Beyond The Classroom

• Immersion experience for Spanish students in Casa Hispanica
• State-of-the-art language lab
• In-room on-line language practice
• Peer instructors (tutors) gain experience teaching the target language
• Teleladder: teleconference for French, German, and Spanish students
• Service learning opportunities with Hispanic immigrants and others
• Conversation tables in residence halls and off-campus
• Poetry readings and theater performances in the original language
• Immersion weekends for French, German, and Spanish students
• Social occasions/informal gatherings with food and entertainment
• Easy availability of international media including television broadcasts in the language lab, residence halls and library; newspapers and films

Beyond The Borders: Study Abroad

• Members of the Truman faculty take their students abroad: Aix-en-Provence, France; Prof. Patrick Lobert
• Study abroad opportunities in over fifty different countries, including an exchange program with Shanghai University in China
• Internships abroad to fit a variety of academic and career goals
• Financial aid is available, including Truman State University Foundation Scholarships
• Cultural loans available for all programs

Student Organizations

| Anime Club | Hispanic American |
| Classics Club | Leadership Organization |
| French Club | Italian Club |
| German Club | Russian Club |
| Hablantes Unidos | Society for Sino-American Study |
| Spanish Club |

Scholarships/Honors

• Foreign Language Scholarships
• Eta Sigma Phi (Classics National Honor Society)
• Phi Delta Pi (French NHS)
• Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish NHS)
• Departmental Honors in Classics, German, and Spanish
• Outstanding Student of the Year in Classics, French, German, Roman Languages, Russian, and Spanish
• Fulbright Grants awarded to Truman students in 2012 for study in Bulgaria, Germany, and Mexico

Research & Internships

• Truman’s capstone experience features a scholarly project in a student’s major field. Examples of recent projects include: Cynthia Brenner (Spanish): “La evolución del papel de la mujer a través de la historia mexicana”
• Adam Miller (Russian): “Translation from Russian of the First Book of the Bible”
• Joshua Holt (French): “Traduction de la Danse juive par Lise Trehub”
• Van Le (Classics): “Anthropomorphism and Anthropocentrism in Pliny’s Description of Domestic Animals”
• Costas Chouliaras, “Regional Variations and Language Attitudes in Greek: Parado and Berrichon”
• Abigail Temple, “Regional Variations and Language Attitudes in French: Parado and Berrichon”
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• Participation at the annual National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) as well as at international conferences
• Summer research grants support student work with faculty
• Student assistants often assist faculty with language-based research
• Internships in Jefferson City, Washington D.C., and abroad

Careers

• Majoring in a foreign language prepares students to enter a variety of careers, around the country and around the world. A sample of careers which have attracted our students include the following:
  • Spanish, French, and Latin instruction in schools across the state and nation
  • Fulbright sponsored teaching English as a second language in France, Germany, and Russia
  • Teaching English as a second language in Japan, Korea, Vietnam, and China
  • Mission work in Brazil, Costa Rica, and Guatemala
  • Professor of Spanish Education, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
  • Chair of the Department of Spanish Studies, College of St. Benedict (MN)
  • Founder and Director of the Institute of Modern Spanish, University of Wisconsin-Madison
  • Instructor of Spanish, University of South Dakota
  • Attorney at firms and organizations across the country
  • Spanish Acquisitions Librarian, Kansas City Public Library

Graduate School

• Approximately 50% of our graduates immediately enroll in graduate programs, law schools, and other professional schools, including the following:
  • Bryn Mawr College
  • Concordia University (Montreal)
  • Cornell University
  • Drake University Law School
  • George Washington University
  • Indiana University
  • Monterey Institute of International Studies
  • Northwestern University
  • Truman State University
  • Université de Québec à Montréal
  • Universidad de Costa Rica

Languages

Ancient Greek, Latin, Russian, Chinese, Italian, Portuguese

Programs

• Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Classics, French, German, Spanish, and Russian as well as in Romance Languages
• Minors in Ancient Greek, Asian Studies, Classical Studies, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Psychology, Russian, Spanish, and Latin for the Professions
• Bachelor of Science (BS) in minor in Linguistics: (Department of English and Linguistics)
• Master of Arts in Education (MAE) in French, Spanish, and Romance Languages
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In The Classroom

• Study of a foreign language is a priority on Truman’s campus: approximately 1/3 of Truman students are enrolled in a foreign language class at any given time
• Class size for advanced courses ranges from 5-20 students
• Average GPA for CML majors: 3.41
• Small size of major programs ensures personal attention: 14 Classics majors, 27 Romance Language majors, 48 French majors, 19 Russian majors, 26 German majors, 110 Spanish majors

Facility

• Experienced faculty teach all courses at all levels
• Native speakers from Argentina, Austria, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, France, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Senegal, and Spain
• Researchers with extensive travel experience throughout the European Union (Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, and Spain), Russia, French-speaking Canada, as well as Central and South America (especially Mexico, Guatemala, Brazil, and Chile)
• Leaders in national and regional language organizations
• Authors of books, journal articles, poems, and plays
• Visiting scholars in Chinese and Russian

Contact with over 240 international students from 40 different countries, especially during International Week, an annual campus-wide celebration featuring an annual International Dinner and International Idol Competition
• Authors of books, journal articles, poems, and plays
• Visiting scholars in Chinese and Russian