FRENCH IMMERSION STREAM
La prochaine étape de votre parcours bilingue

Arts
Engineering
Health Sciences
Management
Science
Social Sciences

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75+ programs offer the French Immersion Stream

**FACULTY OF ARTS**
- Art History
- Communication
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Greek and Roman Studies
- History
- Indigenous Studies
- Medieval and Renaissance Studies
- Music (BA) / Music Studies
- Philosophy
- Religious Studies
- Second-Language Teaching
- Theatre
- Visual Arts (BA)

**JOINT HONOURS**
- Biochemistry & Chemical Engineering (Biotechnology)
- Commerce & Juris Doctor
- Communication & Political Science
- Communication & Sociology
- Computer Science & Mathematics
- Data Science (Mathematics) & Computer Science
- History & Political Science
- Mathematics & Economics
- Philosophy & Political Science
- Physical Geography & Geomatics
- Physics & Electrical Engineering

**FACULTY OF ENGINEERING**
- Computer Science (BSc)
- Software Engineering (BASc)

**FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES**
- Health Sciences
- Human Kinetics (BHK and BSchK)
- Nursing

**FACULTY OF SCIENCE**
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biomedical Science
- Biopharmaceutical Science
- Chemistry
- Environmental Geoscience
- Environmental Science
- Financial Mathematics and Economics
- Geology
- Geology-Physics
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Physics-Mathematics
- Statistics

**TELFER SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT**
- Accounting
- Business Technology Management
- Finance
- Healthcare Analytics
- Human Resource Management
- International Management
- Management
- Marketing

**FACULTY OF MEDICINE**
- Translational and Molecular Medicine (apply in 2nd year)

**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**
- Anthropology
- Anthropology and Sociology
- Conflict Studies and Human Rights
- Criminology
- Criminology and Women's Studies
- Economics
- Economics and Political Science
- Economics and Public Policy
- Environmental Economics and Public Policy
- International Development and Globalization
- International Economics and Development
- International Studies and Modern Languages
- Political Science
- Political Science and Juris Doctor
- Psychology (BA and BSc)
- Public Administration
- Public Administration and Political Science
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Feminist and Gender Studies
- Feminist and Gender Studies and Political Science
- Feminist and Gender Studies and Sociology

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**Path to French Immersion**

**January**
- Apply for a program taught in English with the French Immersion Stream.

**March–April**
- Pass our online Immersion Entry Test (deadline May 1).

**Late May**
- Choose your courses.
- Contact us to choose courses appropriate for your level of French.

**June–August**
- Pratique ton français.

**September**
- Bienvenue à uOttawa!

**French Immersion Stream requirements**
- Take 14 or more courses taught in French
- Pass the Second Language Certification Test in third or fourth year
- For full details, see immersion.uottawa.ca/en/requirements

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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

Bursary up to $4,000

Special language 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*

Who's it for?
Anyone who studied French as a second language in high school. Demonstrate your French Skills by passing our Immersion Entry Test.

Our Students

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

A truly bilingual experience

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

- 28,000 in English
- 12,500 in French
- 2,000 in French immersion

70% des cours sont offerts en anglais et en français

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!*

French immersion students have better:

- admission averages
- university grades
- graduation rates
- satisfaction rates
THE SUPPORT YOU NEED

Resources to help you succeed

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 TRANSCRIPT QUALITATIVE GRADES

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AVERAGE 83% 85%

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 content courses
It pays to study in French
Earn up to $14,000 automatically
Pay your tuition with scholarships and awards

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)

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

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

**Concours national de rédaction**
(French for the Future)
Write a 750-word essay in French.
**Awards:** $1,000 to $12,000
**Deadline:** in December
[french-future.org/programs/essay-contest](http://french-future.org/programs/essay-contest)

**Immersion Clip**
(Canadian Association of Immersion Teachers)
Create a 30- to 90-second video in French.
**Awards:** $4,000 to $12,000
**Deadline:** in February
[acpi.ca/concours/immersion-clip](http://acpi.ca/concours/immersion-clip)

**Concours d’art oratoire**
(Canadian Parents for French)
Give a three to five minute speech in French.
**Awards:** $4,000 to $12,000
Occurs throughout the school year.
[cpf.ca](http://cpf.ca)

For complete details on scholarships and contests,

* The French as a Second Language bursary program is administered by the Association des collèges et universités de la francophonie canadienne and Canadian Heritage as part of the Government of Canada’s commitment to bilingualism.
Three French immersion students’ journeys

**Meaghan**

First-year student

I chose French immersion because I wanted to improve my French, so it could open many doors when I entered the health science field after my degree. 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.

**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.

In order to be successful, you have to work hard, stay on track and not lose focus. My French has improved immensely. My vocabulary has expanded and my writing has greatly improved. That is exactly what I was hoping to accomplish while in the FI program at uOttawa.

**Michelle**

2019 graduate

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.

My number one tip for high school students is if you have even the slightest inclination to try it, you should. After studying French for so long, stick with it for few more years. It’s worth it.

Hear more from these students and others at [immersion.uOttawa.ca](http://immersion.uOttawa.ca)