

FRENCH Language Exchange Info Sheet

<p>VUW exchange university-partners in France</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ecole normale supérieure (lettres et sciences humaines)</i> • <i>École nationale supérieure de la nature et du paysage</i> • <i>Ecole spéciale d'architecture</i> • <i>Ecole supérieure du commerce extérieur</i> • <i>ESDES School of Management</i> • <i>Université de Savoie</i> • <i>Université de La Rochelle</i> • <i>Université Jean Moulin / Lyon 3</i> • <i>Ecole de Design à Nantes</i> • <i>Université Panthéon-Sorbonne / Paris 1</i> <p><i>Note: Of the above universities, only a few offer courses in English. If you plan to study in French, you must have completed FREN 215 or equivalent before commencing your exchange.</i></p>
<p>Partner universities where I can gain French major credit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>You need to have successfully completed French Language courses for Foreigners (FLE courses) at the appropriate level to get cross-credits towards either FREN 216 or FREN 315.</i> • <i>At the Université de La Rochelle, you can take FLE courses with CUFFLE at no extra cost.</i> • <i>At the Université de Savoie, you can take FLE courses with ISEFE but at an additional cost.</i>
<p>Can I gain French language credit if they study French in a non-French-speaking environment (ie: non-French-speaking Canada)?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No. You can only gain credit on exchange for either FREN 216 or FREN 315 if you study in France (or in a French-speaking, language immersion environment) and if you pass French Language courses for Foreigners (FLE courses) at the appropriate level.</i> • <i>If you have successfully completed a French Language course while on an exchange in a non-French-speaking country, you can apply for an exemption for a corresponding French Language course on your return. For this, you need to present your results and a detailed description (content, level and hours of teaching, assessment) of the language course(s) you took and contact the exchange-liaison within the French Programme as soon as possible. A placement test may be required before you are allowed to proceed with enrolment.</i>
<p>What French courses are required before commencing my exchange?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All undergraduate students must pass FREN 215 before going to study in France.</i>
<p>What if I have been exempt from 100 level French courses?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>You must pass FREN 215 before going to study in France.</i>
<p>What sort of courses should I study overseas to get French major cross-credits at VUW?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FREN 216 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>on exchange during the second trimester of VUW 200-level French studies</i> ○ <i>you must complete a French Language course for Foreigners (FLE course) equivalent to FREN 216 (covering the 4 skills, at B2 level and with a minimum of 48 hours of teaching)</i> • FREN 315 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>on exchange during the first trimester of VUW 300-level French studies</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ you must complete a French Language course for Foreigners (FLE course) equivalent to FREN 315 (covering the 4 skills, at B2/c1 level and with a minimum of 48 hours of teaching) • You also need to take other courses to gain general credit. When you successfully complete literature courses in France, you get general credit for these.
When is the best time for me to study on exchange if I am majoring in French?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you are majoring in French, you can study on exchange in the second trimester of your VUW 200-level French study or the first trimester of your VUW 300-level French study. • For La Rochelle applicants: please note, there are more courses for general credit to choose from at La Rochelle if you are going in the second trimester of your VUW 200-level.
As a French-major, can I go on exchange during my final trimester at VUW?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can if they have already completed their French major. • All French-major students must complete FREN 316 and FREN 331/332/333 at VUW.
How will the courses be cross-credited? I.e. Major credits, exemptions, assessments...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To gain cross-credits for FREN 216 or FREN 315, you must complete a French language course for foreigners (FLE) equivalent to FREN 216 (covering the 4 skills, at B2 level and with a minimum of 48 hours of teaching) if you are in France for the second trimester of your VUW 200-level French study; or equivalent to FREN 315 (covering the 4 skills, at B2/C1 level and with a minimum of 48 hours of teaching) if you are in France for the first trimester of your VUW 300-level French study. You also need to take other courses to gain general credit. • If you have successfully completed a French language course while on an exchange in a non-French-speaking country, you can apply on your return for an exemption for a corresponding French language course. For this, you need to present your results and a detailed description (content, level and hours of teaching, assessment) of the language course(s) you took and contact the exchange-liaison within the French Programme as soon as possible. A placement test may be required before you are allowed to proceed with enrolment.
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