

## Foreign Languages

The Mission of the Foreign Language curriculum is to provide students with a balanced and well-sequenced selection of courses that will permit them to develop a communicative ability using all of the major tenses and forms of the target language, to increase cross-cultural awareness, and to build a significant active and passive vocabulary appropriate to a wide range of practical, daily-life situations. This mission is accomplished through grammar, literature, culture/civilization and related courses. While classroom work includes the four key skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking, there is a special emphasis on development of the student's listening comprehension and speaking abilities.

### Learning Outcomes: Foreign Languages

Five key learning outcomes have been identified for students completing a minor:

1. Students will acquire skills in speaking, listening comprehension, reading and writing in the target language.
2. Students will acquire a basic knowledge of the cultural context of the target language.
3. Students will read and study representative selections of the literature of the target language, and acquire a knowledge of its major characteristics.
4. Students will understand and be able to use the common grammatical structures of the language.
5. Students will acquire a vocabulary that is applicable to daily life events and activities.

### Special Notes:

Foreign Language courses are offered pending availability of qualified instructors.

Courses in Chinese are offered at Capital Normal University in Beijing, China, as part of the College's international travel/study program.

### Minor in French or Spanish

### 18 Credits

A minor in French or Spanish consists of at least 18 credits in the chosen language, of which at least 9 credits must be at or above the 300 level. The minor must include:

- One composition and/or conversation courses
- One civilization/culture course
- One literature course

Sample Minor in Spanish: Spanish: 151, 152, 220, 251, 325, 331, 351

### Minor in Modern Languages

### 21 Credits

A minor in Modern Languages consists of at least 21 credits (at least 9 credits in each language), of which at least 9 credits in one language must be at or above the 200 level. Sample Minor in Modern Languages:

- Spanish 220, 251, 325, 332
- French 151, 152, 251