Succeed in the workplace

What employers want

The Canadian Council of Chief Executives list the top 6 skills sought by employers as:

1. People skills
2. Communication skills
3. Problem-solving skills
4. Analytical abilities
5. Leadership skills
6. Industry-specific knowledge

Take the time to think about the unique skills you have developed at Queen’s, starting with the skills list here for ideas. Explaining your strengths with compelling examples will be important for applications to employers and further education. For help, check out the Career Services skills workshop.

What can I learn studying FRENCH STUDIES?

- Fluency or near-fluency in French
- Knowledge of the syntax, grammar and vocabulary of the French language
- Translation skills to translate documents from French into English
- Oral and written communication to write papers and give presentations in French
- Ability to work in groups in French
- Research skills to conduct research in the French language
- Understanding of the links between language and culture
- Time management working on multiple projects
- Civic engagement to use theatre to make a positive difference in local communities
- Integrative learning to combine practical and theoretical knowledge and experiences

Why study in Kingston?

For over 175 years, the Kingston community has been a collection of bright minds. We are proud that our city was named one of the top Intelligent Communities across the globe, an accolade largely due to the thousands of students who study here every single year. In fact, the BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world, which might be why Instagram named the city ‘the happiest place on the planet’. Just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York, Kingston is a safe and liveable city. Not only are we known as the freshwater sailing capital of the world, Kingston is arguably the birthplace of hockey. Wondering what to do while you’re attending school? Kingston has more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and Kingston has more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America; your time here is guaranteed to be ‘fresh made daily’.

French Studies

MAJOR MAP

Learn French in Kingston, an officially bilingual city, or expand your French studies to include culture, literature and lexicology.

Get to know FRENCH STUDIES

Le Département d’études françaises offre trois programmes d’études au 1er cycle (de la mineure au baccalauréat spécialisé), deux certificats de compétence (intermédiaire et intermédiaire-avancé), ainsi que des cours destinés aux débutants, le tout dans une atmosphère collégiale et chaleureuse. Vous pouvez améliorer votre compétence en français, ou étudier la littérature et la culture de langue française. Il est également possible de participer à un programme d’échanges au Québec ou en France. Cet échange peut se faire au courant de l’été ou pendant l’année scolaire et peut alors être de une ou deux sessions.

The French Studies department offers three undergraduate concentrations (a Minor, a Medial and a Major), two certificates of competence (intermediate and intermediate-advanced) as well as elective courses for beginners. Areas of study include oral and written language as well as French literature and culture. Courses are offered in a supportive and collegial atmosphere. It is also possible to study French in either Quebec or France during the summer, one semester or through year-long exchanges.

Queen’s ADMISSION

Students apply to Queen’s Arts (QA) through the OUAC (Ontario Universities’ Application Centre) website (ouac.on.ca). Secondary School prerequisites include six 4U and 4M courses, including a minimum of three 4U courses, one of which must be ENG4U. Applicants outside of Ontario may have additional requirements. A language placement test is available to determine your appropriate starting level in French Studies. Visit queenu.ca/admission for additional information regarding requirements and admission to Queen’s.


That is a degree from Queen’s.

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French Studies MAJOR MAP
BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR, MEDIAL, MINOR

GET THE COURSES YOU NEED
In first year take FREN 150. The online Placement Test will help you determine the level you should start with.
- See the French Studies website, and the Academic Calendar for details on course requirements.
- Build your transferable skills in time management, problem-solving, writing and more with Student Academic Success Services.

GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE
- Join teams or clubs on campus such as Club Francophone and Queen’s Model Parliament.
- See the AMS Clubs Directory or the Queen’s Get Involved page for more ideas.

GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY
Volunteer on or off campus with different community organizations such as the Le Centre Culturel Frontenac and the Queen’s International Affairs Association.

GET THINKING GLOBALLY
Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking QUIC’s Intercultural Competency Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations.
- Speak to a QUIC advisor to get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.

GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION
Grappling with program decisions? Go to Majors Night or get some help wondering about career options from Career Services.

1ST YEAR
In first year take FREN 150. The online Placement Test will help you determine the level you should start with.

2ND YEAR
In second year take FREN 230 and 241 for all French Plans, plus required courses on language FREN 219 and 250. Majors take 15.0-18.0 units, 12.0 for Medal, and 6.0-12.0 for Minors, plus additional courses outlined in the Academic Calendar.

3RD YEAR
Develop your skills in textual analysis, oral and written French and enlarge your knowledge of the francophone culture and literature through a variety of courses.
- Majors take 18.0 units on average, 12.0 for Medal, and 6.0-12.0 for Minors, plus electives as outlined in the Academic Calendar.

4TH OR FINAL YEAR
Take the advanced language and literature course for Majors FREN 498 (6.0) and consider a teaching experience (FREN 499 6.0). Majors take 18.0 units on average, 12.0 for Medal, and 6.0-12.0 for Minors, plus any remaining courses as outlined in the Academic Calendar.

- Students can register for more than three semesters, but taking more than four semesters is not advised.
- Make sure to map your minor and / or certificate(s) as well.

Apply to graduate in SOLUS.

Where could I go after graduation?
- Administration
- Advertising
- Banking and commerce
- Broadcasting - radio and TV
- Civil service
- Communications
- Community development
- Curriculum development
- Diplomatic service
- Editor
- Foreign service
- Fundraising and event management
- Government and politics
- Hospitality and tourism
- Immigration services
- International development
- Interpreter
- Journalism
- Law
- Language industries
- Management consulting
- Marketing
- Media and publishing
- Mediation and labour relations
- Political analyst
- Professor
- Public relations
- Speech and language therapy
- Teaching French as a second language
- Technical writing and translation
- Research in the field of humanities

Consider a 12-16 month QUIC Internship
- International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.
- Some careers may require additional training.
- Visit careers.queensu.ca/majormaps.html for the online version with links!

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