

## 2020-2021 FRENCH MINOR

(Minimum of five course credits)

The French minor program can enable students to achieve a reasonable proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. The program also introduces students to French literature and culture. Graduates have found their foreign-language education particularly useful in a number of professional and business careers: education, health services, a number of professional and business careers, and a wide range of government careers.

### Required Core Course

FRN 103 Intermediate French III\*

### Required Distribution Courses

Four (4) additional FRN course credits beyond the 103 level, as specified by the Department of Foreign Languages:

**Exploring the Minor**—Students interested in French as a minor should complete or waive FRN 101 and FRN 102 during their first year. Those who have had previous experience with French should contact the faculty who teach French for a waiver interview, which will determine their appropriate entry-level course.

**Admission to the Minor**—To be admitted to this minor, students must complete FRN 103 or a higher-level course taught in French with a grade of C or higher.

**Course Sequencing Considerations**—Whether starting with FRN 101 or at a higher level, prospective French minors should begin taking FRN courses as soon as possible. Unless waived, all introductory and intermediate courses (FRN 101, 102, 103) must be taken in sequence. After completion of FRN 103, students may take FRN 300, FRN 310, and courses above FRN 310 in any order.

**Proficiency Requirements for the Minor**—A grade of C or higher in each required FRN course and in each collateral course is required for continuation in the minor. In addition to specified course requirements, each student must satisfy departmental standards for written and oral communication. Minors must meet all departmental requirements, including a B- average (2.8 GPA) in French, in order to receive financial support from the Department to study abroad.

**Other Considerations in the Minor**—The Department offers financial assistance for French minors who wish to study abroad. Acceptance into the minor neither requires nor guarantees a term abroad. Nevertheless, minors are encouraged strongly to study abroad during a summer term in a French-speaking culture program approved by the Department, which advises students in selecting the proper program and applying for scholarships.

\* If a student waives FRN 103 by means of a placement test, the student has to take an additional 300 level FRN course to complete the five required courses.