LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS

The Department of World Language Education offers students several undergraduate degrees. Although a baccalaureate degree is not offered in Linguistics, a minor is available to students. Comprehensive information about these programs is listed below.

MODERN LANGUAGES (FRE/GER/GRK/ITA/RUS/SPA)

Foreign Language major programs are designed to meet the needs of students who desire competency in a language and an expanded understanding of its culture and literature. They are of particular interest to students who wish to teach languages, those who plan to further their studies in graduate school, and those who seek careers in various types of foreign or foreign-related employment, either in government or business.

Major programs leading to the bachelor of arts degree are offered in French, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish. All major programs in foreign language require a total of 32 hours of coursework above the intermediate level. French and Spanish majors with an International Studies and Business Concentration require a total of 63 hours of coursework distributed in the three areas.

The following languages may also be taken as a minor: French, German, Italian, Latin, Modern Greek, Russian, and Spanish. The minor consists of 15 hours of course work in French and Spanish above the second-year level, and 16 hours in the other languages except for the less commonly taught languages. In order to begin taking courses for the minor, the student will have satisfactorily completed the intermediate level or have equivalent proficiency in the foreign language. Instruction in less commonly taught languages may be available upon sufficient demand.

Prerequisites (State Mandated Common Prerequisites) for Students Transferring from a Community College: Students wishing to transfer to USF should complete the A.A. degree at the community college. Some courses required for the major may also meet General Education Requirements thereby transferring maximum hours to the university. If students transfer without an A.A. degree and have fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, the students must meet the university’s entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements. The transfer student should also be aware of the immunization, foreign language, and continuous enrollment policies of the university.

Students should demonstrate proficiency at the intermediate level within the target language. This may be accomplished by completing 6-12 hours within the language or by demonstrated competency at the intermediate level. If this coursework (or associated competency) is not completed at the community college, it must be completed before the degree is granted. Students are encouraged to complete the following prerequisites, or major, support, or elective courses if available, during the program of study at the community college, and when feasible in General Education/Gordon Rule courses. Unless stated otherwise, a grade of "C" is the minimum acceptable grade.

ECN 1101 English I (3)  
ECN 1102 English II (3)  
Social Science (any HIS, SOC, ANT, etc.) (6)  
Humanities (any HUM) (6)  
Beginning and Intermediate "Target Language" (1120, 1121, and 2200) (14-19)

Upper-level Coursework Required for Each of the Following Modern Language Majors

GERMAN (GER)

Requirements for the major (14 cr. hrs.)

GER 2240 (3)  
GER 3420 (3)

Supporting courses required for the major

18 hours in 3000, 4000, or 5000 level courses, including approved courses in related disciplines, planned with the advisor.

Required courses for the minor (6 cr. hrs.)

GER 2240 (3)  
GER 3420 (3)

Supporting courses required for the minor

10 hours in 3000, 4000, or 5000 level courses except courses in translation.