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**

**2020-21 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/planselection](http://quartsci.com/planselection)

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- Media Studies
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**alumni STORY**

“**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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**French Studies MAJOR MAP**

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

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<th>1ST YEAR</th>
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<td><strong>GET THE COURSES YOU NEED</strong></td>
<td>In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of French Studies along with some electives.</td>
<td>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 Certificates and Internship options.</td>
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<td><strong>GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE</strong></td>
<td>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.</td>
<td>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 Québec through the Explore program to immerse yourself in a French speaking environment.</td>
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<td><strong>GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY</strong></td>
<td>Volunteer on or off campus with different community organization such as the Le Centre Culturel Frontenac and the Queen’s International Affairs Association.</td>
<td>Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC). Start or continue volunteering with organizations such as Queen’s Interfaith and Intercultural Society (QIIS).</td>
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<td><strong>GET THINKING GLOBALLY</strong></td>
<td>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.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td><strong>GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION</strong></td>
<td>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 Culture Lovers. For more information check out Career Cruising or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.</td>
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ny areas of French Studies. Meet with an
Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and
planned out your courses for next year.

A degree in French Studies can equip you with:
• 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

Where can I go?
A degree in French Studies can take your
career in many directions. Many students
choose to continue their academic
inquiry with a Master’s. Our students are
equipped with a strong foundation for
careers in:
• Banking and commerce
• Curriculum development
• Foreign service
• Government and politics
• Immigration services
• Interpreter
• Speech and language therapy
• Technical writing and translation

Taking time to explore career options,
build experience and network can help
you have a smooth transition to the
world of work after graduation.

* 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.
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