

FRENCH IMMERSION STREAM

*La prochaine étape de votre
parcours bilingue*



- Arts
- Engineering
- Health Sciences
- Management
- Science
- Social Sciences

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 Doctor¹
 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 Doctor¹
 Psychology (BA and BSc)
 Public Administration
 Public Administration and Political Science
 Social Work²
 Sociology
 Feminist and Gender Studies
 Feminist and Gender Studies and Political Science
 Feminist and Gender Studies and Sociology

¹ 60% of this program is done in French, including all Juris Doctor courses.

² 60% of this program is done in French, including all social work courses.

Path to French Immersion



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*

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

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

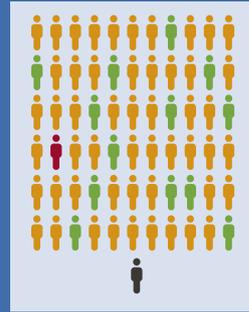
- A regular course (e.g. biology, economics, history) taught in French
- A Language teacher attends class with French Immersion students



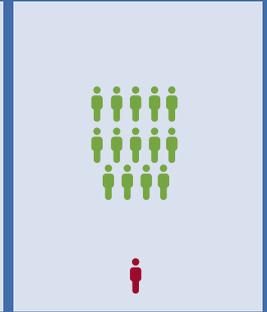
A 1.5-hour accompanying language course

- 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

Content course in French



Accompanying language course



\$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
COMMUNICATION	85%	85%
ENGLISH	85%	85%
POLITICAL SCIENCE	75%	75%
SOCIOLOGIE (IN FRENCH)	75%	SATISFACTORY
FRANÇAIS LANGUE SECONDE (IN FRENCH)	90%	90%
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.



Canada



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



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



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



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

* 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