

Outside the Classroom



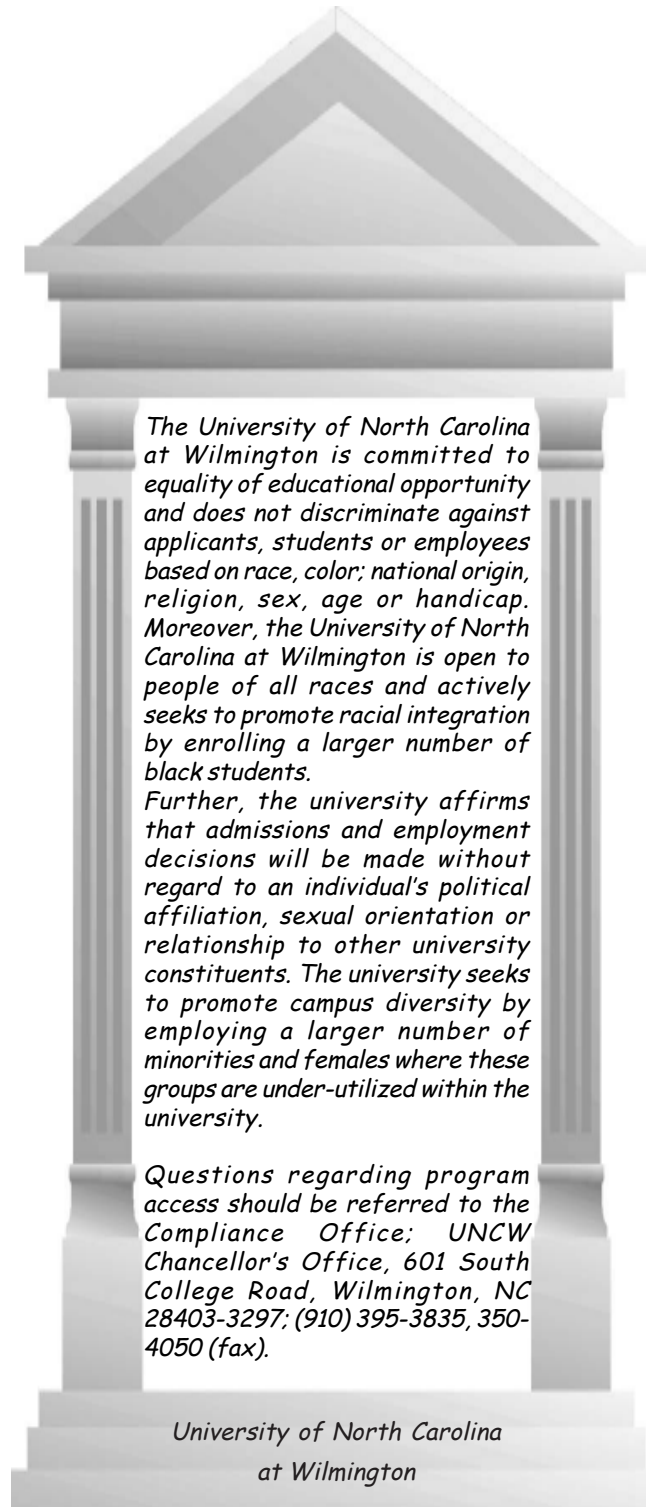
Language table

FLL sponsors numerous activities that encourage students to use their linguistic and cultural skills outside the classroom. Weekly language tables allow students to speak the target language in a social setting. FLL faculty serve as advisors for the Brazilian, French, German, and Spanish Clubs as well as the Society for Creative Anachronism. In the recent past, students belonging to these organizations have made humanitarian service trips to Haiti and Honduras. Internships and Service Learning, primarily at the offices of area social services organizations, provide students with the opportunity to practice their language skills in a professional environment.

Language Club Meetings



For more information about FLL, visit our website at <http://www.uncw.edu/fll/>.



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Why study a foreign language?

Nearly 80,000 North Carolinians grow up in homes where English is not the native language. The faculty of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures (FLL) is committed to preparing students for participation in a global environment, be it right here in North Carolina or abroad. Knowing a foreign language is an advantage for future careers. People who work in jobs with an international component earn more than their monolingual counterparts. Furthermore, while studying a foreign language helps students learn about and respect other cultures and languages, it also strengthens linguistic and cultural competence in English. Studies also show that studying a foreign language enhances analytical and interpretive abilities. You will even improve your listening skills and memory!



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Windows of Opportunities

During the last five years, in North Carolina alone, over 800 international firms have created millions of dollars of revenue annually. In order to be competitive in the job market, applicants must be able to function at a high level of linguistic and cultural proficiency in a foreign language.



Cross-Cultural Professions in which a background in a foreign language is helpful include:

- Travel industry
- Advertising
- Education
- Radio
- TV
- Film
- Journalism
- Federal government
- International organizations
- Fundraising
- Import/export
- Law
- Anthropology
- Law enforcement
- Publishing
- Translation and interpretation
- Public relations
- Health care
- Religious occupations
- Social services
- Telephone operation



Degrees & Programs



At the undergraduate level, FLL offers majors in French and Spanish. Students must complete a minimum of 36 hours, distributed in the following way: 6 hours at the 200 level, 24 hours at the 300 level, and a minimum of 6 hours at the 400 level. Highly trained specialists offer a wide spectrum of courses in:

- Language
- Literature
- Film studies
- Linguistics
- Phonetics
- Seminars
- Civilization
- Translation
- Conversation
- Composition
- Internships
- Service learning

FLL also offers minors in French, German, and Spanish. Students must complete a minimum of 18-21 hours at the 200 level or above. If you are interested in a less commonly taught language, you can take classes in Japanese, Latin, or Portuguese.

At the graduate level, FLL offers a Certificate in Hispanic Studies. Different from a traditional graduate program, this 18-hour program allows students to focus on professional and practical needs of their personal preferences.

Study Abroad

We strongly encourage students to immerse themselves completely in a culture for a summer, semester, or year. FLL faculty have directed study abroad programs in:

- Ecuador
- France
- Germany



- Italy
- Japan
- Spain

UNCW also has numerous exchange agreements with universities all over the world. In conjunction with the Office of International Programs, the department works closely with students to ensure that courses taken abroad transfer as UNCW credits.

Dual Majors & Interdisciplinary Programs

In order to be more competitive in the job market, many students choose to major in a foreign language and a second complementary discipline. A student who majors in Spanish and Social Work will communicate effectively with the Hispanic clientele of a social agency. A dual major in French and Business will enable a student to interact with customers from one of North Carolina's major trading partners. Common dual majors consist of a foreign language and Psychology, English, Marine Biology, Social Work, Nursing, History, or Communications. Students also have an opportunity to study a foreign language as part of an interdisciplinary minor. The possibilities are endless!