

# Foreign Language

## Department Faculty

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## Department Goals

To aid students in:

1. gaining knowledge and appreciation of languages other than English; that is, their linguistic structure and the cultures and literatures that make use of these languages;
2. achieving an appropriate level of proficiency in each of the five language skills: understanding, speaking, reading, writing and cultural knowledge;
3. reaching some understanding of language as an important aspect of our being created in the image of God, and as a basic means of expressing God's love and salvation in a meaningful and personal way.

## For General Education

For the general student, the department provides the core courses which incorporate cultural awareness, vocabulary development, structure and functional conversation. Interested and qualified students are encouraged to continue foreign language study in areas such as conversation, literature, history, and culture and linguistics.

## For the Major Field

For French or Spanish majors, the department offers a variety of courses in culture, conversation, literature, structure and writing taught in the foreign language. Majors and minors are immersed in a world view which often differs from that of the dominant American cultural perspective and which incorporates both past and present developments in both the Francophone and Hispanic cultures. Majors in French or Spanish can lead to career opportunities in which a liberal arts education is desirable, such as linguistics, business, missions, government, theology, art history, teaching, travel, journalism, or law. All courses at the 300 level and above are conducted entirely in the foreign language.

## Core Foreign Language Requirement

Proficiency in one year of an elementary-level foreign language is required for the core curriculum. All students who have already begun French, German, Russian or Spanish language studies in high school are expected to sit for a language placement examination at the beginning of their first semester of enrollment. Students demonstrating proficiency at a level of at least 102, the second semester elementary language, either through the placement

examination, transferred college credit, or AP scores will have met this core requirement. Only international students *for whom English is a second language* should contact the Foreign Language Department chair to request exemptions other than those listed above. A few major programs (such as music or biblical studies) have more specific language requirements. Consult the department requirements.

Once a student enrolls at Covenant, online or correspondence language courses will not be approved to satisfy the core requirement of two semesters of the same foreign language study. Only traditionally taught classroom language courses from accredited two or four year institutions of higher learning will be accepted to satisfy this core requirement. However, transferable credit of foreign language coursework completed BEFORE enrolling at Covenant will be accepted.

## Study Abroad

One semester of prior-approved study abroad is required for all foreign language majors. Any student electing to study abroad for a semester or summer in an approved program of study is encouraged to do so *after* the intermediate level in order to profit more effectively from the experience. A minimum of five (5) 300-400 level courses must be taken on the Covenant College campus for those students desiring a major; a minimum of three (3) 300-400 level courses must be taken on the Covenant College campus by students desiring a minor.

A study abroad student typically continues enrollment at Covenant College, paying fees and receiving financial aid or scholarship monies in a normal fashion as though studies were continued on campus. The College then takes the sum of money due to the program and distributes the money in its entirety. Any remaining balance is the responsibility of the student. However, certain valid and approved study abroad programs do not appear in the listing of the Christian Coalition of Colleges and Universities (CCCU) which Covenant College uses as a guideline for study abroad programs. In such cases, a student may choose to temporarily de-enroll from Covenant College requesting a leave of absence for the semester of study abroad, losing the College's financial aid and scholarship monies, and pay the fees of the program on their own. Maclellan Scholars are allowed to utilize their Maclellan Program monies during a study abroad term. Once the student returns to Covenant with credit gained from the overseas program, the aid and scholarship packages will be reinstated as close as possible, according to federal guidelines, to their previous amounts before the semester abroad.

Students planning on a major or minor in French, German or Spanish are reminded that the 100 and 200 level courses do not count toward the major or the minor.

## Teacher Certification

Students who desire teacher certification in French or Spanish should complete a B.A. degree with a major in French or Spanish, then enroll in the one-year Master of Arts in Teaching program at Covenant College. To ensure eligibility for entry to the M.A.T. program, it is recommended that you complete the Education Minor. (See page 78.) Two of the courses in the minor, EDU 222 Educational Psychology and EDU 361 Education of Exceptional Children, are *required* for admission to the program. This program leads to grades 6-12 teacher certification through the state of Georgia and through the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

See Dr. Jim Drexler in Brock Hall 303 (jdrexler@covenant.edu) for more information.

## Requirements for Major in French

The core and distribution requirements for a major in French are those listed for baccalaureate degrees on page 24.

Advanced placement for the AP French Language or French Literature examinations (see page 15 for the minimal passing score) allows students to immediately enroll in 300-level electives. The advanced placement hours awarded will be credited to the graduation requirement of 126 hours.

Students seeking a major in French are required to take nine courses above the intermediate level (202), write and defend a Senior Integration Paper (FRE 492), and elect one foreign language enhancing course for a total of 33 hours in the major. The exemption from or completion of six (6) hours of intermediate level French (FRE 201 and 202) is required prior to pursuing the major requirements.

Core requirements .....	58
Electives.....	35

## French Major and Supporting Course Requirements

FRE 310. French Conversation, or FRE 315. French Conversation and Reading.....	3
FRE 331. French Civilization and Culture I, or FRE 332. French Civilization and Culture II, or FRE 361. French Culture through the Media Arts .....	3
FRE 341 or 342. French Structure and Stylistics I or II.....	3
FRE 351, 352, 353 or 354. French Literature I, II, III or IV 'W' (two courses).....	6
FRE 492. Senior Integration Paper in French 'S' .....	3
French electives: Four FRE-prefix courses beyond FRE 202. ....	12
One foreign language enhancing course. Where applicable, these courses may satisfy both a core and major requirement. ART 302. Art History II, or ENG 211. European Literature in Translation, or	

ENG 235. Introduction to Linguistics, or ENG 266. Reading Film, or ENG 308. The British Novel, or HIS 213. The Formation of Europe, or HIS 214. Age of Europe, or HIS 335. The European Enlightenment, or MUS 371. History of Western Music to 1700, or MUS 372. History of Western Music 1700-1900, or MUS 373. History of Western Music 1900 to Present, or PHI 101. Introduction to Philosophy, or PHI 253. History of Philosophy III, or PHI 254. 20th Century Continental Philosophy, or THF 220. Modern and Contemporary Drama.....	3
Total hours for the major .....	33
Total degree hours .....	126

## Requirements for Major in Spanish

The core and distribution requirements for a major in Spanish are those listed for baccalaureate degrees on page 24.

Advanced placement for the AP Spanish Language or Spanish Literature examinations (see page 15 for the minimal passing score) allows students to immediately enroll in 300-level electives. The advanced placement hours awarded will be credited to the graduation requirement of 126 hours.

Students seeking a major in Spanish are required to take nine courses above the intermediate level (202), write and defend a Senior Integration Paper (SPA 492), and elect one foreign language enhancing course for a total of 33 hours in the major. The exemption from or completion of six (6) hours of intermediate level Spanish (SPA 201 and 202) is required prior to pursuing the major requirements.

Core requirements .....	58
Electives.....	35

## Spanish Major and Supporting Course Requirements

SPA 310. Spanish Conversation, or SPA 315. Spanish Conversation and Reading.....	3
SPA 331. Spanish Civilization and Culture I, or SPA 332. Spanish Civilization and Culture II, or SPA 361. Spanish Culture through the Media Arts.....	3
SPA 341 or 342. Spanish Structure and Stylistics I or II .....	3
SPA 351, 352 or 353. Spanish Literature I, II or III 'W' .....	6
SPA 492. Senior Integration Paper in Spanish 'S' .....	3
Spanish electives: Four SPA-prefix courses beyond SPA 202. ....	12

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ENG 211. European Literature in Translation, or	
ENG 235. Introduction to Linguistics, or	
ENG 266. Reading Film, or	
ENG 308. The British Novel, or	
HIS 213. The Formation of Europe, or	
HIS 214. Age of Europe, or	
HIS 335. The European Enlightenment, or	
MUS 371. History of Western Music to 1700, or	
MUS 372. History of Western Music 1700-1900, or	
MUS 373. History of Western Music 1900 to Present, or	
PHI 101. Introduction to Philosophy, or	
PHI 253. History of Philosophy III, or	
PHI 254. 20th Century Continental Philosophy, or	
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### Requirements for Minor in French

Upper division (300+level) French electives.....12

### Requirements for Minor in German

Upper division (300+level) German electives.....12

### Requirements for Minor in Spanish

Upper division (300+level) Spanish electives.....12

## Arabic Courses

### 101-102. Modern Standard Arabic I, II

Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) is the written language of print media and the spoken language of intellectual communication across the twenty-two countries of the Arab world. This introductory course sequence enables students to read, write, and pronounce Arabic words and sentences; engage in oral and written communication at a beginning level; and gain some exposure to spoken dialects and Arab culture, including Christian Arab culture. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Four hours each.

### 201-202. Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic I, II

Students continue their study of Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) with some exposure to various dialects of Arabic and Arab culture, including Christian Arab culture. The four language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing continue to receive equal emphasis. By the end of the course, students will be able to converse on everyday topics, and read and write at an intermediate level. Prerequisite:

ARA 102. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Three hours each. HUM

## Chinese Courses

### 101-102. Elementary Mandarin Chinese I, II

This course introduces Mandarin Chinese as a second language for non-native speakers at the first year college level. It will use as a primary tool the Active Chinese program, a multimedia curriculum which uses the pinyin phonetic system (based on the English alphabet) as a bridge to the Chinese language. The program approaches Chinese language through theme-based dialogues with oral and written practice in grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and language usage. The content of this course follows the standards of ACTFL and accepted Chinese language curriculums being used in US. Laboratory fee \$25. Four hours each.

## French Courses

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### 101-102. Elementary French I, II

An introduction to the French language, with extensive practice in pronunciation, simple conversation, aural comprehension, fundamentals of grammar, and reading short passages. Basic sentence patterns and grammatical principles will be reinforced through a great many oral and written activities and exercises. Aspects of French culture will also be explored. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Four hours each.

### 201-202. Intermediate French I, II

Continued development of skills in speaking, understanding, reading, and writing French through an extensive study of grammar, selected readings, conversational practice, vocabulary development, and the writing of simple compositions. Aspects of French culture will also be explored. Prerequisite: FRE 102. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Three hours each. HUM

### **310. French Conversation**

Instruction is given in speaking and understanding French in a variety of social and professional situations. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours. 'S'

### **315. French Conversation and Reading**

Extensive conversation and vocabulary practice on a wide variety of topics, correlated with readings of both a journalistic and a literary nature. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours. 'S'

### **320. French Phonetics and Diction**

A detailed study of fine points of pronunciation with extensive oral/aural practice to develop a more correct pronunciation and accent. Prerequisite or to be taken concurrently: FRE 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### **331. French Civilization and Culture I**

A survey of French history and culture from antiquity to the end of the Fourth Republic (1958). The course examines political, social, intellectual, literary and artistic trends, as well as certain influential figures and key types of architecture. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### **332. French Civilization and Culture II**

survey of French history and culture from the beginning of the Fifth Republic (1958) to the present. The course examines political, social, intellectual, literary and artistic trends, as well as aspects of personal values, diversity, education and international French influence. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### **341-342. French Structure and Stylistics I, II**

A study of fine points of grammar with extensive written practice, including the writing of journals and essays, to develop facility in expressing oneself correctly in written form in order to improve critical awareness of stylistics and vocabulary. Each semester will focus on different, lesser-taught structures and nuances of the language. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Three hours for each course.

### **351. French Literature I**

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the Middle Ages, the Renaissance of the sixteenth century, and the Golden Age of French Literature of the seventeenth century to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original French and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Three hours. 'W'

### **352. French Literature II**

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the French Enlightenment of the eighteenth century to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original French and an appreciation for the

richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Three hours. 'W'

### **353. French Literature III**

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the various literary schools of the nineteenth century to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original French and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: FRE 202. Three hours. 'W'

### **354. French Literature IV**

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the twentieth century to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original French and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: FR 202. Three hours. 'W'

### **361. French Culture through the Media Arts**

A study of current and popular French culture and society as perceived and created through various forms of media art (film, news sources, painting, sculpture). Prerequisite: FRE 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### **401. Special Topics in French Language and Literature**

This course offers opportunities for concentration in various areas of interest within the discipline such as specialized topics or literary criticism, film, civilization and culture or linguistics. Open only to French majors with junior or senior standing, to others only with the permission of the instructor. May be repeated once for additional credit. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### **492. Senior Integration Paper in French**

This research project is required of all students majoring in French and is to be taken in addition to the eight 300/400 level courses required for the major. The paper/project is to be written and defended entirely in French. The student will explore and analyze a topic related to the discipline of French in light of Christian philosophy. The study will ordinarily result in a written paper of between 15 and 20 pages, although other sorts of projects are permitted if approved by the student's first reader. Upon completion of the paper or project there is a final oral exam. Prerequisite: a minimum of seven (7) 300/400 level courses completed. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours. 'S'

## German Courses

All students who have already begun German language studies in high school are expected to sit for a language placement examination at the beginning of their first semester of enrollment. This placement will determine if the student has proficiency to fulfill the core foreign language requirement, and/or at what level the student would begin courses at Covenant.

### 101-102. Elementary German I, II

An introduction to the German language with extensive practice in pronunciation, simple conversation, aural comprehension, fundamentals of grammar, and reading short passages. Basic sentence patterns and grammatical principles will be reinforced through a great many oral and written activities and exercises. Laboratory exercises are a required component of these courses. Aspects of German culture will also be explored. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Four hours each.

### 201-202. Intermediate German I, II

Continued development of skills in speaking, understanding, reading, and writing German through an extensive study of grammar, selected readings, conversational practice, vocabulary development, and the writing of simple compositions. Aspects of German culture will also be explored. Prerequisite: GER 102. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Three hours each. HUM

### 310. German Conversation

Instruction is given in speaking and understanding German in a variety of social and professional situations. Prerequisite: GER 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours. 'S'

### 315. German Conversation and Reading

Extensive conversation and vocabulary practice on a wide variety of topics, correlated with readings of both a journalistic and a literary nature. Prerequisite: GER 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours. 'S'

### 320. German Phonetics and Diction

A detailed study of fine points of pronunciation with extensive oral/aural practice to develop a more correct pronunciation and accent. Prerequisite or to be taken concurrently: GER 202 or equivalent. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### 340. Advanced German Grammar and Composition

A study of fine points of grammar with extensive written practice, including the writing of essays to develop facility in expressing oneself correctly in written form. Prerequisite: GER 202. Three hours. 'W'

### 351. German Literature I

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the Middle Ages to the start of the period of the Enlightenment to develop enjoyment in reading literature in the original German and an appreciation for the richness and variety of the literature. Prerequisite: GER 202. Three hours. 'W'

### 352. German Literature II

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the Enlightenment, through the *Sturm und Drang* until the end of Romanticism to develop enjoyment in reading literature in the original German and an appreciation for the richness and variety of the literature. Prerequisite: GER 202. Three hours. 'W'

### 353. German Literature III

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the Post-romantic period to the end of the First World War to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original German and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: GER 202. Three hours. 'W'

### 354. German Literature IV

Reading and discussion of a selected series of literary works from the authors of the Post-World War I era, through the years of the Third Reich to the present day to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original German and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: GER 202. Three hours. 'W'

### 361. German Culture through the Media Arts

A study of current and popular German culture and society as perceived and created through various forms of media art (film, news sources, painting, sculpture). Prerequisite: GER 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

## Greek Courses

### 175-176. Elementary Greek I, II

An introduction to New Testament Greek with an emphasis on word formation, vocabulary, and basic syntax. The Koine dialect from the New Testament period will be studied. Four hours each.

### 277-278. Intermediate Greek I, II

Continued study of New Testament Greek. Emphasis is placed on vocabulary and syntax. Prerequisite: GRE 176. Three hours each.

### 400. Reading in the Greek New Testament

This course may be an independent study or done as a small class. The purpose of this course is to develop further reading skills in Koine Greek. The amount of credit will be

determined by the amount of translation done. There will be continued work in vocabulary and grammar. Pre-requisite: GRE 278. One to Three hours.

## Hebrew Courses

### 191-192. Elementary Hebrew I, II

An introductory study of biblical Hebrew with emphasis on word formation, vocabulary, and basic syntax. Some reference will be made to modern Hebrew. Offered on demand. Four hours each.

### 200. Intermediate Hebrew and Reading in the Hebrew Old Testament

This course may be an independent study or done as a small class. The purpose of this course is to develop further reading skills in Biblical Hebrew. The amount of credit will be determined by the amount of translation done. There will be continued work in vocabulary and grammar. Pre-requisites: completed at least one year of Biblical Hebrew. One to Three hours.

## Spanish Courses

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### 101-102. Elementary Spanish I, II

An introduction to the Spanish language with extensive practice in pronunciation, simple conversation, aural comprehension, fundamentals of grammar, and reading short passages. Basic sentence patterns and grammatical principles will be reinforced through a great many oral and written activities and exercises. Aspects of Hispanic culture will also be explored. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Four hours each.

### 201-202. Intermediate Spanish I, II

Continued development of skills in speaking, understanding, reading, and writing Spanish through an extensive study of grammar, selected readings, conversational practice, vocabulary development, and the writing of simple compositions. Aspects of Hispanic culture will also be explored. Prerequisite: SPA 102. Laboratory fee \$25 each semester. Three hours each. HUM

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### 331. Hispanic Civilization and Culture I

A survey of peninsular Spanish history and culture from antiquity to the present. The course examines political, social, intellectual, literary and artistic trends, as well as certain influential figures and key types of architecture. Prerequisite: SPA 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

### 332. Hispanic Civilization and Culture II

A survey of Hispanic history and culture in Latin America (and North America) from the pre-Columbian era to the present. The course examines political, social, intellectual, literary and artistic trends, as well as aspects of personal values, diversity, education and international Hispanic influence. Prerequisite: SPA 202. Laboratory fee \$25. Three hours.

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### 351. Hispanic Literature I

Reading and discussion of a selected series of Peninsular literary works and authors from the Middle Ages to the end of the nineteenth century to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original Spanish and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: SPA 202. Three hours. 'W'

### 352. Hispanic Literature II

Reading and discussion of a selected series of Peninsular literary works and authors from the end of the nineteenth century to the present to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original Spanish and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: SPA 202. Three hours. 'W'

**353. Hispanic Literature III**

Reading and discussion of a selected series of Latin American literary works and authors from the colonial era to the present to develop an enjoyment in reading literature in the original Spanish and an appreciation for the richness and variety of literature. Prerequisite: SPA 202. Three hours. 'W'

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