Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies Department

About the Department
The Department of Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies offers majors in French, Spanish and secondary education for both languages. Minor programs include French, German and Spanish. The department also offers introductory-level classes in less commonly taught languages such as Mandarin, Arabic, Japanese, Russian, American Sign Language, Italian, Portuguese and Korean.

Center for International Education
Directed by Dr. Brian Stiegler, the Center for International Education serves as the primary administrative center for international initiatives on campus and strives to further the University’s goal of preparing SALISBURY Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies Department PROGRAMS students to succeed in an increasingly interdependent world. The department sponsors study abroad programs in Argentina, Ecuador, France, Martinique and Spain. These programs run for two to five weeks. Although each program is different and activities may vary, students typically live with host families.

Students are also encouraged to take advantage of our Paris City of Lights Internship, as well as our SALE (Spanish Applied Learning Experience) Internships with local businesses, volunteer organizations and schools.

French student Aimee Dawkins studied in Saint-Pierre, Martinique, as part of a one-credit course led by SU French faculty.

Language majors are especially well-prepared for careers which engage the complexities of a globally connected world without borders. Examples of these kinds of career opportunities are:

- education
- international business
- domestic and international NGOs
- governmental agencies
- social work
- the medical and legal professions
- environmental work

The major also prepares students for graduate study in various fields. To learn about the many exciting career paths, travels and graduate studies of our alumni, visit www.salisbury.edu/modlang/alumni.html

Living Through Languages
As students live their languages at SU, they can enjoy the Oktoberfest celebration each fall and the Cinco de Mayo festival each spring. Our top students are invited to become members of national honor societies such as Pi Delta Phi for French and Sigma Delta Pi for Spanish, as well as to present their work at the National Conference for Undergraduate Research. Film festivals, language clubs, guest lectures, art exhibits and University-sponsored theme dinners all serve to create a stimulating multicultural learning community.

“"The borders of my language are the borders of my world.””
Philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein

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