

French and Linguistics

University of Edinburgh

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Content

French is a major world language, spoken in many parts of Europe, Africa and the Americas. On this programme, you will study the French language in the context of the diverse countries, cultures and societies in which it is spoken.

Intensive language training, including a year abroad, gives you the opportunity to develop advanced speaking, writing, reading and translating skills in French.

We will introduce you to the extraordinary richness and variety of the Francophone world through the study of: literature and cinema; political history and social movements; and philosophical ideas.

Our courses cover material from the Middle Ages to the 21st century and include specialist options in key disciplines such as decolonial, gender, and film studies, all taught by leading experts.

Linguistics

Linguistics examines how language works, describing how sounds, words, sentences and conversations combine to express and create meaning.

You will also study different aspects of language, including: its uses in everyday life; how its use varies across society and evolves over time; and how it is mastered by children.

As you progress through the programme, you will have the opportunity to plan and test scientific hypotheses about linguistic phenomena using specialist linguistics and phonetics equipment.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

RQ11

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Department

Literatures, Languages and Cultures

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

4 Highers at AABB (first sitting) or 4 Highers at AAAB (two sittings) including a language other than English plus National 5 French at B (if not held at Higher) and English at C.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (two sittings) including a language other than English plus National 5 French at B (if not held at Higher) and English at C. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting.

SCQF Level

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