

Modern Language at Truman

DISTINCT BY DESIGN

Degree offered

BA

in Modern Language with specializations in: French, German, and Spanish

Minors offered

Asian Studies, Chinese, French, German, Italian Studies, Japanese, Spanish, Spanish Minor for the Professions, Foreign Language Teacher Preparation

The department offers the following languages:

Ancient Greek, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Portuguese, and Spanish.



65

approximate number of students in the major

215

approximate number of students pursuing one of these minors

26

full-time faculty members

81%

of faculty have a PhD

36% (or about 1/3) of Truman students are enrolled in a foreign language class at any given time.

Faculty include native speakers from China, Colombia, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Senegal, and Spain.

62%

of majors are double majoring in another subject

Common double majors include another language, Business Administration, Political Science and International Relations, Biology, Psychology, English, Linguistics, Philosophy/Religion, and History.



Opportunities for hands-on language learning: **The Romance Language House** semi-immersion living-learning community; weekly **conversation tables** in all languages; **service learning** opportunities with native speakers in the community, in the schools, and Taiwan Connect with schools in Taiwan; **immersion weekends** in different languages.



Study Abroad

Faculty-led study abroad programs travel to San José, Costa Rica; Mérida, Mexico; Salamanca, Spain; and Kyoto, Japan (currently postponed due to COVID-19).

Students can prepare to teach a foreign language through Truman's Master of Arts in Education degree in French or Spanish with an option to add ESOL (English for Second Language Learners) certification.

37% of graduates enter graduate school immediately following Truman

“ Truman set me on a path to success with dedicated professors and small class sizes. With language classes being so small, I was able to practice speaking and really get to know my professors - even since graduating, I have kept in contact and continued learning from them. My professors went above and beyond, helping find me experiences in the community with the refugee population and teaching me how to be an engaged member of society. I have been able to take the content I learned in my classes and in the community and use it to get ahead in my career. ”

– **MICHAELA HYLEN PARISI**, Class of 2018
Alumni, currently teaching IB French at Raymore-Peculiar Sr. High School in Peculiar, Missouri
Student organizations: Varsity Cross Country and Track, Alpha Kappa Psi, Pi Delta Phi
Hometown: Des Moines, Iowa

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