

Modern Languages

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Although English has become the twentieth century's leading commercial and diplomatic language, modern language study will be of increasing importance in the years ahead. As technology continues to conquer the obstacles of time and space, the outlook is for even greater travel, commerce, and cultural exchange between the Upper Midwest and the rest of the world.

Minnesota State University, Mankato does not offer a degree in Modern Languages per se. Students may, however, pursue BA or BS degrees in French, German, or Spanish; BS degrees in teaching French, German, or Spanish; or a BS degree in teaching English as a Second Language. Russian courses are also offered but are not part of any specific academic program. Please see individual sections of this bulletin for program details and course offerings in specific languages.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

MODL 101 (4) Elementary Japanese I

MODL 460 (3) Methods of Teaching Modern Languages

Introduction to theory and practice of modern language teaching, including lessons in listening, speaking, reading, writing, vocabulary, and culture. Includes testing, program design, lesson planning, and use of technology. Pre: Student must demonstrate oral proficiency level of Intermediate-Mid on ACTFL, scale in target language. F

MODL 461 (1) Applied Modern Language Teaching Methods

A field experience including placement in the secondary level school setting for students earning licensure in modern language teaching. Practicum students work with middle or high school students of French, German, or Spanish. Take concurrently with or following MODL 460.

MODL 462 (3) Foreign Languages in the Elementary School (FLES) Methods

Introduction to theory and practice of modern language teaching for children grades K-6, including oral language development, second language literacy development, content-based language instruction, and techniques for language immersion programs. Pre: Students must demonstrate oral proficiency level of Intermediate-Mid on ACTFL scale in target language before enrolling.

MODL 463 (1) Applied FLES Methods

A field experience including placement in the elementary

level school setting for students earning licensure in modern language teaching. Practicum students work with elementary school students in French, German, or Spanish. Take concurrently with or following MODL 462.

MODL 465 (1-3) Workshop in Modern Language Education

Topics in modern language education. May be repeated for credit.

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MODL 470 (4) Theory and Methods in TESL I

Introduction to theories of second languages acquisition and description of program models for second languages literacy and academic success. Treats oral language development, literacy, content-based instruction, testing and placement of second language learners.

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CD-Related

MODL 471 (4) Theory and Methods in TESL II

Teaching English as a second language: treats the skills of listening, speaking, reading, writing and vocabulary use. Consideration of individual and sociocultural factors in language learning.

Pre: MODL 470 S *CD-Related*

MODL 472 (1) Teaching English as a Second Language Practicum

A field experience including placement in the K-12 public school setting for students in the TESL licensure minor. Practicum students work with ESL students at the elementary and/or secondary level. Take concurrently with or following MODL 470 and MODL 471.

MODL 475 (1-4) Topics in TESL

Topics in learning and teaching English as a Second/Foreign Language. May be repeated for credit.

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MODL 499 (1-4) Individual Study

Special topics in language education. May be repeated for credit.

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