spring
French 1500 ¹	French 2000 ¹
German 1000 ²	German 1100 ²
Linguistics 2300	Linguistics 2600
GLER course	GLER course
GLER course	GLER course
Year 2, Fall	Year 2, Spring
French 2300 or French 3450	French 2300 or French 3450
German 1500 ²	German 2000
GLER course	GLER course
GLER course	Elective
GLER course	Elective
Year 3, Fall	Year 3, Spring
French 2200 ³	French 3000 level
German 2000/3000 level	German 3990 (Independent Study) ⁴
Elective 3000/4000 level	Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective
Year 4, Fall	Year 4, Spring
French 3000/4000 level	French 4000 level
Elective 3000/4000 level	Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective	Elective 3000/4000 level
Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective

Terms Used

GLER course: A course that could count toward the General Liberal Education Requirement. You may use courses in your major towards this 12-course requirement. See the 2012/2013 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 4 - Academic Regulations (p. 90) for complete information.

The Faculty of Arts and Science offers Liberal Education 1000 and 2000, specifically designed to introduce first-year students to the wide scope of human knowledge and teach essential university success skills, critical thinking, and integrative thinking (see the 2012/2013 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 14 - Courses, p. 327). LBED 1000 and 2000 may be used toward satisfying the GLER.

Elective: A course that you may choose freely from all those available and applicable to your program. Use courses inside or outside your major, bearing in mind any restrictions that may apply (e.g., a maximum of 20 courses from any one department).

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² Students who have completed German 30 or equivalent should begin their studies with German 1500. Students who have not completed German 30 should begin with German 1000 or German 1100 (as indicated by the placement test).

³ If not offered in Year Three, French 2200 can be taken in Year Four.

⁴ Depending on their academic background in German, students may have to take one or more Independent Study courses in German in order to complete the major. For further details, see the First-Year German Coordinator in the Department of Modern Languages.

