

FRENCH MINOR FOR TEACHING CERTIFICATION
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The **minor in French** (State Code: FA) for Secondary teachers consists of 20 credits numbered 311 and above.

Teacher candidates are required to pass an oral proficiency exam at the advanced low level prior to certification. Study abroad for a minimum of eight weeks in a French-speaking country is strongly recommended to enhance the teacher candidate's fluency in the language as well as further his/her chances of successfully passing the oral proficiency exam. If French education minors choose to study abroad, they are advised to take the oral proficiency exam directly after returning from their study abroad experience.

Teacher candidates for certification in this minor must pass the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) in French (Test #023). MTTC content exams should not be taken until 90% of course work in the subject area has been completed. A study guide is available at the MTTC website: (http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/PDFs/MI_field023_SG.pdf).

The courses below meet State standards and have been selected so that teacher candidates will be well prepared for the test. Knowledge must be demonstrated in the following categories:

Subarea	Approximate % of Questions on Test
1. Listening Comprehension	15%
2. Reading Comprehension	15%
3. Language Structures and Comparisons	15%
4. Cultural Understanding, Comparisons, and Connections	15%
5. Language Acquisition, Instruction, and Assessment	20%
6. Writing	20%

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR DEGREE EVALUATION IN KNOWHOPE PLUS IN ADDITION TO THIS DOCUMENT TO DETERMINE FULFILLMENT OF COURSE REQUIREMENTS

ADVANCED LANGUAGE, LITERATURE & CULTURE COURSES – REQUIRED (12 credit hours):

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
FREN 311	French Grammar & Phonetics	4		
FREN 341	Introduction to French Culture and Society	4		
LING 364	Intro to Descriptive Linguistics	4		

ELECTIVES - SELECT TWO OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES (8 credit hours):

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
FREN 313	French Conversation	4		
FREN 343	Contemporary France	4		
FREN 344	Francophone Cultures	4		
FREN 441	The Francophone Experience	4		
FREN 443	Early Modern French Studies	4		
FREN 444	Contemporary French Cultural Studies	4		
FREN 495	Studies in French Culture	4		

METHODS COURSE - REQUIRED (4 credits) **This course MUST be completed prior to the student teaching semester!** (The foreign language methods course is considered pedagogy and is NOT a part of the 20 hour minor but IS counted toward requirements for teacher certification.)

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
EDUC 388	Teaching of Second and World Languages K-12	3		
EDUC 389	Teaching of Second and World Languages K-12 Field Placements	1		