

At Louvain-la-Neuve - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In FrenchDissertation/Graduation Project : **YES** - Internship : **YES**Activities in English: **optional** - Activities in other languages : **optional**Activities on other sites : **NO**Main study domain : **Langues, lettres et traductologie**Organized by: **Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters (FIAL)**Programme acronym: **FLE2M** - Francophone Certification Framework: 7**Table of contents**

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FLE2M - Introduction

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The detailed program presented in these pages is based on the latest reform of the Master's program and applies to students starting the program in September 2025. For other students, further information on the transition program: <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/elal/programmes-de-transition.html>

The Master's degree offers you:

- advanced training in the teaching of French as a foreign language or a second language;
- tools for the analysis of cultural and historical contexts of French-speaking communities;
- training which uses new information technologies;
- training which combines an introduction to the methods and theories of language teaching and real teaching practice;
- an original approach to French-speaking communities, from an interdisciplinary perspective : linguistic and literary approaches, political and institutional issues.

Your profile

You

- have a first cycle degree in languages and letters;
- wish to have advanced training in linguistics and literature;
- wish to enhance your professional skills by adding French as a foreign language;
- wish to learn more about the cultural diversity of French-speaking communities.

Your programme

You are able to make up your programme according to your personal interests and professional objectives. The programme allows you to combine:

- core general training courses ;
- a professional focus ;
- optional courses.

FLE2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

At the end of their course, the holders of the [Master \[120\] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language](#) will demonstrate an excellent knowledge of French linguistics and literature, as well as of the cultural and historical contexts of places where French is used as a language of communication and/or teaching while not being the first language (Francophone countries, multicultural milieu...).

Students will also be able to transfer their knowledge and implement it in professional contexts to which these issues relate.

With these qualities, students in French and Romance Languages and Literature with French as a Second Language will be an intellectual in the area of humanities, able to contribute to the great challenges of the modern world, namely the construction of multilingual and multicultural societies which respect and integrate differences.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Analyse oral and written output in French, taking into account historical, regional, social and stylistic variations.
2. Analyse the cultural, historical, political and institutional context of Francophone countries.
3. Employ the knowledge acquired in the different fields of the humanities, with a view to conducting an in-depth analysis of facts, documents, speeches or issues.
 - 3.1. Analyse a fact, document, speech or problem on the basis of historical theories;
 - 3.2. Analyse a fact, document, speech or problem on the basis of philosophical theories.
4. Produce a critical reading of a text using the analytical and interpretation tools offered by the available methods and practices.
5. Become expert in French, both orally and in writing, on normative and argumentative levels, achieving excellence in the formulation of thoughts, reading ability, comprehension of different types of text and composition.
 - 5.1. Achieve expert skills in oral French;
 - 5.2. Achieve expert skills in written French.
6. Become expert in the methods and theories of the teaching of languages, in particular French, and intercultural matters.
7. Develop, on the basis of language and literature studies, reflective and critical knowledge allowing students to become an actor in modern society, an intellectual in the area of humanities, open to a dialogue between language, literature and other artistic and scientific knowledge.
 - 7.1. Compile and adequately manage a corpus of linguistic data;
 - 7.2. Compile and adequately manage a corpus of literary data;
 - 7.3. Problematize a research question considering the relationship between language and context;
 - 7.4. Problematize a research question adapted to the corpus of literature studied.
8. Develop, on the basis of language and literature studies, reflective and critical knowledge allowing students to become an actor in modern society, an intellectual in the area of humanities, open to a dialogue between language, literature and other artistic and scientific knowledge.
 - 8.1. Apply a reflective and critical approach to society on the basis of literary studies;
 - 8.2. Apply a reflective and critical approach to society on the basis of language studies.
9. **If the Professional Focus course is chosen:** work in different sectors of activity connected to language, culture and communication (language planning, creating programmes, cultural training, etc.).
 - 9.1. Work in the field of languages;
 - 9.2. Work in a cultural field;
 - 9.3. Work in the field of communication.
10. **Through the optional courses:**
 - 10.1. Widen and deepen their knowledge and skills in the field(s) on which the master focuses;AND/OR
 - 10.2. Discover a discipline/disciplines which is/are complementary to the main programme disciplines, and grasp its/their specifics and fundamental principles from the point of view of being open to and creating an additional perspective and additional skills.

Programme structure

The programme is made up of :

- core courses (60 credits), made up of :
 - 27 dissertation credits
 - 30 credits in shared courses
 - 3 religious studies credits

- a professional focus (30 credits)
- and optional course (30 credits).

FLE2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [60.0]

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The study program (blocks 1 and 2) below is based on the **latest reform of the Master's degree** in French and Romance languages and literatures : French as a foreign language, and applies to students enrolling for the first time in September 2025 in the 1st year of the Master's degree in French and Romance languages and literatures : French as a foreign language.

Students enrolled in the 1st year of the Master's program during the 2024-2025 academic year who have not acquired all the credits in their annual program will follow a program adapted by the jury according to the credits acquired.

Students who began their course before September 2025 will follow the old program, but with content adjustments following the reform. The adapted program for these students will be drawn up by the jury on the basis of the teaching units already taken and passed.

More information on the **transition program**: <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/elal/programmes-de-transition.html>

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Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

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○ Dissertation (27 credits)

○ LFLE2892	Dissertation		(FR) [q1+q2] [] [27 Credits] ⊕		X
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○ Common courses (30 credits)

○ LFLE2630	Didactics of the Pronunciation of French as a Foreign Language	Emmanuelle Rassart	(FR) [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	X
○ LFLE2005	Didactics of French as a foreign language	Serge Bibauw	(FR) [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	
○ LFLE2006	Conceiving language courses for specific purposes	Serge Bibauw	(FR) [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕ > English-friendly	X	X
○ LFLE2930	Foreign Language Assessment	Serge Bibauw Emmanuelle Rassart	(FR) [q1] [15h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	X
○ LFRA2180	The French language in the francophone area	Philippe Hambye	(FR) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕ ⊕	X	X
○ LFRA2151	Text Linguistics	Anne-Catherine Simon	(FR) [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	X

○ One course, depending on the bachelor's degree course(s) taken (3 credits)

UCLouvain students who have already taken one of the two LTECO courses as part of their bachelor's degree at UCLouvain must take LFIAL2650E.

Students who do not hold a bachelor's degree from UCLouvain in Languages and Literature choose one of the three courses.

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⌘ LTECO1210	Societies, cultures, religions : lectures bibliques Biblical Readings		FR [q1] [15h] [3 Credits] 🌐		x
⌘ LTECO1220	Societies-cultures-religions : Human Questions	Régis Burnet	FR [q1] [15h] [3 Credits] 🌐		x
⌘ LFIAL2650E	Critical analysis of artificial intelligence		FR [q2] [22.5h] [3 Credits] 🌐		x

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS [30.0]

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o Content:

○ LFLE9013	Observation (10 h) and teaching practice (45 h) in French as a foreign language		[FR] [q1+q2] [] [10 Credits] ⊕		X
○ LFRA2004	French as a schooling language	Serge Bibauw Philippe Hambye	[FR] [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	X
○ LLMOD2735	Immersion teaching: principles and practices	Pauline Degrave	[FR] [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	X
○ LFLE2620	Acquisition of a second or foreign language: theory and applications	Julie Van de Vyver	[FR] [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	

o Language courses (5 credits)

Language course to be chosen in a language not known to the student, preferably relatively distant from the languages he/she already knows. A reflective analysis of the learning experience will be integrated into the expectations and assessment of course LFLE2620 "Acquisition d'une langue étrangère : théories et applications".

⊗ LARAB1101A	Modern Arabic Elementary Level - part 1		[FR] [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	
⊗ LCHIN1100A	Modern Chinese - Elementary level 1 - Part A of the 1st term		[FR] [q1] [60h] [5 Credits] ⊕ > English-friendly	X	
⊗ LITAL1100E	Italian for beginners		[IT] [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	
⊗ LJAPO1100A	Japanese - Beginner level - Part A of the 1st term		[EN] [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	
⊗ LPORT1100A	Portuguese – Elementary Level – Part of Q1		[PT] [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	
⊗ LRUSS1100A	Russian - Elementary level - Part 1		[RU] [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	

OPTIONS

- > [Optional courses](#) [en-prog-2026-fle2m-lfle830o]
- > [Médiation, culture et traductologie \(co-diplômation avec Fu Jen Catholic University\)](#) [en-prog-2026-fle2m-lfle820o]
- > [International mobility](#) [en-prog-2026-fle2m-lelal100o]

OPTIONAL COURSES [30.0]

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o Content:

The student chooses 2 to 4 courses from 2 of the headings below, for a total of 6 courses.

⊗ Complement in language and literacy didactics

⊗ LLMOD2921	Technology-enhanced language teaching and learning seminar <i>To follow this course, a B2 level in English is required</i>	Fanny Meunier	EN [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LFRA2001	Didactics of French, part 1	Severine De Croix	FR [q1+q2] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⊗ Research methods in linguistics and educational sciences

⊗ LFIAL2260	Statistics for Linguistics	Magali Paquot	EN [q1] [22.5h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LLING2250	Corpus linguistics: From manual to automatic analysis		EN [q1] [22.5h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LLING2270	Mixed-methods research in applied linguistics	Ferran Suner Munoz (coord.)	EN [q1] [22.5h+10h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LFIAL2640	Introduction to Python programming for the humanities	Leonardo Zilio	EN [q2] [22.5h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⊗ Linguistics and sociolinguistics

⊗ LFRA2141	Language, power and society	Philippe Hambye	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LFRA2171	Neology	Cédric Fairon	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LFRA2210	Prosody of the Spoken Voice	Anne-Catherine Simon	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LENG2723	English linguistics: sociolinguistics <i>To follow this course, a B2 level in English is required</i>	Sylvie De Cock	EN [q2] [15h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LLMOD2719	Typology and contrastive linguistics <i>To follow this course, a B2 level in English is required</i>	Elisabeth Degand	EN [q2] [15h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > French-friendly	X	X
⊗ LENG2823	English lexis : Applied linguistic perspectives <i>To follow this course, a B2 level in English is required</i>	Sylvie De Cock	EN [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⊗ Literature and culture


⊗ LFRA2710	The specificity of literary discourse: theory and analysis	Pierre Piret	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LFRA2720	Questions of Literary History	Agnès Guiderdoni	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LFIAL2230	Questions of General and Comparative Literature	Marta Sábado Novau	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LFRA2791	Literature, theatre and humanities	Pierre Piret	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊖ 🌐	X	X

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✂ LCOMU2606

Inter-cultural communication

FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 

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MÉDIATION, CULTURE ET TRADUCTOLOGIE (CO-DIPLÔMATION AVEC FU JEN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY) [15.0]

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⊗ LTRAD2300	History of translation, intercultural mediation, and cultural transfer	Laurent Béghin (coord.) Christian Marcipont	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > English-friendly	X	X
⊗ LTRAD2491	Translation, interpreting and intercultural communication	Françoise Gallez	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > English-friendly	X	X
⊗ LTRAD2492	Freelance Translator: professional networking and deontology	Marie-Aude Lefer	FR [q1] [15h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > English-friendly	X	X
⊗ LTRAD2700	Theory of Literary Translation	Christian Marcipont	FR [q2] [30h+0h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LCOMU2606	Inter-cultural communication		FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

As part of their studies, students are encouraged to :

- spend a semester (30 credits) studying at one of our many partner universities. Information on these programs can be found at <https://www.uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/etudiant-fial-en-echange>
- take one or more courses (maximum 3) offered by FIAL partners abroad. This internationalization of training takes place :
 - either through mobility (stay at a partner university),
 - or by taking these courses online,
 - or by taking a course at UCLouvain which is offered by the faculty to a wider, international audience, as well as to its own students.

The list of courses offered in this way can be found on the <https://www.uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/je-fais-une-mobilite-courte> page.

Students can add these courses to their curriculum throughout the academic year, within the limits set out in the regulations.

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

What is a preparatory module?

It is a set of supplementary classes (courses, practical works, seminars, etc.) from the first cycle (see the non-exhaustive list below). The complementary module (maximum 60 credits) is tailor-made by the jury according to the student's educational background and added to the Master's programme in order to acquire fundamental knowledge to then pursue the 120 credits of the Master's programme.

Who is it for?

- Students from a non-university higher education institution
- Candidates admitted with additional training
- Candidates admitted on the file with additional training

All the explanations are in [this document](#) (in French).

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○ Linguistics (30 credits)

○ LFRA1111	French grammar and spelling	Anne-Catherine Simon	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFIAL1131	Understanding language: an introduction to linguistics	Elisabeth Degand Philippe Hambye	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFIAL1260	Interpreting language: semantic and pragmatic approaches	Elisabeth Degand	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LELAL1350	Multilingualism: Political, Cognitive and Pedagogical implications	Fanny Meunier Ferran Suner Munoz	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFRA1222	Sociolinguistics	Philippe Hambye	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFRA1221	Variation in contemporary French	Anne-Catherine Simon	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] ⊕

○ Literature (30 credits)

○ LFIAL1152	Introduction to literary studies	Elise Deschambre	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFRA1202	French literature from Belgium: literature, language, nation	Pierre Piret	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFIAL1330	General and Comparative Literature : Methods and Practices	Marta Sábado Novau	FR [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] ⊕
○ LFRA1301	Dramaturgical analysis of theater texts: from text to stage	Pierre Piret	FR [q1] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] ⊕

○ deux cours parmi:

⊗ LFRA1101	These so-called minor literary genres	Severine De Croix	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕
⊗ LFRA1102	French literature: between artistic creation and novelistic analysis	Vincent Engel	FR [q2] [30h+10h] [5 Credits] ⊕
⊗ LFRA1103	La fabrique du texte: French-language literature of the 20th and 21st centuries	Pierre Piret Anne Reverseau	FR [q2] [22.5h+10h] [5 Credits] ⊕
⊗ LFRA1104	Arts and French literature	Agnès Guiderdoni	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] ⊕

⊗ French reinforcement

At the jury's discretion, students whose French still needs to be improved may be asked to take one or more of the following French language reinforcement courses in place of another course (the additional module will not exceed 60 credits).

⌘ LFRAN1401	French - General course (listening, speaking, reading, writing, grammar) - Objective B2	Christine Renard Florence Simon (coord.)	FR [q1 or q2] [60h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LFRAN1403	French - Speaking and pronunciation - Objective B2	Valérie Neuenschwander (coord.) Florence Simon (coord.)	FR [q1 or q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LFRAN1404	French - Writing - Objective B2	Valérie Neuenschwander (coord.)	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LFRAN2406	French - French as a university language - Objective B2	Geneviève Briet (coord.)	FR [q1] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LFRAN1501	French - General course (listening, speaking, reading, writing, grammar) - Objective C1	Christine Renard (coord.)	FR [q1 or q2] [60h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LFRAN2506	French - Professional communication strategies - Objective C1	Florence Simon (coord.)	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐

Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

FLE2M - Information

Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

General and specific admission requirements for this programme must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university.

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

SUMMARY

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Specific access requirements

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1° Student must hold a first level university degree.

2° Candidates who do not hold a higher education diploma from the French Community of Belgium (or from a country where French is the only official language) must provide proof of sufficient mastery of the French language at level C1 of the [Common European Framework of Reference](#). All skills must have been assessed and passed (written and oral comprehension, written and oral production).

The official certificate must be issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see <https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members>).

Examples of tests recognized by the jury for French: [DALF](#) or [TCF](#).

3° To have developed the following skills in the context of their previous academic training:

- knowledge of general and comparative linguistics and literatures;
- knowledge of French literature (history of literature and literary analysis, notions, genres, trends, authors, reference theories, Belgian literature, etc.);
- knowledge of French linguistics (history of the French language, historical and synchronic linguistics, grammar, etc.);
- the production of a discourse that adequately and rigorously integrates the vocabulary, notions and concepts specific to each of these disciplines;
- the mobilization of knowledge acquired in the various fields of the human sciences for the analysis of a literary text and a linguistic corpus;
- mastery of the standard French language, both orally and in writing, and production of a university-level oral/written discourse in French.

The 30 credits of [Minor in French Studies](#) (only available for reenrolment and [ELAL Bachelor transitional programmes](#)) may satisfy these requirements.

In the absence of sufficient training in one or more of these subjects, supplementary classes will be integrated into the master's programme (from 15 credits to a maximum of 60 credits). This [preparatory module](#) is established by the jury on the basis of the student's previous course of study.

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			
Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General (Louvain-la-Neuve)		Direct access	

Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Letters (St-Louis Bruxelles)	Direct access	
Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	Direct access	
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (Louvain-la-Neuve) (a Germanic language + French)	Direct access	If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (St-Louis Bruxelles) (a Germanic language + French)	Direct access	If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.

Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium

Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Literatures: General	Direct access	
Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	Direct access	
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (with French as one of the two languages)	Direct access	

Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium

Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (French + Italian/Latin/Spanish)	Proficiency in French at level C1 (CEFR)	Access with additional training	15 to 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
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Foreign Bachelors

Bachelor in languages and literatures (including the study of French linguistics and French literature)	Proficiency in French at level C1 (CEFR)	Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Access on the file). All applicants must check that they meet the specific access requirements .
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Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about [links](#) to the university

Only applicable to graduates of higher education institutions of the French Community of Belgium

Diploma	Access	Remarks
BA - AESI orientation Français et français langue étrangère - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60 BA - AESI orientation Français et morale - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60 BA - AESI orientation Français et religion - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60	Les enseignements supplémentaires éventuels peuvent être consultés dans le module complémentaire .	Type court

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
Licence en langues et littératures romanes		Direct access	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)

Masters

Master [120] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language, second focus	Direct access	At the end of Master 120, each focus of the Master [120] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language can be obtained in a new programme of 30 credits.
Master [60] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General Master [120] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General Master [60] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures Master [120] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures Master [60] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (a Germanic language + French) Master [120] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (a Germanic language + French)	Direct access	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Master [60] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (a Germanic language + Italian/Spanish) Master [120] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General (a Germanic language + Italian/Spanish)	Access with additional training	Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Other master	Access based on application	In case of admission, maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Access on the file)
Foreign Masters	Access based on application	All candidates must ensure that they meet the specific access requirements. In case of admission, maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the Master's programme (consult Acces on the file).

Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

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Access based on validation of professional experience

It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about [Validation of priori experience](#).

Candidates who do not fulfil the abovementioned admission requirements, but who have duly attested significant experience relevant to the field of study in question, may apply for admission to the programme on the basis of an individualised admission procedure.

For more information on the procedure for admission by validation of learning from experience (VAE) in the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters: <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/valorisation-des-acquis-de-l-experience-vae.html>.

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

The [Master \[120\] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language](#) is no longer offered in 2026–2027. Students who were enrolled no later than 2025–26 may re-enroll and have two years to complete it. It will remain accessible in 2026–27 to second-year students from Fu Jen Catholic University and Hanoi University as part of the joint degree agreements with these two universities. A [Specialized Master's \(post-master's degree\) in Teaching French as a Foreign Language](#) will be launched in 2026–2027.

Eligibility criteria

A candidate's application will be deemed admissible if it meets all of the following criteria:

- Candidate's diploma from a **WHED-recognized institution** (see <https://www.whed.net/home.php>)
- Previous course of study including **at least 3 years of higher education** (equivalent to 180 ECTS credits), leading to an undergraduate degree; obtained in a maximum of 5 years.
- For holders of a **diploma obtained outside Belgium, an overall average of at least 60%** (12/20) for the course of study completed in the home institution and giving access to this program;
- For holders of a **diploma obtained outside the French-speaking Community of Belgium, official attestation of proficiency in the language(s)** at the required level (see specific admission conditions), to be attached to the application file. The official attestation must be issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see <https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members>).

If a document is missing from the online application, it must be justified (see [UCLouvain Enrolment Department's frequently asked questions](#), in particular "[What do I do if my online application asks for a document I don't yet have?](#)")

Applications that are deemed admissible are forwarded to the Faculty by Enrolment Services. Applications that do not meet these criteria are automatically rejected.

Eligibility criteria

Applications for access to the program are submitted to the Faculty by UCLouvain's Registrar's Office, and are examined by the program's jury in accordance with the specific conditions of access detailed above.

The jury decides on the admissibility of candidates on the basis of the information contained in their application file, the quality of the training they have undergone and the results they have obtained.

When examining the application, the jury will pay particular attention to the following points:

- **Consistency** between the candidate's previous academic career and the prerequisites for the targeted program. The match between the candidate's academic background and the UCLouvain bachelor's degree giving direct access to the master's program does not have to be perfect, but the skills acquired (see specific access conditions) must be close. Example: for an application for admission to a master's program in modern languages and literature, the candidate's previous training includes language and literature courses in both modern languages.
- **Grades obtained** in the program's major disciplines (see specific entry requirements);
- **Arguments put forward** by the candidate in his/her cover letter (training project in line with the program in question, coherence between the candidate's application and the program in question, etc.). Example: the language combination requested by the candidate is organized in the program.
- **Original covering letter.** An original covering letter is expected, explaining the personal training project. Any plagiarism or use of artificial intelligence in writing the letter to the jury will result in the application being disqualified.
- **Experience gained.** If the access diploma was obtained more than 5 years ago, it is imperative that the experience acquired since leaving school is directly related to the field of study of the programme applied for.

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Teaching method

The link between theoretical and practical aspects: the student prepares for a career by acquiring the intellectual tools which will help him carry out this job with aplomb; individual and group work help to make the course more stimulating. At the same time, under the expert guidance of teachers in this sector, the student carries out internships helping him get to know his strong points and weaknesses and remedy the latter.

The joint degree programmes with the University of Hanoi and the Fu Jen Catholic University promote teacher and student mobility, the exchange of courses (via e-learning, video-conferences, etc.) and of experience.

Although students can take advantage of a distance learning platform for certain courses, this Master's degree is not a [distance learning programme](#).

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [Academic regulations and procedures](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

Depending on the nature of the course and the teaching methods, students may be assessed in different ways. Some courses will involve traditional oral and/or written assessments (held during one of the three exam sessions, in January, June and August/September), while the evaluation of seminars will involve more substantial student participation as well as assessment of individual course work. Assessment methods will be explained at the beginning of each course.

Some subjects, focusing on the development of research and critical skills, will require students to give presentations and take part in debates at certain times during the year (continuous assessment).

To obtain a student's average, the grades awarded for each course unit are weighted by the number of credits allocated to each unit.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

Double degree programmes

Two double degree programmes are offered within the framework of the master's degree in French and Romance languages and letters, French as a foreign language focus. Within a double degree track, the universities recognise as equivalent the courses taken in the other university. Double degree programmes enhance:

- staff and student mobility,
- exchange of courses (via e-learning and video-conferences),
- sharing of experience.

Students selected for a double degree programme are required to write a single Master's dissertation which is supervised by two professors one from both universities. An examining board made up of two co-promoters and other experts from the partner assesses the joint Master's dissertations.

Further information about the two double degree programmes available to students interested in the Master's degree are available via the following links:

- [Hanoi University, Vietnam](#) (in French)
- [Fu Jen Catholic University, Taiwan](#) (in French)

International Mobility

Students pursuing a [Master \[120\] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language](#) may, as part of their studies, undertake:

- a **study visit** for one term (30 credits) in one of the [many universities](#) with which the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters has concluded partnership agreements, in Europe under the Erasmus+ programme, in Switzerland under the SEMP programme, or elsewhere in the world under the FAME/Mercator programme, or
- a **study visit** for one term (30 credits) in one of the partner universities in Flanders, under the Erasmus Belgica programme.

It is advisable to organise the study visit during the first term of the second annual unit.

Students can undertake an internship in Belgium or abroad as part of their study programme. Internships must be related to the specialization (focus) or, in some cases, to the preparation for the MA dissertation.

To find out more:

- [Contacts](#)

- [Practical information](#) (in French)
- [Information on international internships](#) (in French)

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