Nebraska Wesleyan University

Modern Language Studies (B.A.)

Catalog

2026-2027

Departments

1. Modern Languages

Modern Language Studies (B.A.**, 36 hours)

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

Important Update

Classes beyond stage 2 in French, German, and Japanese will no longer be offered after the 2027-28 academic year. Students wishing to declare these concentrations should speak with the Associate Dean of the College of Public and Global Affairs.

1. Language Concentrations - Select One	28 hours
French	
28 hours of MFREN at the 2000, 3000 and 4000 level. *Of the 28 credits required, a minimum of 4 credits of MFREN must be from the 3000/4000 level; a minimum of 4 credits must be from 4000 level.*	
German	
28 hours of MGRMN at the 3000 and 4000 level. *Of the 28 credits required, a minimum of 4 credits of MGRMN must be from the 3000/4000 level; a minimum of 4 credits of MGRMN must be from 4000 level.*	
Spanish	
28 hours of MSPAN at the 3000 and 4000 level. *Of the 28 credits required, a minimum of 4 credits of MSPAN must be from the 3000/4000 level; a minimum of 4 credits of MSPAN must be from 4000 level.*	
Other Language	
Select courses in another language, as approved by the associate dean.	

2. Modern Language Studies Electives	4 hours

- Credits may be earned in any Modern Languages departmental courses (MFREN/MGRMN/MJPAN/MLANG/MSPAN) not counted toward the 28 hours of 2000/3000/4000 credit for the Language of Concentration.
- Select courses in another language, as approved by the associate dean.

3. Modern Language Study Abroad and Capstone Courses	4 hours

For all language concentrations, students must complete a study abroad experience (or similar immersive experience approved in advance by the Department of Modern Languages) in the Language of Concentration of an approved host country and program. Students are highly encouraged to complete a semester-long study abroad program.

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.

Following the study abroad experience, students must also complete:

MLANG 3030 Processing the International Experience	1 hour
MLANG 4990 Senior Project	2 hours
MLANG 4980 Senior Capstone	1 hour

Additional Considerations

- Majors preparing to teach a modern language should consult the Education Department.

***A Modern Language Studies major customarily earns a B.A. degree. However, if a student has a first major that is associated with a different baccalaureate degree, the Modern Language Studies major may serve as a second major for the degree associated with the first major (B.S., B.FA., B.M., B.S.N.).*