

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGE, BA

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36 credits in courses numbered 201 (Arabic, Chinese, German, Russian) or 202 (French, Italian, Spanish) and above in two of the following languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish. Normally students will take 18 credits in each of the two languages. However, they may petition to take 21 credits in one language and 15 in the other.

Students may be able to petition to pursue courses in a language other than Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish. Students interested in this option should consult with the Modern Foreign Language advisor as early as possible.

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Student Learning Outcomes

1. Speaking: Students can express themselves in the two chosen languages on a number of subjects of practical and intellectual relevance. They can engage in conversations on complex ideas and are able to narrate and describe in the major time frames
2. Reading: Students can comprehend the main ideas and supporting details of complex narrative and descriptive texts
3. Listening: Students can comprehend a broad range of subjects of practical and intellectual relevance
4. Writing: Students can write narrative and descriptive texts using different tenses and expressing their points of view
5. Literary/Cultural Competence: Students can describe and compare the literatures and cultures associated with the two chosen languages

Major Requirements

The major requires 36 credits in courses numbered 202 and above in two of the following languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish. Normally students will take 18 credits in each of the two languages. However, they may petition to take 21 credits in one language and 15 in the other.

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College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

For all Arts and Sciences|Maxwell students, successful completion of a bachelor's degree in this major requires a minimum of 120 credits, 96 of which must be Arts and Sciences|Maxwell credits, completion of the Liberal Arts Core (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/>

[undergraduate/arts-sciences/#text](https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#text)) requirements, and the requirements for this major (30 credits) that are listed above.

Dual Enrollments:

Students dually enrolled in **Newhouse*** and Arts and Sciences|Maxwell will complete a minimum of 122 credits, with at least 90 credits in Arts and Sciences|Maxwell coursework and an Arts and Sciences|Maxwell major.

*Students dually enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences|Maxwell as first year students must complete the Liberal Arts Core (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#text>). Students who transfer to the dual program after their first year as singly enrolled students in the Newhouse School will satisfy general requirements for the dual degree program by completing the Newhouse Core Requirements.

Undergraduate University Requirements

The following requirements and experiences apply to all Syracuse University Undergraduate matriculated degree programs.

- IDEA Course Requirement (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/undergraduate/idea-course-requirement/>)
- First Year Seminar (<https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/undergraduate/courses/fys/>)