Language and Cultural Studies

General Information

Degrees and Areas of Concentration

Language and Cultural Studies offers courses in French, Japanese, and Spanish, as well as a Dual Language Professional option, leading to the B.A. in Modern Language degree, and an emphasis in each of these languages for students seeking the B.S. Ed. in Secondary Education as well as the B.A. in Modern Language with Master's Level Coursework for Secondary Teacher Certification. In addition, the program offers courses in English for Academic Purposes.

Minors may also be earned in the department. For details, see the specific requirements which appear later in this section.

Study Abroad

Language students who have been at the University of Missouri-St. Louis at least one semester and have studied the language for at least one year may receive credits for formal study abroad. Students must present a list of language course descriptions from the institution abroad to receive prior consent of the department, and must present a transcript for evaluation upon return to receive credit for those courses. Exchange programs are available with many universities in foreign countries. For information, please contact the Study Abroad Office at http://www.umsl.edu/services/abroad/.

Alumni Scholarship

Qualified junior and senior language majors may apply for the Modern Language Alumni Scholarship, which is renewable each year on a competitive basis. For information, please contact Student Financial Aid at http://www.umsl.edu/services/finaid/.

Marcus Allen Memorial Scholarship

Qualified students of French may apply for the Marcus Allen Memorial Scholarship which is awarded on a competitive basis and must be used within one semester of the award. For information, please contact Student Financial Aid.

Baldini Family Scholarship

Qualified full-time students pursuing a Modern Language degree with teacher certification may apply for this scholarship which is awarded on a competitive basis and must be used within one semester of the award. For information, please contact Student Financial Aid.

Community College Scholarship

Qualified community college students may apply for the Modern Language Community College Scholarship to be used for educational fees toward enrollment in third semester or higher courses in French, Japanese, or Spanish. This scholarship must be used within one semester of the award. For information, please contact Student Financial Aid.

Allen B. and Helen S. Shopmaker Spanish Scholarship

Qualified full-time students pursuing a Modern Language degree with a concentration in Spanish may apply for this scholarship. For information, please contact Student Financial Aid.

Departmental Honors

Candidates for departmental honors in Modern Languages must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Achieve a GPA of 3.5 in the major for all hours attempted beyond the first two semesters. (Language Courses 1001 and 1002).
- 2. Maintain an overall GPA of 3.0.

Degrees

Modern Language BA, Dual Language Emphasis Professional

Modern Language BA, Japanese Emphasis

Modern Language BA, Spanish Emphasis

Modern Language BA, French Emphasis

Minors

French Minor

Japanese Minor

Spanish Minor

Modern Languages Minor

Courses

Courses offered by the department can be found at the links below:

American Sign Language (ASL)

English for Academic Purposes (EAP)

Foreign Language - Other (FGN LANG)

French (FRENCH)

Japanese (JAPAN)

Spanish (SPANISH)