

## **Departmental Policy Statement: Foreign Languages**

### **College of Arts & Sciences**

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#### ***Curriculum***

Every student who pursues a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Arts and Sciences is required to take six hours of course work in the 2000 level in a foreign language. If in the foreign language placement exam the student passes beyond the 2020 level to level 3301 or higher, the student is exempted from studying a foreign language. Every student who pursues a Bachelor of Science in the College of Arts and Sciences is required to take six hours of foreign language courses at the 1020 level and above. If after taking the foreign language placement exam the student is placed into 2020 or higher, he or she is exempted from taking a foreign language.

The Department of Foreign Languages offers a major with three concentrations:

- 24 upper division course hours in one language: French, German, Latin or Spanish
- 27 upper division hours with a concentration in two languages with a minimum of nine semester hours in one language
- A three-language concentration: 33 hours of upper division courses with 12 hours in each of two languages plus approved course work in a third language

In the Master of Arts program, the student may choose to pursue an M. A. in Romance Languages with a concentration in French or Spanish, or an M. A. degree in either French or Spanish. Students are required to take 30 hours when writing a thesis; 33 hours when not. Students are required to take a minimum of six semester hours in linguistics and coursework outside the language of concentration. At least 23 hours must be taken in 7000 language courses. The student must be able to read in a foreign language other than that of concentration. He or she must pass a comprehensive written and oral examination after completion of all course work. If a thesis is presented, an oral examination on the thesis is required.

#### ***Purpose and Scope of the Collection***

The University of Memphis Libraries supports the curriculum by purchasing foreign language books. Foreign language books are purchased that are ordered by members of the Department of Foreign Languages teaching faculty.

#### ***Cooperative Agreements***

None specified.

#### ***Geographical Coverage***

Course offerings cover North America, Central America, South America, Central America, Spain, Italy, France and Francophone countries, and Germany.

#### ***Period Coverage/Date of Publication Range***

Period coverage dates from ancient Greece and Rome to the development of the medieval Romance languages and the Renaissance as well as of contemporary language and literature.

#### ***Languages***

The primary languages of the Foreign Languages Department are French, German, ancient Greek, Italian, Latin, and Spanish.

#### ***Types of Materials***

Monographs:

Monographs are primary to the collection.

Serials/Series:

Periodical subscriptions support the Foreign Language Department.

Microforms:

Research collections and dissertations are purchased on microforms when deemed relevant.

Theses/Dissertations:

Dissertations are frequently acquired as needed or requested.

Audio/Visual:

Video and audio materials are acquired when relevant to the curriculum.

### ***Location of Materials Collection***

Almost all foreign language materials are located in McWherter Library, the main facility on campus at the University of Memphis. Items in the circulating collection are on floors 3 and 4, periodicals are on floor 2, and reference titles on floor 1. Some materials are available in the Department of Foreign Languages.

### ***Special Collections***

None specified.

### ***Subject Areas by LC Classification***

Catalan literature	PC3801 - PC3899
Classical literature	PA3301 - PA3671
French diaries	PQ1284
French essays	PQ1211 - PQ1241
French fiction	PQ1261 - PQ1279
French language	PC2001 - PC3761
French letters	PQ1285 - PQ1288
French literature	PQ1 - PQ3999
French poetry	PQ1160 - PQ1193
French prose literature	PQ1243 - PQ1279
French wit and humor	NC1295
German drama	PT1251 - PT1299
German essays	PT1354
German fiction	PT1321 - PT1340
German language	PF3001 - PF5999
German letters	PT1348 - PT1352
German literature	PT1100 - PT1479
German poetry	PT1151 - PT1241
German prose literature	PT1301 - PT1340
German wit and humor	PN6193 - PN6195
Germanic languages	PF3001 - PF5999
Greek drama	PA3461 - PA3468
Greek fiction	PA3487.E7
Greek language	PA201 - PA1179
Greek letters	PA3487.E4
Greek literature	PA3051 - PA4505
Greek poetry	PA3431 - PA3459
Greek prose literature	PA3473 - PA3475
Greek wit and humor	PA3469.W5
Italian drama	PQ4227 - PQ4245
Italian essays	PQ4260
Italian fiction	PQ4251 - PQ4257
Italian language	PC1001 - PC1977
Italian letters	PQ4259
Italian literature	PQ4001 - PQ5999
Italian poetry	PQ4207 - PQ4225
Italian prose literature	PQ4247 - PQ4263
Italian wit and humor	PN6203 - PN6205
Japanese diaries	PL771
Japanese drama	PL764 - PL769
Japanese essays	PL772 - PL772.83
Japanese fiction	PL770 - PL777
Japanese language	PL501 - PL700

Japanese literature	PL700 - PL889
Japanese poetry	PL757 - PL763
Latin drama	PA6137
Latin fiction	PA6091
Latin language	PA2001 - PA2995
Latin letters	PA6139.E7
Latin literature	PA6101 - PA6139
Latin poetry	PA6121 - PA6135
Latin prose literature	PA6138 - PA6139
Latin wit and humor	PA6137.5.W5
Russian drama	PG3240 - PG3255
Russian essays	PG3293
Russian fiction	PG3270 - PG3286
Russian language	PG2001 - PG2847
Russian letters	PG3292
Russian literature	PG2900 - PG3580
Russian poetry	PG3230 - PG3238
Russian wit and humor	PN6209 - PN6211
Spanish American literature	PQ7801 - PQ8560
Spanish drama	PQ6217 - PQ6241
Spanish essays	PQ2620
Spanish fiction	PQ6251 - PQ6257
Spanish language	PC4001 - PC4977
Spanish literature	PQ6001 - PQ8929
Spanish poetry	PQ6174.95 - PQ6215
Spanish prose literature	PQ6247 - PQ6264
Spanish wit and humor	PQ6263

***Related Areas of Collection***

Anthropology	English	Art
Business and Economics	Center for Research on Women	History
Humanities	Music	Communications
Philosophy	Curriculum and Instruction	Psychology
Sociology		