Studying French opens a wide range of opportunities, especially in Canada. The Department of French Studies offers undergraduate students interested in pursuing the subject in-depth the chance to study French as either a minor, a medial, or a major. We also offer courses for the complete beginner and Certificates of Competencies for students not registered in a French Plan. Courses offered focus on oral and written French as well on literature and culture. For interested students, it is also possible to study French in either Quebec or France on exchange.

**TOP 5 REASONS to study FRENCH**

1. Mastery of French gives access to a multicultural perspective on the world.
2. Find careers in translation, journalism, public relations, and health.
3. Study abroad and learn more about the French language and culture.
4. Interact closely with professors in class and during our many events held throughout the year.
5. Learn not only the language but the history, culture, and literatures of French, in Canada and abroad.

**ALUMNI JOBS**

- 5% of alumni work in **LAW & INSURANCE**
- 5% of alumni work in **BANKING & INVESTMENT**
- 10% of alumni work in **GOVERNMENT**
- 55% of alumni work in **EDUCATION**

**2019-20 major thresholds**

- **1.9 cGPA** AUTOMATIC ACCEPTANCE min B- in FREN 150
- **1.9 cGPA** PENDING LIST

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planelection

“**I have recently returned from an international exchange to France. Living my everyday life using the French language further enhanced my knowledge and confidence in speaking another language. I was able to make international friends, travel, and communicate in a classroom setting as well as in a local atmosphere in French.”**

- Melissa McCoy, BAH ’15

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- Employment Relations
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- French for Professionals
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- Urban Planning Studies

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# French Studies MAJOR MAP

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR, MINOR**

## 1ST YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
- In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of French Studies along with some electives.

**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 organization 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 QUIP's Intercultural Competency Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations.
- Speak to a QUIP 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. Explore different careers of interest by reading books in the Career Services Advising and Resource Area, such as Careers for Cultrue Lovers. For more information check out Career Cruising or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.

## 2ND YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
- Start going deeper into the discipline of French Studies, while considering a minor and/or certificate such as Media Studies. Attend Degree + in the Fall term to learn more about Certificate(s) and Internship options.
- Want to make sure your academics are where you want them to be? Visit SASS (Student Academic Support Services) and the Writing Centre for some help.

**GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
- Look into summer jobs by talking to the department or Career Services about work through SWEP or Work-Study.
- If interested, take a summer course in Quebec through the Explore program to immerse yourself in a French speaking environment.

**GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
- Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC).
- Start or continue volunteering with organizations such as Queen’s Interfaith and Intercultural Society (QVIS).

**GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
- Want to speak French abroad? Start thinking about where you would like to study abroad. Apply in January for a third year exchange through the International Programs Office.
- Consider a one or two term exchange in France with the Ontario-Rhône-Alpes program.

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## 3RD YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
- A chance to start grouping courses in areas of interest, or to keep it more general and explore many areas of French Studies. Meet with an Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year.

**GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
- If interested, apply for an Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship (USSRF). Consider applying to do a 12-16 month QUIP internship after your third year. Look into employment with the federal government such as a Parliamentary Guide or a guide at a war memorial in France with VAC. Think about taking FREN 499 (6.0) as a TA for FREN 150 if you are a CON Ed student, apply in January with the Department.

**GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
- Do targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group or Career Services about work through SWEP or Work-Study.
- Consider becoming a camp counsellor for the French Summer Camp.

**GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
- Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills.
- Consider taking FSL through the Faculty of Education to become a teacher.

**GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**
- Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get help thinking about grad school from Career Services. Get sneak peeks of jobs posted at ACFOMI to prepare for the future.

## 4TH OR FINAL YEAR

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
- In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to Graduate School or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses for your major and your optional minor and/or certificate(s).

**GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
- Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest. Assess what experience you're lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships – check out the Career Services skills workshop for help. Consider international teaching opportunities such as teaching English in France for a year or tutoring in French.

**GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
- Join groups on Linkedin reflecting specific careers or topics of interest in French.

**GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
- Consider a one or two term exchange in France with the Kingston francophone community.

**GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**
- International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.
- Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with job searching, resumes, interviews, Grad School applications, or other decisions. ACFOMI and Le Centre Culturel Frontenac can help with future plans.

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*This map is intended to provide suggestions for activities and careers, but everyone’s abilities, experiences, and constraints are different. Build your own Major Map using our online My Major Map tool.*
French Studies

MAJOR MAP

Why study in Kingston?
For over 175 years, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen’s has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen’s has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen’s – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

How to use this map
Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don’t have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the My Major Map tool.

Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need
Queen’s provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen’s, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen’s wants you to succeed! Check out the Student Affairs website for available resources.

QUEEN’S UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES
in May, September, or January

POSITIONS
are paid and full-time

WORK TERMS
are 12-16 months long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW
• Graduate with “Professional Internship” on your degree.
• Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
• Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

ELIGIBILITY
• 2nd or 3rd Year Students
• Minimum GPA of 1.9

WHY QUIP?
• Gain a year of career-related work experience.
• Build network connections.
• Receive support from Queen’s staff in job search and during internship.

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIPS
Planning Logistics Intern
Communications & Market Research Intern
Resource Conservation Technician
Coyne & Partners Development Intern
Technical Writer
Economic Analyst

For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the Program Website.

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