

Global Languages& Cultures

BA Minors 4+1 MAT

The study of world languages brings you opportunities to discover new worlds and connect with other cultures. Learning another language will make a difference in how you view the world and how the world views you. It expands the outlook and interests of the educated citizen, and cultivates a spirit of tolerance and understanding. Enlightened citizenship is key to being able to function in today's global environment.

The Global Languages and Cultures (GLC) department offers a variety of languages which vary from semester to semester. These include Spanish, French, Italian, German and more. Courses focus on written and oral language skills as well as culture and

Spanish Major

literature. Degree programs include:

- French Minor
- Spanish Minor

Skills Developed

The ability to communicate with and relate to customers, coworkers and colleagues of other cultures is a key need in our inter-connected world. Students will not only gain proficiency in oral and written language skills but will also enhance their awareness of the social and cultural influences in a variety of different geographic locations. Skills developed include speaking, listening, reading, writing, and cross-cultural communication, and you will explore topics in areas such as linguistics, civilization, film, cultural diversity, equality, political rights and social justice.

Curriculum overview

All students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree (including returning students and transfers from other universities, colleges or community colleges) must satisfy a language requirement. Your personal path within the GLC department is determined by a variety of placement tests and proficiency checks. Possible courses include a progression of learning within a given language with 101, 102, 201 and 202 level coursework. Other classes might include:

- Contemporary Italian History through Film
- Introduction to 20th Century Spanish Fiction, Poetry, and Theater
- French Literature in Translation
- Business Spanish
- Conversational German
- Italian Renaissance Art
- Spanish for Portuguese Speakers

Top Jobs

- High School Teachers (average salary \$50,529)
- Interpreters (average salary \$40,179)
- Translators (average salary \$40,179)
- Liaison Officers (average salary \$72,872)
 9 out of 10 US employers advise that they rely on employees with language skills other than English. A double major or minor in a language supports students in earning in demand careers when they graduate!

Graduate School Placements

- Brown University
- Columbia University
- Northeastern University School of Law
- Southern New Hampshire University
- University of Ottawa

Sample Alumni Careers

- Area high schools
- Boston Medical Center
- FEMA
- US Armed Forces
- New England Aquarium
- Canada Border Service Agency
- Harper Collins
- Quadrant Health Strategies

Opportunities

- Teacher Preparation 4+1 Program
- Honors College
- Language Learning & Multimedia Center



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