

FRENCH LANGUAGE, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The Certificate of Achievement in French Language promotes fluency in French and an understanding of French culture. This twenty-unit program of study of a second language and its culture prepares students to interact competently with French-speaking people in a variety of settings, including, but not limited to, education, retail, hospitality, travel, medicine, entertainment, and community services. The program assists students who are seeking careers in a wide variety of fields that value multilingualism and multiculturalism, and/or cater specifically to French-speaking consumers. The Certificate of Achievement establishes French linguistic and cultural fluency as a foundation for further studies in French in the areas of global studies, teaching French language, literature and linguistics. The need for court and medical translation and interpreting jobs is progressively growing in California as per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, and this CoA provides our students with opportunities to succeed in this growing market. This certificate leads to AA degrees in Global Studies, Spanish and World Languages.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Speak, listen, read and write French to communicate at an intermediate-high level as defined by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).
- Explain cultural differences at a third-semester level of understanding.

Certificate of Achievement Requirements

| Code | Title | Units |
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| Required Core | | |
| FREN 1A | Elementary French I | 5 |
| FREN 1B | Elementary French II | 5 |
| FREN 2A | Intermediate French | 5 |
| FREN 2B | Advanced French | 5 |
| Total Units | | 20 |

Please refer to the graduation requirements section of the Catalog for information about degree and certificate requirements including Reading and Writing, Mathematics, Information Competency, and General Education requirements.