

Learning another language not only opens personal and professional doors, but also allows you to experience the world in new ways through the development of a deeper cultural awareness.

In the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature at UNO, our goal is to provide students with the linguistic and cultural proficiency required of a global education. Language study at UNO provides a myriad of opportunities to use the language you are studying both within and outside of the classroom through study abroad opportunities and engagement in the Omaha community. Award-winning faculty, small class sizes, technology-enhanced curricula, and opportunities to connect to other students characterize our programs.

If you are interested in developing your linguistic skills as well as an international perspective, the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature at UNO is the right choice for you.

Concentrations Available in Foreign Languages & Literature:

- Spanish
- French
- German

Coursework Also Available In:

- Japanese
- Mandarin Chinese
- Latin

Knowledge & Skills Gained as a Foreign Languages & Literature Major:

- **Communication:** Foreign language majors gain skills in oral expression, critical reading, translation/interpretation, clear writing, and editing in foreign languages.
- **Human Relations:** Appreciation for other cultures, adaptability to different environments, and receptivity to new ideas are developed by both studying abroad and studying other cultures.
- **Research & Problem Solving:** Comparison of ideas, problem identification, developing problem solving techniques, and information analysis are skills strengthened with a foreign language major.
- **Education & Instruction:** Many foreign language majors gain valuable instructional skills by tutoring others in both the oral and written aspects of the language.

Foreign Languages & Literature Major at a Glance:

Number of majors: 94

Degree offered: B.A.

Credit hours needed: 30 (upper division)

Number of minors: 189

Minors offered: French, German, Spanish

Career Opportunities:

By nature, Liberal Arts majors make great employees in any field because of their ability to communicate effectively, think critically and solve complex problems. These timeless skills make them attractive to employers in all walks of society. Specifically though, Foreign Language & Literature majors often pursue careers as:

- International Business Administrator
- Foreign Languages Teacher
- Study Abroad Advisor
- Translator/Interpreter
- Law Enforcement Officer
- Foreign Services Officer
- Immigration Agent
- International Relations Specialist
- Non-Profit Administrator
- Linguist

When the Foreign Languages & Literature (FLNG) major is matched with complementary minors, majors and thoughtful internships, new possibilities arise.

A few examples are:

- **FLNG** + Business minor + industry internship = International Business Administrator
- **FLNG** + Medical school = Physician, who can work with diverse communities across the globe in programs like “Doctors Without Borders” or the World Health Organization
- **FLNG** + Teaching certificate = Foreign Languages public school teacher
- **FLNG** + Social Work major = Social worker, who is able to communicate with more members in a community
- **FLNG** + Criminal Justice = Law Enforcement Officer
- **FLNG** + Latino/Latin American Studies = Non-Profit Manager
- **FLNG** + International Studies = Foreign Service Officer

Student Opportunities:

- **Sigma Delta Pi** - Spanish National Honor Society
- **Tertulia** - Spanish conversation hour
- **Pi Delta Phi** - French National Honor Society
- **Stammtisch** - A weekly German conversation table between students and faculty
- Variety of service learning opportunities

Did you know?

Being bilingual makes you smarter. Bilingual brains are structurally different from monolingual brains, containing a thicker layer of grey matter. Bilinguals are better and quicker at solving certain puzzles and problems than their monolingual counterparts.

For More Information:

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