FRENCH IMMERSION STREAM

La prochaine étape de votre parcours bilingue

immersion.uOttawa.ca
THE SUPPORT YOU NEED

**Immersion Courses**
These help you transition to university courses in French.

A 3-hour content course
- A regular course (e.g. biology, economics, history) taught in French
- A Language teacher attends class with French Immersion students

A 1.5-hour accompanying language course
- Based on material in your content course
- Focused on comprehension skills
- Limited to 25 students to allow for more interaction
- Designed to develop your network of bilingual students

$1,000 BURSARY
Taking one content course plus one accompanying language course each term qualifies you for a French Studies Bursary worth $1,000 a year.

Qualitative grades
Peace of mind in courses taught in French
- Choose a Pass/Fail grade instead of a numerical grade; it doesn't count in your academic average.
- Take up to eight courses with Pass/Fail grades during your first two years of studies.

Note: Not available in the Faculty of Science and the Faculty of Engineering.

Étudiants Mentors à votre service
Our student mentors have been there themselves, so they understand what you’re thinking and feeling! They can help you with so many aspects of university.

- Nervousness about your French
- Class selection
- Tips for succeeding in courses taught in French
- Finding the right resources on campus

Contact them at mentor.imm@uOttawa.ca

**COURSES**

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Besoin d’aide en français?
- Academic Writing Centre
- Conversation workshops
- French Second Language courses
- Course discussion groups
- Science Help Centre (math, physics, chemistry, biochemistry)
- Faculty mentoring centres

Write exams and assignments in French or in English!
Submit work in either language in most courses, except language courses.
Three French immersion students’ journeys

Meaghan
First-year student

J’ai choisi le régime d’immersion dans l’espoir d’améliorer mon français et de m’ouvrir beaucoup de portes en sciences de la santé après mes études.

At first, I was extremely overwhelmed. I doubted myself every time I went to my classes in French. I had trouble understanding the professors’ lectures. I had to put a lot more effort into the readings. But the immersion courses and the mentoring centre provided me with a base foundation of security, confidence and success.

Michelle
uOttawa French immersion graduate, 2019

I came into the program totally afraid to speak in French, but this experience pushed me to get out of my comfort zone and embrace the language. Now, more than half of the work in my current job is in French, and I wouldn’t have imagined that four years ago.

Mon meilleur conseil pour les élèves du secondaire : si vous avez le moindrement envie de vous inscrire, faites-le. Après avoir passé tant de temps à apprendre le français, persistez encore quelques années. Ça vaut la peine.

Noah
Third-year student

I chose to continue French Immersion in university, since I realized the benefits of being bilingual and having the ability to speak French in the workplace. More doors are open, pay is potentially higher, and it makes me more competitive compared to other candidates.

Pour réussir, il est important de travailler fort, avec constance et détermination. Mon français, notamment à l’écrit, s’est énormément amélioré, et j’ai enrichi mon vocabulaire. C’est exactement ce que j’espérais accomplir en m’inscrivant en immersion à l’Université d’Ottawa.

Hear more from these students and others at immersion.uOttawa.ca

Take your French outside the classroom

• Explore the Ottawa-Gatineau region and its everyday bilingual life: restaurants, festivals, movies, plays, etc.
• Apply your bilingualism to a CO-OP placement, volunteer opportunity or part time job.
• Allez étudier en français lors d’un échange international!
It pays to study in French
Earn up to $14,000 automatically

Automatic Scholarships at uOttawa

**First year:** Admission Scholarship
Receive up to **$4,000**, depending on your admission average.

**Subsequent years:** Merit Scholarship
Receive a **$1,000** scholarship every term you study full time and achieve a Grade Point Average of 8.5 or higher (roughly equivalent to 83%). (Up to $6,000)

**Every year:** French Studies Bursary
Receive **$1,000** a year for taking two courses taught in French every term. (Up to $4,000)

**Bursaries worth $3,000 for your first year of study!**
Until 2023, uOttawa will distribute hundreds of these bursaries* to new French immersion students. Be sure to apply!

**Earn more with these high school contests**
We’re proud to partner with organizations that promote French in high schools.

- **Concours national de rédaction**
  Write a 750-word essay in French.
  **Awards:** $1,000 to $12,000
  **Deadline:** in December
  french-future.org/programs/essay-contest

- **Immersion Clip**
  Create a 30- to 90-second video in French.
  **Awards:** $4,000 to $12,000
  **Deadline:** in February
  acpi.ca/concours/immersion-clip

- **Concours d’art oratoire**
  Give a three to five minute speech in French.
  **Awards:** $4,000 to $12,000
  Occurs throughout the school year.
  cpf.ca

For complete details on scholarships and contests, immersion.uOttawa.ca/en/contests-scholarships

*Bursaries and scholarships are reserved for Canadian students. International students are eligible for Differential tuition fee exemption.
We recommend that you take two courses in French per term to develop your French proficiency, meet the requirements and to receive a French Studies Bursary.
UNLIKE ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD

What you do

Study bilingually by taking 35% of your courses in French

Découvrir le monde francophone

Become more bilingual in your field of study

What you get

French Studies Bursary up to $4,000

Special immersion courses to help you transition to university in French

Submit written work in either French or English (in most classes)

Choose Pass/Fail grades for courses taken in French*

* Not available in the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Engineering

A truly bilingual experience

The University of Ottawa is the world’s largest French-English university.

- 28,000 in English
- 13,000 in French
- 2,500 in French immersion

70% des cours sont offerts en anglais et en français

Our Students

15% did core French
11% did extended French
62% did French immersion
12% did other forms of French

French immersion students have better:

admission averages
university grades
graduation rates
satisfaction rates

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