

FOUNDATION PROGRAM - FRENCH (B.A.) (30 CREDITS)

Offered by: Arts - Dean's Office

Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Program credit weight: 30

Program Requirements

The Bachelor of Arts Foundation Year is designed to ensure that students gain a broad foundation for the three-year degree program. It is comprised of 24-30 credits in one of two program options. In the "En français" or French option, students choose up to 18 credits from a variety of courses conducted in French. These credits may be comprised wholly of language courses, wholly of substantive content courses conducted in French, or a combination of the two.

Degree Requirements — B.A. students

To be eligible for a B.A. degree, a student must fulfil all Faculty and program requirements as indicated in Degree Requirements for the Faculty of Arts.

We recommend that students consult an Arts OASIS advisor for degree planning.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please refer to Visual Schedule Builder. A technical issue is causing the "Terms offered" field to incorrectly report "this course is not currently offered" for many courses in the Course Catalogue.

Core Requirement (18 credits)

Based on their proficiency in French, students select 18 credits from the courses below in French Language and Literature and French as a Second Language.

French Language and Literature Courses (FREN)

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Course	Title	Credits
FREN 201	Le français littéraire (français langue seconde).	3
FREN 203	Analyse de textes (français langue seconde) .	3
FREN 231	Linguistique française.	3
FREN 239	Stylistique comparée.	3
FREN 245	Grammaire normative.	3

French as a Second Language (FRSL)

Depending on their level of proficiency, students may include a maximum of 12 credits of intensive French language courses. An intensive language course is a 6 credit term course. Students at the introductory level must take at least 6 credits in French in their Freshman/Foundation year but may be permitted to complete the remaining core requirement credits in year U1.

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Course	Title	Credits
FRSL 101	Beginners French 1.	3
FRSL 102	Beginners French 2.	3
FRSL 103	Near Beginners French.	3
FRSL 104	Corrective French Pronunciation.	3
FRSL 105	Intensive Beginners French.	6
FRSL 206	Elementary French.	3
FRSL 207D1	Elementary French 01.	3
FRSL 207D2	Elementary French 01.	3
FRSL 208	Intensive Elementary French.	6
FRSL 211D1	Oral and Written French 1.	3
FRSL 211D2	Oral and Written French 1.	3
FRSL 212	Oral and Written French 1.	3
FRSL 215	Oral and Written French 1 - Intensive.	6
FRSL 302	Listening Comprehension and Oral Expression 1.	3
FRSL 303	Listening Comprehension and Oral Expression 2.	3
FRSL 321D1	Oral and Written French 2.	3
FRSL 321D2	Oral and Written French 2.	3
FRSL 322	Oral and Written French 2.	3
FRSL 325	Oral and Written French 2 - Intensive.	6
FRSL 332	Intermediate French: Grammar 01.	3
FRSL 333	Intermediate French: Grammar 02.	3
FRSL 407	Compréhension et expression orales.	3
FRSL 408	Français oral: Textes et expressions.	3
FRSL 431D1	Français fonctionnel avancé.	3
FRSL 431D2	Français fonctionnel avancé.	3
FRSL 432	Français fonctionnel.	3
FRSL 445	Français fonctionnel, écrit 1.	3
FRSL 446	Français fonctionnel, écrit 2.	3
FRSL 449	Le français des médias.	3
FRSL 455	Grammaire et création.	3

Substantive Content Courses Taught in French

Some subject area courses or "substantive content courses" are taught in French. Some courses may be offered in French and English in alternate years. POLI 226 La vie politique québécoise. listed below is such a course. When taught in French, such courses may be counted toward this program.

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Course	Title	Credits
POLI 226	La vie politique québécoise.	3

Remaining Credits (12 credits)

Students select the remaining credits (normally 12) for their Freshman/Foundation year from a list of approved courses for Arts Freshman/Foundation Year students. This list is found with requirements for the

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Freshman/Foundation Year - General option on the Arts OASIS website
at: <http://www.mcgill.ca/oasis/>.