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MINFRAN - Introduction

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MINFRAN - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Broaden and/or deepen knowledge and skills in French language and literature and put them to use, in connection with the learning outcomes from your major, in a relevant way in order to study a problem or complex system in literature from within the field in depth, with a view to possibly facilitating the choice of focus and/or options in the student's master. These are the aims of students choosing the [Minor in French Studies \(only available for reenrolment and ELAL Bachelor transitional programmes\)](#) .

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Master in-depth knowledge and skills in particular fields in the subject of their major (in order possibly to facilitate the focus and/or options in their master).
2. Develop an in-depth understanding of the issues in French language and literature relating to studies that complement those studied in the major.
3. Demonstrate in-depth understanding of a large range of critical analysis tools from within the field of French studies, and the ability to use them where appropriate.

Programme

DETAILED PROGRAMME BY SUBJECT

- Mandatory
- ⌘ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2025-2026
- ⊖ Not offered in 2025-2026 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2025-2026 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2025-2026 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫🌐 Not open to incoming exchange students
- [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

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Content:

⌘ Version A (30 credits)

Students may freely choose 30 credits from the total of 4 sections below. Certain sections require an order of progression in the choice of courses (compulsory courses and prerequisite courses).

⌘ French studies

⌘ LFRA1103	La fabrique du texte: French-language literature of the 20th and 21st centuries	Pierre Piret	[FR] [q2] [22.5h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1104	Arts and French literature	Agnès Guiderdoni	[FR] [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1202	French literature from Belgium: literature, language, nation [M]		[FR] [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LROM1360	Critical analysis of Texts: the French Language Theatre	Pierre Piret	[FR] [q1] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1102	French literature: between artistic creation and novelistic analysis	Vincent Engel	[FR] [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1101	These so-called minor literary genres	Severine De Croix	[FR] [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⌘ Linguistics

⌘ LROM1331	Linguistics: Analysis of Language in Context Prerequisite : LROM1222 or LFRA1112		[FR] [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
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⌘ LFRA1111	French grammar and spelling <i>Ce cours n'est pas accessible aux étudiant-es qui ont crédité en 23-24 ou une année antérieure le cours LROM1111 Linguistique: maîtrise et analyse du français normé</i>	Anne-Catherine Simon	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1221	Variation in contemporary French [M]		FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1112	History of the French language	Philippe Hambye	FR [q2] [37.5h+7.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⌘ Examination of Medieval Texts

⌘ LFRA1201	Medieval French literature (12th-15th centuries) [M]		FR [q1] [37.5h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LROM1330	Critical analysis of Medieval Texts : Middle French <i>Prerequisite : LROM1230</i>	Mattia Cavagna	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⌘ Literary Theory and Comparative Literature

⌘ LFIAL1130	European Literatures: Historical and Comparative Approach	Charles Doyen Hubert Roland Marta Sábado Novau (coord.)	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFIAL1330	General and Comparative Literature : Methods and Practices	Marta Sábado Novau	FR [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFIAL1152	Introduction to literary studies		FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⌘ Version B (30 credits)

Version available to Bachelors in Modern Languages and Literatures: General who have chosen French

○ 30 credits chosen from :

Students should choose 30 credits from the courses listed below, providing they are not part of the compulsory subjects in the major.

⌘ LFRA1201	Medieval French literature (12th-15th centuries) [M]		FR [q1] [37.5h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LROM1330	Critical analysis of Medieval Texts : Middle French	Mattia Cavagna	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LROM1360	Critical analysis of Texts: the French Language Theatre	Pierre Piret	FR [q1] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LROM1331	Linguistics: Analysis of Language in Context		FR [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFIAL1330	General and Comparative Literature : Methods and Practices	Marta Sábado Novau	FR [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LEURO1202	Political ideas and values in Europe		FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LCOMU1121	General Semiotics [M]	Andrea Catellani	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1102	French literature: between artistic creation and novelistic analysis	Vincent Engel	FR [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LFRA1101	These so-called minor literary genres	Severine De Croix	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

THE PROGRAMME'S COURSES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

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Teaching method

The courses make use of a variety of teaching techniques and strategies (lectures, group work, individual work, seminars, reading etc.) which help students to acquire the necessary skills. Certain courses also use e-learning techniques (provision of resources and exercises, teaching devices, collective sharing and assessment of work).

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the regulations concerning studies and exams. More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

According to the type of course, there are different forms of assessment. Certain courses have traditional oral and/or written assessments (which take place in the examination periods in January, June and August/September), while seminars involve student participation throughout the semester and the assessment of individual work. Further details on the assessment method are given at the beginning of each course.

Course examinations on communication skills are designed to test performance, that is to say practical use of the language in meaningful situations, which demonstrate students' level of ability.

Teaching activities are assessed in accordance with the rules currently in force at the University (see [General Examination Regulations](#)). Students may also find additional information on the particular methods of assessment in the course descriptions.

To obtain a student's average, the grades awarded for each course unit are weighted by their respective credits.

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

Depending on the minor chosen, some bachelors may also provide access, directly or through supplementary classes, to other master's programmes, such as:

- [Master \[120\] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General](#)
- [Master \[60\] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General](#)
- [Master \[60\] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures](#)
- [Master \[60\] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures](#)
- [Master \[120\] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language](#)

For more information, please read the masters' admission requirements.

List of masters organised by the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters: <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/masters-en-fial.html>

Contacts

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Entity

Structure entity

SSH/FIAL/ELAL

Denomination

(ELAL)

Faculty

Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters (FIAL)

Sector

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Acronym

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