

French & Francophone Studies

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Bonjour

- At WU, we know how important it is to be...
 - a global citizen in today's world
 - competitive on the job market
 - culturally sensitive and aware
- Learning a language...
 - Helps you to expand your view of the world
 - Encourages critical reflection on the relation between language and culture
 - Develops your intellect
 - Improves knowledge of the native language

Who speaks French?

- About **110 million** native speakers in parts of the world like France, Switzerland, Belgium, Monaco, Italy, Canada, and Northern and Western Africa
- About **190 million** second language speakers across the globe (*Francophonie*)
- That's nearly **300,000,000** people who speak French world-wide
- Projection of 500,000,000 by 2025

Where is French spoken?

- The official language of 29 countries world-wide
- It is one of the official languages of

– EUROPEAN COMMUNITY



– UNITED NATIONS



– NATO



– UNESCO



– INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS



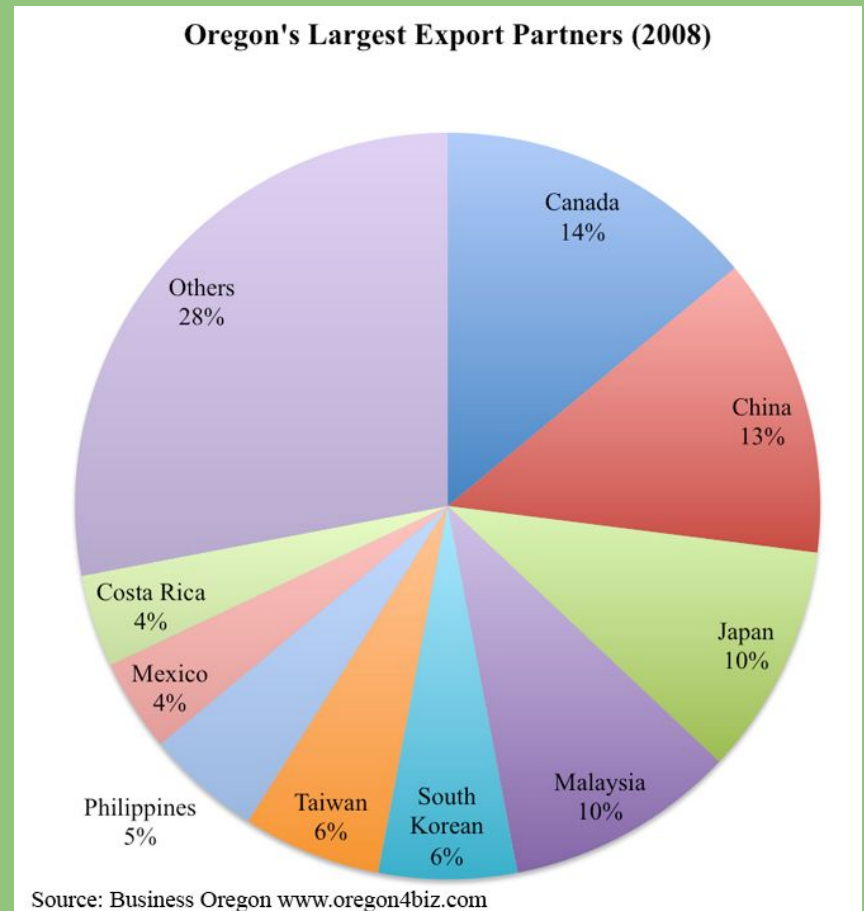
– INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE



– Many other international institutions (OECD, ILO, CIA, UPU)

French in Oregon

- Over 11,000 Oregonians speak French, most in Western Oregon
- One of Oregon's nearest and largest trading partners is Canada
 - Canada's official languages are French and English





Striving to create the conditions that will allow every Oregon graduate to be professionally proficient in English and functionally proficient in another language by 2025

France in the US

- The US was the #1 destination for French investments abroad in 2011
- France is the 8th largest provider of goods and services in the US
- France was the 11th largest client of US goods and services
- More than 2,800 French companies are established in the US, providing about 550,000 jobs

French: Language of Science and Culture

- More Nobel Prize winners in Literature than any other country (Marie Curie, Camus, Simon, Modiano)
- Numerous artistic movements began in France (Impressionism, Dadaism, Surrealism, Existentialism, New Wave, etc.)
- Enormous impact on the world of cooking and cuisine (Escoffier, Bocuse, ...)
- Fashion (Chanel, Dior, Yves Saint-Laurent, J-P Gaultier...)
- France has a long history of scientific research and discovery (Descartes, Pascal, La Condamine, Lavoisier, Pasteur, Curie...)

Major / Minor in French

- Many students who major in French plan to
 - Pursue graduate degrees in a number of fields
 - Enter the world of Fashion
 - Work in the field of Art (production, curator)
 - Go into Publishing
 - Work in Education
- Many student combine their interests
 - Double Majoring in French allows you to be even more competitive

What are French & Francophone Studies?

- Major: 10 credits. The new major would consist of a shift to a more inclusive approach to the French-speaking world, a multi-disciplinary methodological approach, and the inclusion of courses taught in English within the major requirements.
- FFS is the study of
 - Language
 - History
 - Culture
 - Literature
- Not only France, but other French-speaking parts of the world
 - The Americas
 - Northern and Western Africa
 - Asia and the Pacific

Major Requirements

Core Courses

FREN 331 (W) French Composition and Discussion

FREN 336 (TH) French and Francophone Studies I

FREN 337 (IT) French and Francophone Studies II

FREN 492 (W) Research and Discussion of Selected Topics in Literature

(FREN 331 W and FREN 492 W are the only two writing-centered courses that could be used toward the FFS major and minor.)

Three credits in literature, from the following (3)

- FREN 241 History Through Film 4th-Semester Option
- IDS 322 (IT) Idea of Europe
- FREN 340 (IT) Readings in French Literature
- FREN 341 (IT) Oral Tradition and Performance
- FREN 430 (TH) Civilization and its Critics
- FREN 432 (US) Language in Society
- FREN 438 (IT) (TH) Topics in Cinema
- FREN 439 (IT) Advanced Topics in Literature

Three courses may be selected from ELECTIVE areas: one course from the Arts and Humanities; one course from the Social Sciences; and one from either.)

- ANTH 232 (US) Peoples and Cultures of Africa (1)
- ARTH 246 (TH) Modern Art [Europe and America]: 1890-1945 (1)
- ARTH 247 (TH) 18th- and 19th-Century Art History (1)
- ARTH 259 (TH) Western Medieval Art and Architecture (1)
- CLHI 250 (IT) Introduction to Comparative Literature and the History of Ideas (1)
- HIST 119 Introduction to Modern African History (1800-present) (1)
- HIST 254 20th-Century Europe (1)
- HIST 273 Africa Since 1945 (1)
- HIST 320 European Intellectual History: The Enlightenment (1)
- HIST 321 European Intellectual History: The 19th-Century (1)
- HIST 322 European Intellectual History: The 20th-Century (1)
- MUSC 462 (IT) History and Literature of Art Song (1)
- PHIL 238 Existentialism (1)
- POLI 316 The Politics of International Justice (1)
- POLI 370 (W) Europe and the International System (1)
- POLI 384 Transnational Feminist Politics (1)
- POLI 387 Africa and the World (1)
- REL 230 Modern European Christian Thought (1)

Study Abroad

- Many students choose to do a summer or semester-long program abroad
 - Dept. sponsored: CUPA (Paris) or CIDEF (Angers)
 - Many other programs in francophone countries such as Belgium, Switzerland, Senegal, Marocco, and Carribeans.
 - Between 10 and 15 students go abroad every year.
- Contact the Office for International Education if you are interested!

2016 Summer Program in Dakar:

FILM, CULTURE & DEVELOPMENT IN WEST AFRICA

Program Director: Amadou Fofana, Assoc. Professor of French at Willamette University

and Courtesy Professor at the University of Oregon

This six week program offers students the opportunity to experience the culture, society, politics and language of Senegal by living and studying in the vibrant and cosmopolitan city of Dakar. Students will also gain professional experience through service learning placements in local non-profit organizations. Willamette students must apply through Indiana University's application system. Begin your application now.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Contact Professor Amadou Fofana (afofana@willamette.edu)

French @ WU and in Salem

- French Club
 - Open to all WU students
 - Food, games, community service
- Language Learning Center
- Alliance Française in Portland
- Informal get-togethers of French-speakers
- Many French restaurants in Oregon
- Oregon vineyards

Journée d'Immersion 2016



Merci et à bientôt !