

# 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)

## FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Computer Science (BSc)  
 Computer Science & Mathematics  
 Data Science (Mathematics)  
 & Computer Science  
 Software Engineering (BASc)

## JOINT HONOURS

Communication & Political Science  
 Communication & Sociology  
 History & Political Science  
 Mathematics & Economics  
 Philosophy & Political Science  
 Physical Geography & Geomatics

## FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Food and Nutrition Sciences  
 Health Sciences  
 Human Kinetics (BHK and BSCHK)  
 Nursing

## FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Biochemistry  
 Biochemistry & Chemical  
 Engineering (Biotechnology)  
 Biology  
 Biomedical Science  
 Biopharmaceutical Science  
 Chemistry  
 Environmental Geoscience  
 Environmental Science  
 Financial Mathematics  
 and Economics  
 Geology  
 Geology-Physics  
 Mathematics  
 Physics  
 Physics & Electrical Engineering  
 Physics-Mathematics  
 Statistics

## TELFER SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

Accounting  
 Business Technology Management  
 Commerce & Juris Doctor<sup>1</sup>  
 Finance  
 Healthcare Analytics  
 Human Resource Management  
 International Management  
 Management  
 Marketing

## FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Anthropology  
 Anthropology and Sociology  
 Conflict Studies and Human Rights  
 Criminology  
 Criminology and Feminist and  
 Gender Studies  
 Economics  
 Economics and Political Science  
 Economics and Public Policy  
 Environmental Economics  
 and Public Policy  
 Feminist and Gender Studies  
 Feminist and Gender Studies  
 and Political Science  
 Feminist and Gender Studies  
 and Sociology  
 International Development  
 and Globalization  
 International Economics  
 and Development  
 International Studies  
 and Modern Languages  
 Political Science  
 Political Science and Juris Doctor<sup>1</sup>  
 Psychology (BA and BSc)  
 Public Administration  
 Public Administration  
 and Political Science  
 Social Work<sup>2</sup>  
 Sociology

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

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

## 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](https://immersion.uottawa.ca/en/requirements)

**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.**

# THE SUPPORT YOU NEED

## Immersion Courses

These help you transition to university courses in French.

### A 3-hour content course

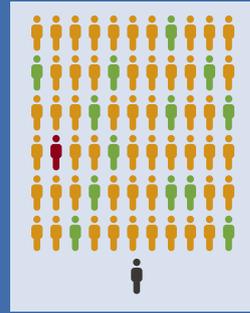
- A regular course (e.g. biology, economics, history) taught in French
- A Language teacher attends class with French Immersion students



### 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

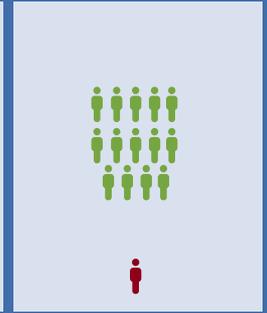
### Content course in French



 Francophone Students

 Content Professor

### Accompanying language course



 French Immersion Students

 Language Teacher

## \$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](mailto: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%
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>85%</b>

## 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.



## 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.



## 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.

Hear more from these students and others at  
[immersion.uOttawa.ca](https://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 \$7,000 automatically

### Automatic Scholarships at uOttawa

#### First year: Admission Scholarship

Receive up to **\$3,000**, depending on your admission average.

#### 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!



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

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

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

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,  
[immersion.uOttawa.ca/en/contests-scholarships](http://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.

Bursaries and scholarships are reserved for Canadian students. International students are eligible for Differential tuition fee exemption.

## UNLIKE ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD

### What you do

#### Study bilingually

by taking at least 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.

- 29,000 in English
- 14,500 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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