

Major:

Modern Language Studies (B.A.)

Departments/Programs:

Modern Languages

Modern Language Studies (47 hours)

The Modern Language Studies major is comprised of four elements: Language Concentration, Study Abroad/Modern Language Studies Core Courses, Senior Comprehensive, and Modern Language Studies Electives.

1. Language Concentrations - Select One	32 hours
French	32 hours
MFREN 2010 French Stage 3: Cultural Perspectives	4 hours
MFREN 2020 French Stage 4: Global Connections	4 hours
24 hours beyond MFREN 2020 French Stage 4: Global Connections*	
8 credit hours must be at the 4000 level, and 4 of these 4000-level credit hours must be taken after studying abroad.	24 hours
German	32 hours
MGRMN 2010 German Stage 3: Cultural Perspectives	4 hours
MGRMN 2020 German Stage 4: Global Connections	4 hours
24 hours beyond MGRMN 2020 German Stage 4: Global Connections*	
8 credit hours must be at the 4000 level, and 4 of these 4000-level credit hours must be taken after studying abroad.	24 hours
Spanish	32 hours
MSPAN 2010 Spanish Stage 3: Cultural Perspectives	4 hours
MSPAN 2020 Spanish Stage 4: Global Connections	4 hours
MSPAN 3100 Spanish Composition	4 hours
<i>Core Skill Courses in Spanish - select 4 hours from the following:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>MSPAN 3010 Spanish Conversation</i> • <i>MSPAN 3020 Introduction to Spanish Phonetics</i> • <i>MSPAN 3030 Reading Spanish</i> • <i>MSPAN 3040 Spanish Grammar Review</i> • <i>MSPAN 3050 Spanish Language and Writing</i> • <i>MSPAN 3060 Spanish Reading/Grammar Review</i> 	4 hours
16 hours beyond MSPAN 3100 Spanish Composition*	
4 credit hours must be at the 4000 level, and must be taken after studying abroad.	16 hours
Other Language	32 hours
Select courses in another language, as approved by the Department Chair.	

*For all language concentrations, 12 of the credit hours must be earned in a semester abroad in the Language of Concentration of an approved host country and program. At least 4 credit hours at the 4000 level must be completed at NWU following the semester abroad.

2. Modern Language Studies Core Courses	2 hours
Students majoring in Modern Language Studies are required to incorporate a study abroad experience of a minimum of one semester (12 credit hours) in the language of their Concentration. For information on the many available exchange programs and financial aid and scholarship options, students should talk with the Director of Global Engagement and visit the library of study abroad resources.	
In conjunction with the semester abroad, students must also complete either GLST-2010 before studying abroad or GLST-3010 following study abroad.	1 hour
MLANG-3910 is taken during the semester abroad. *0 hours may be approved by department chair for students studying abroad through non-ISEP exchange program.	1 hour*
3. Senior Comprehensive	2 hours
MLANG 4980 Senior Capstone	
4. Modern Language Studies Electives	11 hours

- Credits may be earned as additional hours of language study for Language Concentration, or in a second or third language.
- Credit may be earned in courses taught outside the Modern Language Department that support the study of languages and/or cultures - refer to list of approved courses. Other courses must be pre-approved by the Department Chair.

Additional Considerations

- Majors preparing to teach a modern language should consult the Education Department.
- In the exceptional circumstance of a student who has already declared a first major in another department with the intent of earning a B.S. degree, a student may submit a petition to the Department of Modern Languages seeking permission to declare a second major in Modern Language Studies for a B.S. degree.