

FRENCH AND FRANCOPHONE STUDIES, B.A.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Career Paths

With a B.A. degree in French, students have a variety of pathways open to them. Our graduates have gone on to pursue a myriad of exciting careers that have allowed them to use their proficiency in the French language, understanding of French and Francophone cultural artefacts, grasp of French and Francophone ways of seeing and making sense of the world, and the skills of critical thinking acquired in our classrooms

Careers

Our majors have taught in France as Fulbright Scholars or on French government teaching assistantships; worked for the Peace Corps, Homeland Security, the State department, world health organizations, and the non-profit sector; pursued careers in the foreign service; become high school teachers, university professors, and instructional designers; and gone into film, journalism, advertising, fashion, public relations, and information technology — among many other professions.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Our graduates have gone on to pursue graduate studies in French, Comparative Literature and other disciplines within the humanities. Many have also opted to pursue Law school, Medical school, and advanced degrees in International Politics, Public Health, International Studies and Art History.