

# FRENCH-BA

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THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

**Please Note: Students interested in majoring in a language, who have taken high school courses in that language, are strongly recommended to take the appropriate Language Placement Test. Contact the Modern Languages and Literatures Department at (616) 331-3203.**

## Sample Plan

This plan assumes students will begin in FRE 201 – please consult an advisor if your initial placement is different  
See page 2 for full breakdown of major requirements and prerequisites

Year One			
<sup>1</sup> WRT 120 or General Education (Philosophy & Literature)	3	<sup>1</sup> WRT 130 or WRT 150	3/4
FRE 201	4	FRE 202 (Global Perspectives)	4
General Education (Physical Science <u>OR</u> Life Science w/Lab)	4	General Education (Social & Beh Sciences #1)	3
<sup>2</sup> MTH 110 or MTH 108	4/3	MTH 109 or Gen Ed	3
			3
<i>Total</i>	<i>14/15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15/16*</i>
Year Two			
FRE 315	3	FRE 318	3
FRE 317	3	FRE 300-Level Elective	3
General Education (US Diversity)	3	FRE 300-Level Elective	3
<sup>3</sup> Minor or elective	3	General Education (Math Sci)	3
General Education (Historical Analysis)	3	Minor or elective	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>15/16</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>
Year Three			
FRE 300-Level Elective	3	FRE 300-Level Elective	3
FRE 300-Level Elective	3	Minor or elective	3
Issues #1	3	Minor or elective	3
General Education (The ARTS)	3	General Education (Social & Beh Sciences #2)	3
Minor or elective	3	General Education (SWS #1)	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>
Year Four			
FRE 400 level elective	3	FRE 495 (SWS #2)	3
Minor or elective	3	General Education (Physical Science <u>OR</u> Life Science w/out Lab)	3
Minor or elective	3	Minor course	3
Minor course	3	Minor course	3
Issues #2	3	Minor or elective	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>

<sup>1</sup> Students who self-place into WRT 120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 should normally take this course in the winter semester of their first year.

Students will not need to take WRT 120/130 or WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 130 or 150 in order to satisfy the WRT requirement at GVSU.

<sup>2</sup> Based on initial math placement, see advisor for specific details/recommendations

<sup>3</sup> Minors are encouraged; "Elective" refers to any course needed in order to reach 120 total credits, which are required to earn a degree from GVSU. Additional degree requirements include completion of all major/minor requirements, all general education requirements, at least 58 credits from a 4-year institution, and the last 30 credits of the degree completed through GVSU.

**Study Abroad:** It is highly recommended that French majors study abroad for at least a semester, where they often fulfill 15 credits towards the major, including the Gen Ed **Issues** requirement. If this is not feasible, majors should consider a summer program such as the 6-week faculty-led program in Bordeaux and Paris, France.

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly.

The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585. Online at:

<http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising>

## French major (30 credits)

### Core Curriculum (12 credits)

#### \_\_\_ FRE 315 French Conversation (3)

Prerequisites: C (not C-) or better in FRE 202 or instructor permission; may be taken concurrently with FRE 316.

#### \_\_\_ FRE 495 - Advanced Topics in French Capstone (3)

Prerequisites for all courses: C (not C-) or better in all Core courses (FRE 315-317 and 318) or permission of instructor and senior standing

#### \_\_\_ FRE 317 Writing in French (3) SWS

Prerequisite: C (not C-) or better in FRE 202 or instructor permission; Recommended after FRE 315 and FRE 316.

#### \_\_\_ FRE 318 Introduction to French Literature (3)

Prerequisites: C (not C-) or better in FRE 202 or instructor permission; Recommended after FRE 315, FRE 316 and FRE 317.

### Elective Requirement (18 credits)

Three elective courses from the list below, including at least one course at the 400 level.

\_\_\_ Elective FRE \_\_\_(3)

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\_\_\_ 400-level Elective FRE \_\_\_ (3)

Choose from the following:

**FRE 202 Inter French II: French Lang and Cul**

**FRE 321 Medieval Encounters & Big Ideas**

**FRE 322 Radical French Literature**

**FRE 323 (Post-) Revolutionary Literature**

**FRE 331 French Phonetics**

**FRE 332 French Unfiltered**

**FRE 333 Translation - Theory & Practice**

**FRE 341 French History and Civilization**

**FRE 342 Contemporary France Cult & Soc**

**FRE 343 Francophone Civilization**

**FRE 351 Business French**

**FRE 380 Special Topics in French**

**FRE 385 French Language (Study Abroad)**

**FRE 386 French Culture (Study Abroad)**

**FRE 388 EUSA Paris-Language (Paris)**

**FRE 395 Advanced Speaking**

**FRE 399 Independent Reading**

**FRE 421 Medieval Knights**

**FRE 422 Bold Humanism in French Lit**

**FRE 423 French Fables, Fairy tales & Farce**

**FRE 424 French Scandalous Literature**

**FRE 425 Romantics vs. Realists**

**FRE 426 French Literature Vs Realist**

**FRE 427 Francophone Literature & Cultures**

**FRE 480 Special Topics in French**

**FRE 499 Independent Research**

Certain courses may be taken twice with different course content (i.e. FRE 380, 480)

### General Education Overlap

#### General Education Categories fulfilled by the German major:

Global Perspectives: FRE 202 if student places in FRE 202 or below and student completes FRE 202; students that test into 300 level will satisfy category after completion of 300 level FRE course; can also be met through study abroad

Issue: Can be met through study abroad, please see the Padnos International Center for details