Study French

“I am studying languages because of their role in human connection. Learning French has allowed me to not only connect with different cultures, but it has also given me the chance to build relationships with native French speakers. Studying a language has allowed me to create worldwide connections and has opened doors to many experiences that would have otherwise been unattainable, such as the ability to visit another country and communicate in their language. As a future teacher, I hope to share with my students the desire to connect with different cultures and different people from all over the world.”
MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.)
AND
MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING FRENCH (M.A.T.)

“If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, that goes to his heart.”
-Nelson Mandela

By doing a graduate degree in French, you will deepen your knowledge of Francophone cultures. We offer a balanced curriculum in French literature and linguistics. Our concentration in North American French and Literature is enhanced by the geographic location of UMaine. The large number of francophone citizens residing in the state of Maine, the significant communities with French heritage (Québécois and Acadian) that surround it, and the presence of the Canadian-American and the Franco-American Centers on campus have combined to create a strong expertise in North American French language and culture.

REQUIREMENTS
The programs offer full-time, academic year instruction to meet the requirements of pre-service teachers and an intensive institute during the summer for in-service teachers. Candidates take seven to eight courses (21-24 credits) in French language, literature, culture, and linguistics; one course in language pedagogy (MLC 466/566); and one course on teaching the exceptional student (SED 502). Finally, students complete an oral exam and a professional teaching portfolio.

WHO CAN JOIN OUR PROGRAM?
Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree, have successfully completed 24 credit hours (or equivalent) in French, and submit Praxis scores. For more information or to apply online, please visit the Graduate School web site: umaine.edu/graduate

Improve your French in Quebec City in the summer!

FLAS fellowship funding is also available for graduate students.

Graduate programs focus on educators and educator certification.

Connect from 8 remote locations across Maine.

Students develop creative and teaching skills.

Summer classes are offered to fit your schedule.