



A variety of languages are offered in the Global Languages department. Students not only have an opportunity to learn a new language, but to also learn about the cultures of people around the globe.

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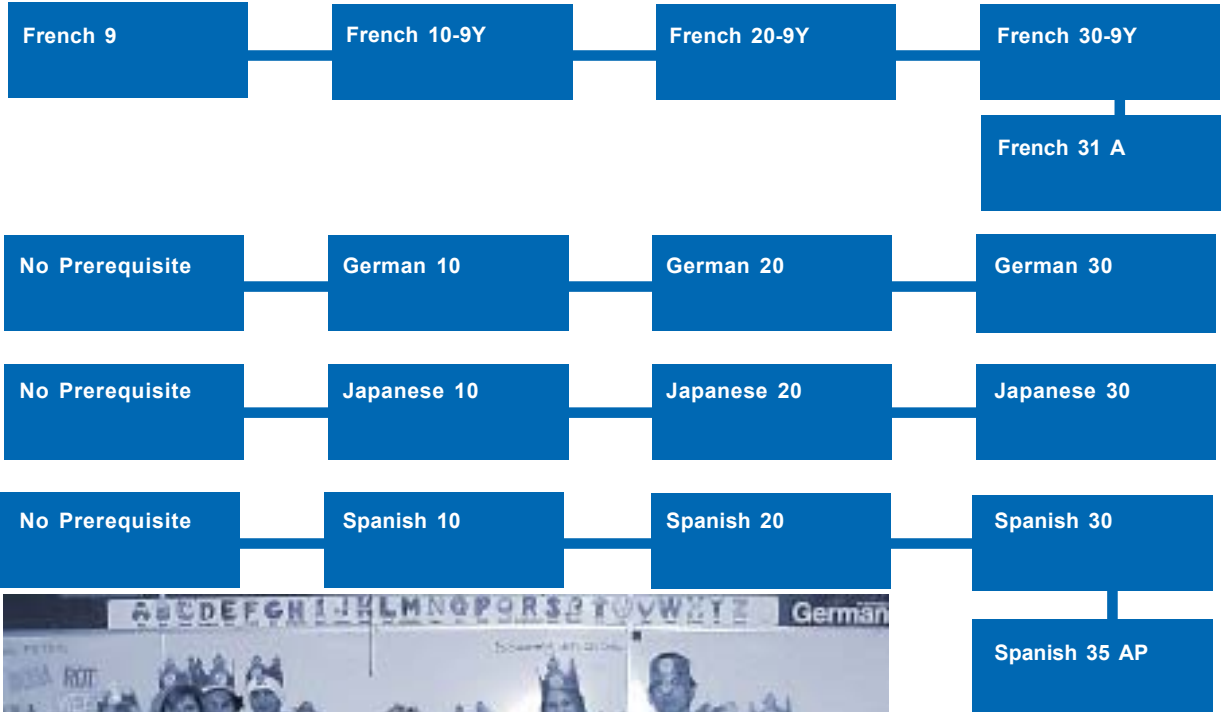
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General Information

A variety of language courses are offered, recognizing that students have differing levels of proficiency and experience in a second language. Students who register in Japanese 10, Spanish 10, and German 10 are assumed to have no previous experience with those languages. Those registering in French 10-9Y are assumed to have studied French for 3 to 6 years and to have finished grade 9 French. Beginners should discuss their registration with the Department Head.

It is recommended that students enrolling in senior high second language courses have a demonstrated proficiency (at the 65%+ level) in Language Arts in junior high.

Students with averages of less than 65% in any given second language course at high school may have difficulty succeeding in the next level course.

Advanced Placement French Language Exams

Students demonstrating an ability and interest in registering for the AP French Language will have an opportunity to take this exam in May. Students are asked to meet with M. McKeever, the French Language AP coordinator, before September 15th to complete required forms.

NOTE: The University of Alberta requires students in the Bachelor of Arts program to take a second language course while at university.

French

French 10-9Y (5 Credits)

This course is intended for students who have experienced French language instruction in grades four through nine (the “nine year program”). Emphasis is equally on oral, aural, writing, and reading skills to enhance communication abilities.

French 20-9Y (5 Credits)

Students will engage in a variety of language activities based on the context, the communication task, and the information and communication technologies available. This course prepares the student for the complexities of the 30 level course.

French 30-9Y (5 Credits)

Students will continue to enhance their communication skills and engage in various language activities. Since this course qualifies students for entrance to some university programs, the expecta-

tions can be fairly demanding. Students who wish to continue their studies of French at university are strongly advised to continue with French 31A.

French 31A (5 Credits)

This course is a logical continuation of French 30 and will prepare students for university level French courses. Students planning to take a university level French course are strongly encouraged to take French 31A in high school.

German

German 10, 20, 30 (5 Credits)

With a communicative approach, German 10, 20 and 30 students will learn meaningful and relevant language skills necessary to function in a German-speaking environment.



Japanese

**Japanese 10, 20, 30
(5 Credits)**

These challenging courses will assist students in training their auditory system to listen for the phonemic sounds of the Japanese language as well as increase their ability to enunciate and to read and write Japanese letters. Classes will also focus on complementary cultural, linguistic activities including Anime and extensive use of visuals. Students registering in this course should possess a genuine desire to learn the language and culture of Japan.

Spanish

**Spanish 10, 20, 30
(5 Credits)**

The communicative approach to language learning is used with the goal of developing the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. A variety of interesting classroom activities will be used to meet this goal, including projects, presentations, skits, dialogues and games.

**Spanish 35AP: Spanish
Language (3 Credits)**

This course is intended for students who have chosen to further develop

their proficiency in all four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Native-like language competency is required due to the advanced nature of course requirements in Spanish conversation and composition. Students may receive college credit. Admission is based on teacher recommendation and is subject to enrolment. Since Spanish 35AP is typically offered in semester two, interested students should plan their Spanish program accordingly.

