

## DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

### School of Humanities

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The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures plays a major role in the promotion of language studies and intercultural awareness and communication. Through a well-designed curriculum, it provides a solid foundation for a global perspective and helps students acquire strong translingual and transcultural competence to be effective citizens in today's global society.

The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures offers a broad program that emphasizes oral and written proficiency in such languages as Arabic, French, Japanese, and Spanish.

#### Language Placement Examinations

All students who have previously studied a language, in a school or otherwise, must take the Language Placement Examination before continuing their study of the language at Lincoln. This will allow the Department to place students into the level of instruction that best meets their existing abilities. This exam is administered by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures and is given in the spring, just prior to Pre-registration for the fall semester (for returning students), and during Orientation Week in the fall semester (for new and transfer students). Results are normally posted 24 hours after the examination in the Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures.

Once students are placed, they are expected to follow the appropriate sequence of courses until completion of the departmental requirements. Students who test above the 202 level are eligible for the Bachelor of Arts degree and are encouraged to pursue the language as a minor or major.

#### Credit by Placement Examination

Students may earn credits for foreign language courses when they demonstrate proficiency at or beyond the level of the courses. The courses will be added to the student's transcript with a notation that the credits were earned by placement examination and with a grade of "P" (pass). Credits earned by placement examination are not included in the computation of grade point averages. Students who are eligible to receive credit by

placement examination will receive a memorandum from the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures that they may take to the Office of the Bursar for payment of the required fees (see Tuition and Fees, p. 25) and then to the Office of the Registrar for placement of the entries on the transcript.

### Study Abroad

Lincoln University recognizes the tremendous value of study abroad and therefore encourages its students to consider a number of opportunities for international studies.

Foreign language majors are required to have a study abroad/total immersion experience. Students with a minor in a foreign language are strongly encouraged to study abroad. Students have studied abroad in such countries as China, Russia, Mexico, Spain, Costa Rica, France, Morocco, Japan, Belgium, Botswana, Nigeria, and Egypt.

The cost of studying abroad, including transportation, tuition, and living expenses in some cases may be less than the cost of studying at Lincoln. Student financial aid can be used to pay for the costs of most study abroad programs.

Students may study abroad at a foreign institution for a single semester, an academic year, or over the summer. Students in semester programs usually earn 15 to 18 credits just as they would as a full-time student on campus.

Students who are majoring in a foreign language will generally want to select a program that offers full-time study of the language, literature, and culture of the country. Students who are just minoring in a foreign language may be able to select a program that combines the study of the language with regular college level courses that can satisfy requirements of their majors.

### **The French Major**

FRE-101 Elementary French I  
FRE-102 Elementary French II  
FRE-201 Intermediate French I  
FRE-202 Intermediate French II  
FRE-301 Advanced French Composition and Conversation I  
FRE-302 Advanced French Composition and Conversation II  
Five additional French courses at the 300-400 level  
One semester of study abroad in a French-speaking country

### **The French Education Major**

A student wishing to become a French language teacher must complete a major in French, and satisfy all the requirements for a second major in Secondary Education. The

requirements for a second major in Secondary Education are defined in the section for the Department of Education.

EDU-201 Introduction to Education – 3 credits  
EDU-202 Educational Psychology – 3 credits  
EDU-203 The Education and Psychology of the Exceptional Child – 3 credits  
EDU-205 Speech for Education Majors – 3 credits  
EDU-207 Sophomore Field Experience – 1 credit  
EDU-302 Methods in Secondary Education – 3 credits  
EDU-303 Reading in the Content Areas – 3 credits  
EDU-422 Research Seminar – 3 credits  
EDU-401 Student Teaching – 12 credits  
EDU-305 Educational Technology – 3 credits  
EDU-307 Junior Field Experience – 1 credit  
EDU-330 Effective Classroom Mgmt Techniques – 3 credits

### **The Spanish Major**

SPN-101 Elementary Spanish I  
SPN-102 Elementary Spanish II  
SPN-201 Intermediate Spanish I  
SPN-202 Intermediate Spanish II  
SPN-301 Advanced Spanish: Composition and Conversation I  
SPN-302 Advanced Spanish: Composition and Conversation II  
Five additional Spanish courses at the 300-400 level  
One semester of study abroad in a Spanish-speaking country

### **The Spanish Education Major**

A student wishing to become a Spanish language teacher must complete a major in Spanish, and satisfy all the requirements for a second major in Secondary Education. The requirements for a second major in Secondary Education are defined in the section for the Department of Education.

EDU-201 Introduction to Education – 3 credits  
EDU-202 Educational Psychology – 3 credits  
EDU-203 The Education and Psychology of the Exceptional Child – 3 credits  
EDU-205 Speech for Education Majors – 3 credits  
EDU-207 Sophomore Field Experience – 1 credit  
EDU-302 Methods in Secondary Education – 3 credits  
EDU-303 Reading in the Content Areas – 3 credits  
EDU-422 Research Seminar – 3 credits  
EDU-401 Student Teaching – 12 credits  
EDU-305 Educational Technology – 3 credits  
EDU-307 Junior Field Experience – 1 credit

EDU-330 Effective Classroom Mgmt Techniques – 3 credits

**THE ARABIC MINOR**

ARA-101 Elementary Arabic I

ARA-102 Elementary Arabic II

ARA-201 Intermediate Arabic I

ARA-202 Intermediate Arabic II

ARA-301 Advanced Arabic I

ARA-302 Advanced Arabic II

Two additional Arabic courses at the 300-400 level

**The French Minor**

FRE-101 Elementary French I

FRE-102 Elementary French II

FRE-201 Intermediate French I

FRE-202 Intermediate French II

FRE-301 Advanced French Composition and Conversation I

FRE-302 Advanced French Composition and Conversation II

Two additional French courses at the 300-400 level

**The Japanese Minor**

JPN-101 Elementary Japanese I

JPN-102 Elementary Japanese II

JPN-201 Intermediate Japanese I

JPN-202 Intermediate Japanese II

JPN-301 Advanced Japanese I

JPN-302 Advanced Japanese II

Two additional Japanese courses at the 300-400 level

**The Spanish Minor**

SPN-101 Elementary Spanish I

SPN-102 Elementary Spanish II

SPN-201 Intermediate Spanish I

SPN-202 Intermediate Spanish II

SPN-301 Adv.Spanish Compos./Conversation I

SPN-302 Adv.Spanish Compos./Conversation II

Two additional Spanish courses at the 300-400 level

**Language Assistants**

Each year professionals, whose mother tongues are Arabic, French, Japanese and

Spanish, are invited to campus to serve as language assistants. The Language Assistants teach small classes, supervise and sponsor the language clubs, and serve as a general cultural resource for the University.

### **Language Laboratory**

A 20-position language laboratory is located in Ware Center. Its use is required in elementary and intermediate language courses. The laboratory also has computers and software that can be used for tutorials and further practice in a language.

### **Honor Societies**

Language students may qualify for membership in Alpha Mu Gamma National Foreign Language Honor Society.

### **Job Opportunities**

A limited number of jobs are available in the department. Students help with the language laboratory, serve as tutors for others experiencing difficulty with languages, and work as clerical office assistants. The department also attempts to acquaint students with career opportunities for language majors as well as for students with some language background. Resource persons and alumni are invited to campus at various times for this purpose.

The department also has a sizeable language-oriented career library. Lincoln's language program is designed to complement a liberal education by developing competence in understanding, speaking, reading and writing a foreign language. The program will prepare students for graduate school. Completion of Lincoln's language program will enable the student to enter private business, work in tourism, the federal government and Foreign Service jobs, in translation and interpretation, and in any area that requires knowledge of a foreign language.

### **Language Clubs**

Arabic, French, Japanese, and Spanish Clubs offer students the opportunity to practice their languages outside the classroom. The groups also sponsor cultural and social events; attend plays, lectures, and international events; and invite interesting speakers to the campus.

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