# FRENCH (HBA)

## Department of Language Studies

**The French program** offers students a wide range of courses designed to provide the basis for the study of our French heritage. Our course offerings comprise a variety of fields: French as a language system (including Business French); critical approaches to literature; teaching and learning French (including teaching with new technology); and the study of both French and Quebec Literatures.

For students wishing to pursue a program leading to a high level of competence in French, we offer two series of language courses: FSL course for non-specialists; and FRE courses for specialists, maximizing contact with instructors and using modern methods.

# MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME AT UTM!

We want to help you maximize your university experience, so we've pulled together information and interesting suggestions to get you started, although there are many more! As you review the chart on the inside pages, note that many of the suggestions need not be restricted to the year they are mentioned. In fact, activities such as joining an academic society, engaging with faculty and seeking opportunities to gain experience should occur in each year of your study at UTM. Read through the chart and create your own plan using My Program Plan found at www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans

#### **Programs of Study (POSt)**

- Specialist Program ERSPE1295 French Studies (Arts)
- Major Program ERMAJ1295 French Studies (Arts)
- Minor Program ERMIN1000 Functional French (Arts)
- Minor Program ERMIN1135 French Studies (Arts)

#### Check out...

Enjoy a little scandal? Take FRE369H5 and study scandalous French writings about the self to unusual experiments in story-telling.

### What can I do with my degree?

The career you choose will depend on your experience and interests. Visit the Career Centre to explore your career options.

**Careers for graduates**: Billingual customer service specialist; Communications specialist; Court interpreter; Foreign service officer; Interpreter; Language teacher; Political aide; Public relations specialist; Technical writer; Terminologist; Translator.

**Workplaces**: Airlines, airports; Communications and broadcasting companies; Cultural organizations; Government; ; Language schools, international schools; Translation and interpretation firms.





# **HOW TO USE THIS PROGRAM PLAN**

Read through each year. Investigate what appeals to you here and in any other Program Plans that apply to you.



Visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans to create your own plan using My Program Plan. Update your plan yearly.

	1 <sup>ST</sup> YEAR	2 <sup>ND</sup> YEAR
PLAN YOUR ACADEMICS*	Enrol in courses FRE180H5 and 181H5 or equivalent.  Choose a program of study (Subject POSt) once you complete 4.0 credits. Use the <b>Degree Explorer</b> and the <b>Academic Calendar</b> to plan your degree.  Develop foundational academic skills and strategies by enrolling in a <b>utmONE</b> course. Build community and gain academic support through <b>LAUNCH</b> . Join a RGASC <b>Peer Facilitated Study Group</b> .	Enrol in courses FRE240H5 and FRE241H5, FRE272Y5, and FRE280Y5.  Consider applying for <b>Research Opportunity Program (ROP)</b> courses FRE299Y and FRE399Y. Visit the EEU website for <b>ROP Course Prerequisites</b> . Attend the RGASC's <b>Program for Accessing Research Training (P.A.R.T.)</b> to enhance your research skills.
BUILD SKILLS	Use the <b>Co-Curricular Record (CCR)</b> . Search for opportunities beyond the classroom, and keep track of your accomplishments.  Attend the <b>Get Experience Fair</b> through the Career Centre (CC) to learn about on- and off-campus opportunities.	Use the <b>Career Learning Network (CLNx)</b> to find postings for on- and off-campus work and volunteer opportunities.  Work on-campus through the <b>Work-Study program</b> . View position descriptions on the CLNx.
BUILD A NETWORK	Networking simply means talking to people and developing relationships with them. Start by joining the Language Studies Academic Society (LSAS). Follow them on Facebook @utmLSAS.  Go to the LSAS Meet and Greet. Visit the UTM Library Reference Desk.	Do you have a professor you really like or connect with? Ask them a question during office hours. Discuss an assignment. Go over lecture material. Don't be shy! Learn <b>Tips On How to Approach a Professor</b> available through the Experiential Education Unit (EEU).
BUILD A GLOBAL MINDSET	Attend events held by the International Education Centre (IEC), whether you are an international or domestic student. Explore your culture and other cultures through weekly/regular conversations, Language Conversation Circles, debates, and activities to enhance your global and intercultural mindset.	Engage in programs like the <b>Global and Intercultural Fluency Training Series (GIFTS)</b> or learn about and prepare for a future <b>UTM Abroad Experience</b> through the IEC to strengthen and enhance your intercultural skill set, and learn about other cultures while sharing your own!  Consider <b>SummerAbroad</b> courses in Tours, France as well as the <b>Explore program</b> .
PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE	Attend the <b>Program Selection &amp; Career Options</b> workshop offered by the Office of the Registrar and the CC.  Check out <b>Careers by Major</b> at the CC to see potential career options.	Explore careers through the CC's <b>Job Shadowing Program</b> .  Considering <b>further education</b> ? Attend the CC's <b>Further Education Showcase</b> . Talk to professors – they are potential mentors and references.

3 <sup>RD</sup> YEAR	<b>4</b> <sup>TH</sup> <b>OR FINAL YEAR</b>
Enrol in courses FRE382H5 and 383H5/380H5. In third year and higher, attain 3.0 credits from French Linguistics or 3.0 credits from French Literary and Cultural Studies. View the <b>Academic Calendar</b> for course options.  Throughout your undergraduate degree:  use the <b>Degree Explorer</b> to ensure you complete your degree and program requirements.  see the <b>Office of the Registrar</b> and the <b>Language Studies Undergraduate Counsellor</b> .	Conduct a scholarly project under the supervision of a faculty member through an independent study course such as FRE491H5 and FRE492H5. Speak to the <b>Language Studies Undergraduate Counsellor</b> for advice and details.  Log on to ACORN and request graduation.
Explore your interests. Looking to develop your leadership skills? Apply to become a <b>LAUNCH Leader</b> with the CSE.  Sharpen your problem solving and design skills by getting involved in a <b>Social Innovation Project</b> through the Centre for Student Engagement (CSE).	Consider a practical work-based experience through the internship course FRE400H5. Speak to the <b>Language Studies Undergraduate Counsellor</b> for application information.
Establish a professional presence on social media (e.g., LinkedIn).  Check out events hosted by the Languages Department such as the French Talent Show. Visit their <b>News &amp; Events</b> page.	Join a professional association. Check out the <b>L'Association</b> des <b>Professeur(e)s</b> de <b>Français</b> des <b>Universités</b> et des <b>Collèges Canadiens (APFUCC)</b> .  Go to the <b>I</b> nternational Conference on Second Language Pedagogies. Attend <b>international conferences</b> held on the 3 campuses.
Earn credits overseas! Apply to study for a summer, term or year at one of 140+ universities. Speak to the IEC for details about Course Based Exchange, funding and travel safety.  Plan to spend an academic year in France as an assistant in a high school.	Learn about working abroad. Read up on worldwide employment trends and industry outlooks through GoinGlobal. Attend the Go Global Expo. See if you are eligible for International Experience Canada.  Learn about the France-Canada Youth Mobility Agreement to travel and work in France in the future. Think about the Teaching Assistant Program in France!
What's your next step after undergrad?  Entering the workforce? Evaluate your career options through a CC Career Counselling appointment. Create a job search strategy — book a CC Employment Strategies appointment.  Considering further education? Research application requirements, prepare for admission tests (LSAT, GMAT) and research funding options (OGS, SSHRC).	Market your skills to employers. Get your <b>resume critiqued</b> at the CC. Attend the CC workshop <b>Now That I'm Graduating What's Next?</b> Write a strong application for further education. Attend the CC's <b>Mastering the Personal Statement workshop</b> .

<sup>\*</sup>Consult the Academic Calendar for greater detail on course requirements, program notes and degree requirements.



## **Skills developed in French**

To be competitive in the job market, it is essential that you can explain your skills to an employer. Visit the Career Centre to learn how to articulate and market the following skills:

**Communication:** proficiency in reading, writing, and oral expression in other languages; write carefully reasoned reports and essays; and translate and interpret.

**Critical thinking:** understand historical language change; actively listen and question; formulate and defend positions; and formulate criteria, evaluations and make decisions.

**Interpersonal:** understanding other cultures and integrating cultural and ethnic diversity in human interactions.

**Research:** read materials accurately and analytically; understand, organize and integrate information; carry out tasks with thoroughness and precision; and creativity and flexibility in thinking.

## Services that support you

- Accessibility Services (AS)
- Career Centre (CC)
- Centre for Student Engagement (CSE)
- Experiential Education Unit (EEU)
- Health & Counselling Centre (HCC)
- Indigenous Centre (IC)
- International Education Centre (IEC)
- Office of the Registrar (OR)
- Recreation, Athletics and Wellness Centre (RAWC)
- Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre (RGASC)
- UTM Library, Hazel McCallion Academic Learning Centre (HMALC)

### **Get involved**

Check out the 100+ student organizations on campus. Here are a few:

- Language Studies Academic Society (LSAS)
- UTM Student Union (UTMSU)
- UTM Athletics Council (UTMAC)

For a listing of clubs on campus visit **www.utm.utoronto.ca/clubs**.

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# **FUTURE STUDENTS**

#### **Admission to UTM**

All program areas require an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, or equivalent, with six Grade 12 U/M courses, or equivalent, including English. The admission average is calculated with English plus the next best five courses. The approximate average required for admission is mid- to high-70s. More information is available at

utm.utoronto.ca/viewbook.

**NOTE:** During the application process, applicants will select the Humanities admissions category, but will not officially be admitted to a formal program of study (Specialist, Major, and/or Minor) until after first year.

#### **Sneak Peek**

How have French imaginary forms evolved over the last two centuries? Take FRE241H5 to read modern French and Quebec masterworks from the late Romanticism to Modern, and Postmodern Literature. Curious about the structure of French? Take FRE272Y5 to study the phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics of modern French.

Our department is a leader in the use of educational technology: the use of computer technology (computer-assisted language teaching) is offered as extra practice and unlimited individualized feed-back/interaction. Our learning Lab facility includes a state-of-theart software and multimedia library. Finally, we promote bimodal language learning in combining multimedia and communicative methods.

# Student Recruitment & Admissions

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