FRENCH AND AN ASIAN OR AFRICAN LANGUAGE BA / UCAS CODE: RT19 2020 ENTRY

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French and an Asian or African Language BA /

The French components of this four-year programme are taught and taken at UCL, and the Asian or African language components at SOAS University of London, our near neighbour. As a joint degree taught by UCL and SOAS you will have the benefits of being a student at both universities including access to the SOAS Library collections and resources. There is a strong emphasis on spoken and written language work and the opportunity to undertake interdisciplinary study.

Key information

Programme starts
September 2020

Location
London, Bloomsbury

Degree benefits

// We provide an ideal environment for language study. We offer a wider range of languages and state-of-the-art facilities, including a well-equipped language learning suite, and many of our academic staff are world-leaders in their fields.

// The Year Abroad gives you the chance to attend a university or work overseas. During this time you will finesse your language skills in your target language(s) and gain valuable experience which will enhance future learning as well as career prospects.

// UCL has a very international population, meaning you will meet people from all over the world, which provides numerous opportunities to practise and speak your chosen languages with native speakers and learn about the associated cultures and societies from them.

// Our location in London provides access to frequent and varied cultural events, a huge range of museums, galleries, specialist libraries and bookshops, theatres, cinemas, cuisines and cultural societies.

Degree structure

In each year of your degree you will take a number of individual modules, normally valued at 15 or 30 credits, adding up to a total of 120 credits for the year. Modules are assessed in the academic year in which they are taken. The balance of compulsory and optional modules varies from programme to programme and year to year. A 30-credit module is considered equivalent to 15 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

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Your African or Asian language will be taught by SOAS, University of London.

In your first, second and final years you will take modules in your chosen language and the literature, culture, history and linguistics related to it, as well as modules in your other discipline. You may also take modules offered by the School of European Languages, Culture & Society (SE LCS), which offer an interdisciplinary perspective, drawing on the full range of specialisms within the school.

You will spend your third year abroad, split between two countries where your chosen languages are spoken. You will achieve the same linguistic competence regardless of whether you start a language from scratch or have previous knowledge of it.

YEAR ONE

Core or compulsory module(s)

- Modules in your chosen languages
- Literature, culture, history and linguistics modules related to your chosen language
- You should consult both departmental websites to see the modules for each part of your degree.

YEAR TWO

Core or compulsory module(s)

- Modules in your chosen languages
- Literature, culture, history and linguistics modules related to your chosen language
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YEAR THREE

Year abroad

- Your Year Abroad is split between a French-speaking country (arranged by SELCS) and a country where your Asian or African language is spoken (arranged by SOAS).
- You must undertake a work placement or British Council language assistantship abroad or a combination of the two (subject to language choice/availability/approval).
- The experiences and skills developed while abroad further academic and personal development, cultural and social awareness, provide a foundation for further study and enhance career prospects.
- For further information on the Year Abroad please visit the SELCS Year Abroad website.

FINAL YEAR

Core or compulsory module(s)

- Advanced modules in your chosen languages
- Literature, culture, history and linguistics modules related to your chosen language
- You should consult both departmental websites to see the modules for each part of your degree.
Your learning

Your language classes focus on developing the active skills of speaking, listening, writing and reading through a variety of methods and media. You will be taught through a combination of lectures and seminars, as well as undertaking web-based study and group work.

Assessment

Modules are assessed by a mixture of written and oral examinations, essays and other forms of coursework.

Your career

There are many career opportunities for UCL’s modern language graduates. We seek to embed within our teaching the acquisition of transferable skills as well as linguistic and cultural knowledge.

Popular career paths for modern language graduates include the financial sector, the civil service, journalism, accountancy, publishing, education, advertising, the media and law. Some graduates pursue careers that make special use of their language skills, including translating, interpreting and teaching, while others continue with graduate training and research.

Your application

Application for admission should be made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). Applicants currently at school or college will be provided with advice on the process; however, applicants who have left school or who are based outside the United Kingdom may obtain information directly from UCAS.

In your application, you should demonstrate an interest in the literature, culture and history of the languages you are proposing to study. Involvement in cultural activities in the languages (i.e. reading newspapers and magazines, watching television and films or engaging with relevant communities) is regarded favourably, as is travel to the country or countries in question.

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Entry requirements

**A LEVELS**

**Standard Offer:** AAB. French required at grade A.

**Contextual Offer:** ABB. French required at grade A.

**GCSE**

English Language at grade B or 6, plus Mathematics at grade C or 5. For UK-based students, a grade C or 5 or equivalent in a foreign language (other than Ancient Greek, Biblical Hebrew or Latin) is required. UCL provides opportunities to meet the foreign language requirement following enrolment, further details at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs)

**IB DIPLOMA**

**Standard Offer:** 36 points. A total of 17 points in three higher level subjects including French grade 6, with no score lower than 5.

**Contextual Offer:** 34 points. A score of 16 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5, to include French grade 6.

**CONTEXTUAL OFFERS – ACCESS UCL SCHEME**

As part of our commitment to increasing participation from underrepresented groups, students may be eligible for a contextual offer as part of the Access UCL scheme. For more information see [www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus)

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

UCL considers a wide range of UK and international qualifications for entry into its undergraduate programmes. Full details are given at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals)

**UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATORY CERTIFICATES (International foundation courses)**

UCL Undergraduate Preparatory Certificates (UPCs) are intensive one-year foundation courses for international students of high academic potential who are aiming to gain access to undergraduate degree programmes at UCL and other top UK universities.

Typical UPC students will be high achievers in a 12-year school system which does not meet the standard required for direct entry to UCL.

For more information see: [www.ucl.ac.uk/upc](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/upc).

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**TUITION FEES**

The fees indicated are for undergraduate entry in the 2020/21 academic year. The UK/EU fees shown are for the first year of the programme at UCL only. Fees for future years may be subject to an inflationary increase. The Overseas fees shown are the fees that will be charged to 2020/21 entrants for each year of study on the programme, unless otherwise indicated below.

- UK & EU: £9,250 (2020/21)
- Overseas: £21,260 (2020/21)

Full details of UCL’s tuition fees, tuition fee policy and potential increases to fees can be found on the [UCL Students website](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus).

**FUNDING**

Modern European Languages Scholarship [https://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus-students/scholarships/undergraduate/MELS](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus-students/scholarships/undergraduate/MELS)

Various funding options are available, including student loans, scholarships and bursaries. UK students whose household income falls below a certain level may also be eligible for a non-repayable bursary or for certain scholarships. Please see the [Fees and funding pages](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus) for more details.

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**Brexit**

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to: [www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit)

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