Courses

FGN LANG 1199 Special Topics: Language Immersion: 1-5 semester hours
Prerequisites: Consent of department chair. Study abroad experience designed specifically to enhance acquisition of the target language and culture. This course may be repeated for credit provided that the topic is different.

FGN LANG 1200 Languages and Identities: 3 semester hours
This course examines how language use impacts and reflects various aspects of human identity. Course materials include contemporary readings, videos, and case studies on language and identity in a variety of Western and non-Western cultures. This course fulfills the Cultural Diversity Requirement.

FGN LANG 2100 Languages and World View: 3 semester hours
Same as ANTHRO 2100 and SOC 2200. This course investigates the extent to which linguistic and cultural background inform our understanding of the world. Experts on a variety of major Western and non-Western languages will introduce students to differences in ideas about time, space, human relationships, and other issues based on language. The course will also analyze common cultural misunderstandings among native speakers of English and speakers of other languages.

FGN LANG 2110 Parlez-vous French Cinéma?: 3 semester hours
This discussion-based course focuses on diverse genres of contemporary French cinema. Through the lens of film, students will discover French culture by examining historical and social issues that have shaped French society. This course is taught in English, and films will be screened with English subtitles.

FGN LANG 2192 Service Learning in Foreign Languages: 1-3 semester hours
Prerequisites: Permission of course instructor and concurrent enrollment in a Foreign Language course (English as a Second Language, French, Japanese, or Spanish) at the 2000-level or higher. Taken concurrently with a qualifying foreign language course, students will participate in a community service experience that is academically integrated into the students’ course of study. Community service in a local or international community organization, as approved by the course instructor, is required. Determination of the type of community service to be conducted and the number of hours required will be made in consultation with the instructor. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

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FGN LANG 2294 Foreign Language Careers for the Global Market: 1 semester hour
This course introduces students to a range of careers in which knowledge of foreign languages and cross-cultural awareness are an asset. Through interactive workshops and guest presentations, students explore how to put their language skills to use in various fields, such as business, government service, education, STEM, travel, healthcare, and translation. Students engage in activities that help them to identify their professional goals and become familiar with internships and opportunities that enhance their marketability both locally and globally.

FGN LANG 2311 Special Topics in Language and Cultural Studies: 3 semester hours
This course investigates special topics related to language within its cultural, historical, and socio-political contexts. It is taught in English and requires no previous foreign language background. The course may be repeated for credit provided the topic is different each time.

FGN LANG 3199 Special Topics: Language Immersion: 1-3 semester hours
Prerequisites: Consent of department chair. Study abroad experience designed specifically to enhance acquisition of the target language and culture. This course may be repeated for credit provided that the topic is different.

FGN LANG 3294 Internship in Languages: 1-3 semester hours
Prerequisites: FGN LANG 2100 plus completion of 2000-level language requirements and consent of Internship Coordinator in Languages. This internship gives students of languages and cultures the opportunity to use their unique and developing skills at an appropriate agency, organization, or business, to gain valuable work experience, and to begin networking with organizations in the St. Louis region and beyond. Students will attend a minimum of three face-to-face meetings with the internship coordinator and write weekly journals and a final report about their experiences. Their course grade will reflect their work at the internship site as well as their written assignments for the course.

FGN LANG 4394 Advanced Internship in Languages: 1-3 semester hours
Prerequisites: FGN LANG 2100 plus completion of at least two 3000-level classes in a language and consent of the Internship Coordinator in Languages. This internship gives students of languages and cultures the opportunity to use their unique and advanced language skills at an appropriate agency, organization, or business in the St. Louis region and beyond. Students will attend a minimum of three face-to-face meetings with their internship coordinator and write weekly journals and a final report about their experiences. Their course grade will reflect their work at the internship site as well as their written assignments for the course.

FGN LANG 4589 Curriculum and Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages: 3 semester hours
Same as SEC ED 4589. This course is a study of the scope and sequence of the foreign language courses in the school curriculum with emphasis on the selection and organization of materials and methods of instruction and evaluation. The course emphasizes second language acquisition and socio-cultural theories of learning which undergird the approach, examination and analysis of foreign language teaching practices. Attention is also directed toward learning the techniques and research of the scholar in the field of foreign language. To be taken concurrently with Practicum I, SEC ED 4589.
FGN LANG 4590 Foreign Language Teaching Seminar: 2 semester hours
Same as SEC ED 4590. Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in SEC ED 4990 or consent of instructor. A practicum course in the teaching of foreign languages. Review and explanation of drills, dialogues, and a variety of classroom techniques, oral and written. A continuation of FGN LANG 4589 / SEC ED 4589, Curriculum and Methods, with an emphasis on specific practical skills. To be taken concurrently with SEC ED 4990, Student Teaching. Not available for graduate credit.

FGN LANG 5311 Special Topics in Foreign Language Teaching: 3 semester hours
Prerequisite: Consent of the instructor. Designed for in-service foreign language teachers, this course focuses on the study of special topics in the field of foreign language learning with an emphasis on research applications to the improvement of practice. Topics may include technology for FL learning, the teaching of writing in the FL classroom, the teaching of reading in the FL classroom, proficiency-oriented instruction and assessment, second language acquisition for FL teachers, action research in the FL classroom. May be repeated for credit provided the topic is different. May be applied toward the Master's in Secondary Education with an emphasis in FL teaching.