



# European Languages and Cultures

**BA**

Why study European Languages and Cultures?

**Connect with Europe's rich heritage and enhance your understanding of modern Europe.**

## **FRENCH**

One of the major languages of diplomacy and spoken all over the world including New Caledonia and Polynesia. French culture is synonymous with food and wine, fashion, art, and cinema.

## **GERMAN**

The powerhouse of the European Union and one of the world's most important trading partners. It was, and continues to be, at the forefront of intellectual life in cinema, philosophy, and literature.

## **ITALIAN\***

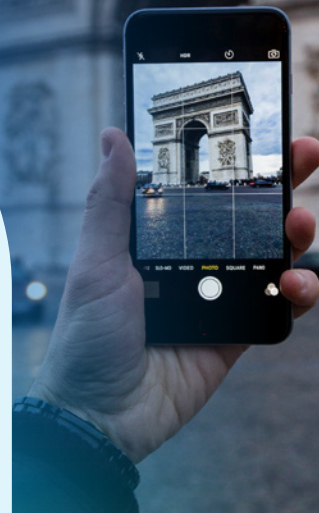
Study a world of lasting achievements in the arts and sciences – Dante, Michelangelo, Galileo – and contemporary culture: film, music, literature, politics, and cuisine.

## **SPANISH AND LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES\***

The second most-spoken language in the world and second language of the USA. Explore Spanish history and innovations in football, music, and Latin American art.

## **EUROPEAN STUDIES**

Make European connections with anthropology, history, politics, philosophy and religion, as well as courses in its languages and culture.



**“Students will acquire excellent language and intercultural communications skills attractive to employers looking for dynamic candidates who have exposed themselves to the challenges of navigating new cultures.”**

**BERNADETTE LUCIANO**  
Professor

Careers

The European Union is the world's largest economic entity and New Zealand's third-largest trading partner. Our graduates work in diverse fields in Aotearoa New Zealand and abroad, including journalism, education, translation, law, foreign affairs and trade.

*\*Italian and Latin American Studies can be studied as an elective or module as part of your BA, your language as part of a Global Studies degree, or as a Certificate or Diploma in languages.*



You can study languages as part of one of the following programmes; if you already have some ability, we will place you into a level which is right for you. You can take European Studies as one of your majors in the BA or study the European region as part of a Global Studies degree.

### BACHELOR OF ARTS

[auckland.ac.nz/arts/ba](http://auckland.ac.nz/arts/ba)

You can major in French, German, Spanish or European Studies, which combines language skills with knowledge of the region including history, politics and culture. Or, if you want to study a language while majoring in other Arts subjects you can take a Modern Language module, allowing you to take advantage of study abroad opportunities and enrich your BA journey.

### BACHELOR OF GLOBAL STUDIES

[auckland.ac.nz/arts/bachelor-of-global](http://auckland.ac.nz/arts/bachelor-of-global)

Learning another language is a key component of the Bachelor of Global Studies (BGlobalSt). This programme combines language and area study with a consideration of contemporary global issues.

### CERTIFICATE OR DIPLOMA IN LANGUAGES

[auckland.ac.nz/arts/dip-lang](http://auckland.ac.nz/arts/dip-lang)

You can take a European language as part of a Certificate in Languages (CertLang) or a Diploma in Languages (DipLang). Both are usually taken in conjunction with another degree, including the BA.

### 360 INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

[auckland.ac.nz/360](http://auckland.ac.nz/360)

Study at a foreign university for up to two semesters while earning credits towards your degree. We have a range of partner universities in Italy, Spain, France, and Germany.



### Get excited about your course options:

- Introductory French Language\*\*
- French Language and Culture in Film and Literature
- Beginners' Spanish\*\*
- Spanish Myths and Global Icons
- German Language Introductory\*\*
- Introductory Italian Language\*\*
- Screening Europe



### Complementary majors include:

French, German, or Spanish



Communication

European Studies

Politics and International Relations

\* Course availability may be subject to change. For a full list of courses and up-to-date information visit our website.  
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\*\* If you have studied a language before, you may be able to start at a higher level depending on the results of a placement test.

“Learning languages helped me connect with people from different cultures, and communities... something I regard as incredibly important.

“Taking these subjects was invaluable for the career I went on to have in diplomacy and international work. Being able to communicate with others in their own language helped me build strong relationships, enabling deeper understanding and better outcomes for negotiations in international contexts.”

**PULOTU TUPE SOLOMON-TANOAI**

*Malaemalu, Falealili and Afega, Samoa*

Chief Philanthropic Officer, Michael and Suzanne Borrin Foundation

Graduate: Bachelor of Arts, majoring in French / Bachelor of Laws (Hons) conjoint

