# FRENCH AND ITALIAN

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Courses given in French and Italian have the subject codes FRENGEN, FRENLIT, ITALGEN, and ITALLIT. For courses in French or Italian language instruction with the subject code FRENLANG or ITALLANG, see the "Language Center" section of this bulletin. For a complete list of subject codes, see Appendix B.

## FRENCH SECTION

The French section provides students with the opportunity to pursue course work at all levels in French language, literature, cultural and intellectual history, theory, film, and Francophone studies. It understands the domain of "French Studies" in the broadest possible sense: as encompassing the complex of cultural, political, social, scientific, commercial, and intellectual phenomena associated with French-speaking parts of the world, from France and Belgium to Canada, Africa, and the Caribbean.

Three degree programs are available in French: a B.A. (with two concentrations), a terminal M.A., and a Ph.D. (with various possible minors and combined degrees).

A curator for Romance Languages oversees the extensive French collection at Green Library. The Hoover Institute on War, Revolution, and Peace also includes a wealth of materials on 20th-century France and on French social and political movements.

A distinguished group of visiting faculty and instructors contributes regularly to the life of the French section. The section maintains frequent contacts with the Ecole Normale Supérieure, the Institut d'Etudes Politiques, the Ecole Polytechnique, and other prestigious institutions.

France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies — The France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies, founded in partnership with the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, aims to bridge the disciplines of the humanities, social sciences, sciences, engineering, business, and law, addressing historical and contemporary issues from a broad range of perspectives. Its programs bring faculty and students from across Stanford's departments and schools together and in contact with colleagues in France to explore issues of common intellectual concern. The center invites to campus French-speaking scholars who offer courses or give lectures or seminars in various University centers and programs. It currently facilitates internships for Stanford students in computer science and engineering in Sophia-Antipolis, France's new high-tech center near Nice.

Stanford in Paris - The Stanford Overseas Studies Program in Paris offers undergraduates the opportunity to study in France during the Autumn, Winter, and Spring quarters. It provides a wide range of academic options, including course work at the Stanford center and at the University of Paris, independent study projects, and internships. In addition, the program promotes a high degree of interaction with the local community through volunteer employment, homestays, and internships. The minimum language requirement for admission into Stanford in Paris is one year of French at the college level.

Courses offered in Paris may count toward fulfillment of the requirements of the French major or minor. Specialized offerings at the Stanford home campus and in Paris encourage engineering students to study abroad and to coordinate internships through the department to work in France. Students should consult with the Director of Undergraduate Studies before attending the program, and after returning, in order to ensure that course work and skills acquired abroad can be coordinated appropriately with their degree program. Detailed information, including program requirements and curricular offerings, may be obtained from the "Overseas Studies" section of this bulletin, the Stanford in Paris web site http://osp.stanford.edu/program/paris, or the Overseas Studies Program Office in Sweet Hall.

# UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS BACHELOR OF ARTS

The French section offers a major and a minor in French. Students are encouraged to pursue a course of study tailored to their individual needs and interests. For some students, a degree in French serves as a stepping stone to entering international business or law; for others, it provides training as a translator or teacher; for others, it serves as preparation for graduate studies in French, History, or Comparative Literature.

The French literature, culture, and civilization specialization allows students to combine their work in French with work from another field such as African studies, linguistics, art history, music, economics, history, education, medicine, international relations, political science, or other foreign languages and literatures. The literature and philosophy specialization offers students the opportunity to pursue interdisciplinary studies at the intersection of literature and philosophy in a structured manner and alongside similarly interested students from a variety of humanistic disciplines.

Students who complete the department's two quarter IHUM sequence are eligible for 5 units towards the French major or minor. Students enrolled in the French language discussion section of the IHUM sequence receive, in addition to these 5 units, an additional 4 units (2 per quarter), assuming that they complete the written work in French.

Prerequisites—Before declaring a French major, a student must be proficient in written and spoken French at a second-year college level. Such proficiency must be demonstrated either:

- 1. by having completed the entire language sequence up to and including FRENLANG 23;
- 2. by having scored a 5 or better on either the French language or the French literature Advanced Placement (AP) exams; or
- 3. by having demonstrated equivalent proficiency on the departmental placement exam offered at the beginning of each academic quarter.

Students not meeting at least one of these criteria are required to complete the portion of the language sequence as deemed necessary by the department before beginning to take courses toward the major.

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

The French major requires a minimum of 56 units, all courses of which must be taken for a letter grade and must be selected in accordance with the following requirements:

- 1. Advanced language (ca. 4 units): FRENLANG 126, Stylistics and Textual Analysis
- 2. Introductory series on French and Francophone literature and culture (ca. 12 units): three courses must be taken from the FRENLIT 130, 131, 132, 133 sequence. A 130-level course fulfills the Writing in the Major requirement.
- 3. Research Seminar (2 units): a majors-only seminar, DLCL 189, must be taken in the Autumn Quarter of the senior year. This course prepares and assists students as they undertake either their senior project (see below) or honors thesis. It also familiarizes them with research resources in the department and University and helps students think

- critically about their research topics. By the end of the course, students must have chosen an adviser, generally a faculty member in the department, who offers support and feedback throughout the development of the senior project or honors thesis.
- 4. Ancien Régime courses (ca. 8 units): at least two courses must concern the period before July 1789. Courses fulfilling this requirement within the department must be drawn from the 140 level or above. Courses chosen from outside the department must be preapproved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.
- 5. Upper-level French courses (ca. 8 units): at least two additional courses must be taken with the department. In total, at least 32 units of course work must be taken within the department. No more than three courses numbered lower than 130 may be counted towards the major.
- 6. Remaining courses (ca. 22 units): the student is encouraged to use the remaining five or more courses to develop a specialized knowledge of a specific domain related to either the senior project or the honors thesis. These courses must show obvious internal consistency and relevance to the chosen focus, and must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies. Where possible, students are encouraged to complete their written work in French.
- 7. One course, for a maximum of 4 units, may be drawn from individual work (199).

Senior Project—In order to demonstrate the quality of his or her scholarly work and command of written French, each major not writing an honors thesis (see "Honors Program" below) is required to submit a senior project to the project adviser before May 15 of the senior year. The project consists of a research paper with a target length of 20 pages and must be written in French.

The senior project is not graded and no credit is offered for it. However, acceptance of the senior project by the project adviser is a condition for graduation from the department. A paper deemed unsatisfactory by the project adviser is returned to the student for rework and resubmission by an agreed-upon date.

Students are advised to begin thinking about their senior projects as early as their junior year, even if they are in Paris. While in Paris, students should avail themselves of the unique resources the city has to offer for research on their chosen topic.

## FRENCH AND PHILOSOPHY

The French and Philosophy major specialization requires a minimum of 16 courses, for a minimum total of 65 units, distributed as follows:

- 1. Advanced language (ca. 4 units): FRENLANG 126, Stylistics and Textual Analysis.
- 2. Introductory Series on French and Francophone Literature and Culture (ca. 12 units): three courses must be taken from the FRENLIT 130, 131, 132, 133 sequence.
- 3. Philosophy Writing in the Major (5 units): PHIL 80. Prerequisite: introductory philosophy class.
- 4. Philosophy and Literature Gateway Course (4 units): FRENGEN 181 (same as PHIL 81). This course should be taken as early as possible in the student's career, normally in the sophomore year.
- 5. Aesthetics, Ethics, Political Philosophy (ca. 4 units): one course from the PHIL 170 series.
- 6. Language, Mind, Metaphysics, and Epistemology (ca. 4 units): one course from the PHIL 180 series.
- 7. History of Philosophy (ca. 8 units): two courses in the history of philosophy, numbered above PHIL 100.
- 8. Upper Division French Courses (ca. 12 units): at least three courses numbered FRENLIT/FRENGEN 140 or higher.
- 9. Related Courses (ca. 8 units): two upper division courses relevant to the student's chosen area of specialization. One course (4 units) may be FRENLIT 199, Individual Work.
- 10. Capstone Seminar (ca. 4 units): chosen from a set of seminars chosen by the undergraduate adviser of the program in philosophical and literary thought. This course must be taken in the student's senior year.

The capstone seminar and the two related courses must be approved by both the undergraduate adviser of French and the undergraduate ad-

viser of the program in philosophical and literary thought administered through the DLCL. Substitutions, including transfer credit, will not normally be permitted for items 5, 6, and 7, and are not permitted under any circumstances for items 3, 4, and 10. Up to 10 units of courses taken in the Philosophy department may be taken CR/NC or S/NS; the remainder must be taken for a letter grade.

#### EXTENDED MAJORS

Requirements for both extended majors are essentially identical to those of the French major with a concentration in French literature.

French and English Literatures - In addition to the requirements for the B.A. in French, candidates complete four English literature courses numbered 100 and above related to their French program.

French and Italian Literatures — In addition to the requirements for the B.A. in French, students complete four Italian courses numbered 200 and above related to their concentration in French.

#### DIGITAL HUMANITIES MODULE

The French and Italian department, in collaboration with the Humanities Lab, also offers a digital humanities module that can be combined with any of the department's major programs. Students who are interested in digital humanities should contact the department's Director of Undergraduate Studies who facilitates coordination with the Humanities Lab. Students planning to combine the French major and the digital humanities module must fulfill the following requirements in addition to the general major requirements:

- 1. CS 105 or equivalent
- 2. Participate in the Humanities Lab Gateway core seminar (4 units)
- 3. Complete the Humanities Lab Practicum (2 units) in the junior year
- 4. Complete one digital project, in lieu of the course's main writing requirement, in a course offered in the department under the supervision of the course instructor and humanities lab adviser. This should usually be done in an upper-division course.

Students are encouraged to enroll in DLCL 99, Multimedia Course Lab, when working on the digital course project.

#### **MINORS**

Students considering a minor in French are encouraged to design a course of studies that fosters their understanding of the interaction between French and their major field of specialization. A minimum of 24 units of undergraduate work beyond the French 23 level must be completed. All courses must be taken for a letter grade.

Requirements for the minor include one advanced language course (at the 120 level); three of the introductory series on French and Francophone literature and culture (FRENLIT 130-133); and a minimum of two additional courses in language or literature numbered 121 and above. Of these, only one may be taught in English. All courses must be chosen in consultation with the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Double-counting is not permitted; in other words, courses used to satisfy French minor requirements may not be counted toward a student's major or toward a second minor.

## MINOR IN LITERATURE

An undergraduate minor in Literature is offered through the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages and includes courses offered through the Department of French and Italian and the Language Center. Students should consult the "Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages" section of this bulletin for further details about the minor and its requirements.

## MINOR IN MODERN LANGUAGES

An undergraduate minor in Modern Languages is offered through the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages and includes courses offered through the Department of French and Italian and the Language Center. Students should consult the "Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages" section of this bulletin for further details about the minor and its requirements.

## **CROSSDISCIPLINARY STUDIES**

## FRENCH AND LINGUISTICS

Linguistics majors may elect to specialize in the French language. In addition to 50 units in Linguistics, of which two courses (LINGUIST 110 and 160) may be replaced by comparable courses in French, students opting for a French Language specialization must take three courses in the introductory series devoted to French and Francophone literature and culture (FRENLIT 130-133). For full details, contact the Department of Linguistics.

## **HONORS PROGRAM**

Majors are eligible to apply to the honors program if they have maintained an average grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 in five upper-division French courses. The honors program candidate must fulfill all regular requirements for the major, save the senior project, from which he or she is exempt. Instead, the student undertakes the writing of a research paper no shorter than 50 pages in length, written in French or English, on a specialized topic. No later than the end of the Spring Quarter of the junior year, the student must submit to the Director of Undergraduate Studies an "Application for Honors in French," the central portion of which must contain an outline of the proposed honors essay. If it is in need of revisions, the Director of Undergraduate Studies helps the student through the revision process until the proposal is granted his or her approval. (The Director of Undergraduate Studies also helps the student identify an appropriate adviser for the essay.) Students may enroll for 2 units of credit in FRENLIT 198 for the drafting or revision of the thesis proposal in Spring Quarter of the junior year. In Autumn Quarter of the senior year, honors students must enroll in DLCL 189, a 5-unit seminar that focuses on researching and writing the honors thesis. Students then enroll for 5 units of credit in FRENLIT 198 while composing the thesis during Winter Quarter. A total of 10-12 units are awarded for successful completion of honors course work, independent study, and the finished thesis. All honors essays are due to the thesis adviser no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 15 of the terminal year. If an essay is found deserving of grade of 'A-' or better by the thesis adviser, honors are granted at the time of graduation.

Honors College — The Department of French and Italian encourages all honors students to enroll in the honors college run by the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages. The college meets at the end of every summer, during the weeks directly preceding the start of the academic year, and is designed to help students develop their honors thesis projects. Applications must be submitted by the Spring Quarter of the same calendar year. For more information, contact the undergraduate student services officer.

# **COTERMINAL BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S PROGRAM**

Each year the department admits a very small number of highly motivated undergraduates to its coterminal B.A. and M.A. degree in French. Applications must be submitted by January 31 of the senior year to the department chair and must include: a written statement of purpose, two letters of recommendation from faculty at Stanford, and a transcript. Students accepted into the coterminal program must have been undergraduate French majors and must meet all requirements that apply to both degrees.

For University coterminal degree program rules and University application forms, see http://registrar.stanford.edu/shared/publications.

# LA MAISON FRANCAISE

La Maison Française, 610 Mayfield, is an undergraduate residence that serves as a campus French cultural center, hosting in-house seminars as well as social events, film series, readings, and lectures by distinguished representatives of French and Francophone intellectual, artistic, and political life.

## GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Admission to the M.A. and Ph.D. Programs—Applications and admissions information may be obtained from Graduate Admissions in the Registrar's Office, or at http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu. Applicants should read the general regulations governing degrees in the "Graduate Degrees" section of this bulletin. They should have preparation equivalent to an undergraduate major in French and should also have reached a high level of speaking and writing proficiency in French. Previous study of a language other than French is also highly desirable. Recent Graduate Record Examination (GRE) results are required, as is a writing sample representative of the applicant's best undergraduate work.

## MASTER OF ARTS

The terminal M.A. in French provides a flexible combination of language, literature, cultural history, and methodology course work designed to enhance the preparation of secondary school, junior college, or college teachers.

Candidates must complete a minimum of 45 units of graduate work, all courses being taken for a letter grade, with a grade point average (GPA) of 3.3, as well as pass the master's examination at the end of their training. To fulfill the requirements in a single year, enrollment must be for an average of 12 units per quarter.

Applications for admission to the Masters of Arts program must be received by March 29 of the prior academic year. Candidates for this degree are not eligible for financial aid or for teaching assistantships.

#### REQUIREMENTS

The basic program of 45 units requires the following course work:

- 1. One teaching methodology course, ordinarily APPLLING 201, The Learning and Teaching of Second Languages, the second-languagepedagogy course offered by the Stanford Language Center.
- 2. A cultural history course (to be taken either inside or outside the Department of French and Italian).
- 3. All remaining units are to be taken in advanced French literature courses (200 level or above), three of which must be concerned with the prerevolutionary period of French cultural history.

## **EXAMINATION**

The terminal M.A. examination is normally administered two weeks before the end of the Spring Quarter by the three members of the examination committee, selected each year by the Director of Graduate Studies. It consists of two parts:

1. The written exam (two hours) tests the candidate's general knowledge of French literature and is based on the same reading list as that for the Ph.D. qualifying exam (see below).

The exam requires that the candidate answer four questions (out of six) in a manner that demonstrates his/her ability to synthesize and draw parallels between periods, genres, and systems of representation on the basis of the standard reading list. At least one question must be answered in French and two in English. Use of a dictionary is allowed.

If the student's performance on the exam is deemed a 'pass' by two out of three of the members of the examining committee, the student is then permitted to go on to the oral examination (which is ordinarily taken later the same week).

Should the candidate fail the M.A. written exam, he/she is given a second chance at the end of the Spring Quarter.

2. The oral exam (90 minutes) assumes as its point of departure the student's answers on the written exam. It examines the candidate's knowledge and understanding of French literary history on the basis of the standard reading list.

At the conclusion of the oral exam, the examination committee meets in closed session and discusses the student's performance on the written and the oral portions of the examination. If it is judged adequate, the M.A. degree is granted. In no event may the master's written and oral exams be taken more than twice.

## **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

The Department of French and Italian provides students with the opportunity to pursue advanced work in French language, literature, cultural history, theory, and Francophone studies within a uniquely flexible interdisciplinary framework. Unlike conventional Ph.D. programs, it encourages students to construct a highly individualized course of study, integrating specialization in a particular literary period or area with work in such fields as art history, classics, film studies, the history of science and technology, linguistics, literary theory, music, and philosophy. The program is founded on the belief that such a balance between period/area specialization and interdisciplinary breadth is not only desirable but essential in a field such as French Studies. Students in the Ph.D. program are normally admitted as French Fellows on a four- to five-year fellowship plan that integrates their financial support with rigorous training as scholars and as prospective university faculty.

Students admitted to the program work closely with the Director of Graduate Studies in structuring a plan consistent with their needs and interests. Aside from the benefits of the program's flexible structure, a number of unique resources are available to students. The French section's exchange program with the Ecole Normale Supérieure provides candidates (selected on a competitive basis) with the opportunity to pursue dissertation research in Paris.

#### **ADVISING**

Given the interdisciplinary nature of the Ph.D. program in French and the opportunity it affords each student to create an individualized program of study, regular consultation with an adviser is of the utmost importance. The adviser for all entering graduate students is the Director of Graduate Studies, whose responsibility it is to assist students with their course planning and to keep a running check on progress in completing the course, teaching, and language requirements. By the end of the first year of study, each student must choose a faculty adviser whose expertise is appropriate to his or her own area of research and interests.

Entering graduate students are also paired with a faculty mentor as a function of their stated research interests at the time of admission. The role of the mentor is to advise the student on an informal basis regarding the student's academic program and plans.

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

A candidate for the Ph.D. degree in French must complete at least 135 units of graduate-level study and teach five language courses in the section. 72 of the 135 units must be taken within the department.

Students entering with a master's degree or previous graduate work may receive credit as determined on a case-by-case basis, up to a maximum of 45 units. Fellowship funding, teaching, and other requirements are adjusted according to University regulations.

## **REQUIRED/RECOMMENDED COURSES**

Three courses are required:

- 1. FRENGEN 369, Introduction to Graduate Studies: Fragments of a Material History of Literature, a 5-unit seminar offered in the Autumn Quarter of each year, designed to acquaint students with the theoretical and methodological concerns of literary study. This course must be taken in the first quarter of study.
- 2. Definition and Inquiry: FRENGEN 201E, New Methods and Sources in French and Italian Studies, a three-unit course designed to familiarize graduate students with research materials and techniques. This course must be taken no later than the end of the third year of study.
- 3. APPLLING 201, The Learning and Teaching of Second Languages, the second-language pedagogy course offered by the Stanford Language Center in the Spring Quarter of each year in order to prepare entering graduate students for teaching in their second year.

Distribution of Elective Courses—Apart from these requirements, students are granted considerable freedom in structuring a course of study appropriate to their individual needs. Of the 135 minimum units of graduate course work required for the Ph.D., at least 72 units must be taken within the Department of French and Italian.

Language Requirements - Attaining a native or near-native fluency in French is the individual responsibility of all candidates in the Ph.D. program, and remedial course work needed to achieve such fluency cannot count towards the Ph.D. degree. In addition, candidates are required to achieve a high level of proficiency in one additional foreign language, with the language in question to be determined by the student and his or her adviser as a function of the student's area of specialization. Such proficiency may be demonstrated either by successfully completing a third-year level or above undergraduate course or, better, a graduate seminar in the language in question; or by passing an exam that establishes a third-year or above level of competence in writing, reading, and speaking. (In no case is passage of a standard reading competence exam considered sufficient.) In the case of ancient Greek and Latin, a high level of proficiency means a level superior to a second year collegiate level of proficiency in reading and writing.

The second foreign language requirement should be completed as soon as possible, but in any case not later than the end of the third year for students who entered the program without an M.A., and not later than the end of the second year for students who entered the program with a master's degree. Completion of the language requirements is a prerequisite for taking the University Oral Examination.

#### **EXAMINATIONS**

There are three examinations: the 90-minute qualifying exam, the special topic exam, and the University oral examination.

Qualifying Examination—The first oral examination, which normally takes place at the end of Spring Quarter of the first year of study, tests the student's knowledge of the French language and of French literature. The student is responsible for scheduling the exam one month in advance. The date and time chosen must be determined in consultation with the examining committee (see below).

The exam is based on a standard reading list covering major works from all periods of French literature, from the Middle Ages to the contemporary scene. The list may be expanded to reflect a student's particular interests, but not abridged.

Half of the exam takes place in English, half in French (with the student free to choose which portion transpires in which language).

The exam consists of two parts:

- 1. A 20-minute presentation by the candidate on a topic to be determined by the student. This presentation may be given either in English or in French and should engage, in a succinct and synthetic manner, an issue or set of issues of broad relevance to French literary history about which the student has been thinking as he or she has been preparing the exam. The presentation must not simply be a text read aloud, but rather must be given from notes. It is meant to be suggestive and not exhaustive, so as to provoke further discussion.
- 2. A 70-minute question and answer period in which the examining committee follows up on the candidate's presentation and discusses the reading list with the student. At least part of this portion of the exam takes place in French. The student is expected to demonstrate a solid knowledge of the texts on the reading list and of the basic issues which they raise, as well as a broader sense of the cultural/literary context into which they fit.

The examining committee consists of two faculty members selected by the student, as well as the Director of Graduate Studies.

Two weeks before the exam, the student must also submit a graduate seminar paper which he or she considers representative of the quality of his or her graduate work at Stanford.

On the basis of this paper, the results of the qualifying examination, and an evaluation of the student's overall progress, the members of the student's examining committee vote for or against admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. The terminal master's degree may be awarded to students who have completed the qualifying procedure, but whose work is judged insufficient for admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. If the overall case for or against promotion to candidacy is deemed uncertain, students may be asked either to retake the qualifying exam, to submit a new paper, or they may be admitted to candidacy on a probationary basis. Subject to approval by the Director of Graduate Studies and department chair, students already holding an advanced degree in French Studies, when admitted to the French Ph.D. program, may be excused from the qualifying exam. However, they must present a formal request for a waiver to the Director of Graduate Studies upon their arrival at Stanford. Such a request must document the course work completed elsewhere and include all relevant reading lists. Only in cases where taking the qualifying exam would involve considerable repetition of already completed work is such a waiver likely to be granted.

Special Topic Examination—The second oral examination, which normally takes place at the end of Spring Quarter of the second year of study, concerns a topic (a particular literary genre or a broad theoretical, historical, or interdisciplinary question) freely chosen and developed by the individual student working in collaboration with his or her adviser and the Director of Graduate Studies. Students should design this research project so that it has the breadth and focus of a book they might write or a seminar they might teach. The proposed topic should be discussed with the Director of Graduate Studies before the end of the quarter preceding the quarter in which they plan to take the exam. The student and the Director of Graduate Studies choose a committee of two faculty members with interests close to the proposed topic. (In most cases, one of these committee members is the student's adviser.) In addition to these two members, the examination committee includes the Director of Graduate Studies, who serves in an ex officio capacity as the third member of the examination committee.

At the beginning of the quarter in which he or she takes this examination, the student discusses research plans with committee members, who offer suggestions on the project and on the reading list. In general, the reading list should be between one and two single-spaced pages in length. In the course of the quarter, the student should regularly consult with committee members to discuss his or her progress. The actual examination lasts one hour. The candidate must present a tentative reading list to the members of the committee about twelve weeks before the examination and a final reading list at least one week before the examination. This list, to be headed by a title describing the topic of the examination, may be divided into two parts: core works that the student has found to be central to his or her topic, and works that fill out the periphery of the topic. Two copies of the final reading list must be given to the student services officer for the Division of Languages, Cultures, and Literatures: one for the student's file and one for a special file which subsequent students can consult. The examination assumes the form of an oral colloquy between the student and the examining committee. It concentrates on the conclusions to which the student's research has led him or her, and aims to determine the student's overall mastery of the research topic in question. At the beginning of the examination, the student presents a talk of no longer than 20 minutes (not to be written out, but to be presented from notes) reviewing the results of his or her reading and outlining the major features and implications of the chosen topic. The remainder of the hour is devoted to a discussion between the student and the committee regarding the problems the student raised in the talk and the reading list itself.

The following procedures are applicable to both the qualifying and special topic exams:

- The committee meets briefly at the end of the exam and immediately informs the student as to whether he or she has passed the examination.
- 2. In the week after the examination, the student is expected to meet individually with members of the committee to discuss strengths and weaknesses revealed during the qualifying exam or colloquy.
- The Director of Graduate Studies places a brief letter describing each one-hour oral exam in the student's file, a copy of which is also be furnished to the student.

The University Orals—The University Ph.D. examination follows most of the same procedures outlined above. Normally students put one, and at most two, full-time quarters of study into preparation for the exam. The University oral exam should virtually always be taken at the end of Spring Quarter of the third year of study. Students must complete minimum course requirements (as listed in this bulletin) and all language and course requirements before the quarter in which they take the University oral examination.

Early in the quarter before they intend to take the University Ph.D. examination, students must discuss the scope and nature of the period to be covered, as well as the dissertation proposal, with the Director of Graduate Studies. The reading list should include works in all genres relevant to the period covered. The amount of non-literary or crossdisciplinary material on the reading list varies according to the period and the research interests of the student. Students ordinarily cover about a century of writing in great depth. As with the preceding examinations, the Director of Graduate Studies and the student determine the committee's makeup.

The governing principle is that the University oral examination in French must be a period examination rather than one on the specific concerns of the dissertation proposal, which is dealt with separately in a later colloquium. It follows from this basic principle that the examination covers the major authors and genres in the student's period of choice. The lists may well include critical and scholarly works or texts from outside the traditional domain of French literary studies (such as film, philosophy, other literary traditions), but such coverage should be regarded as supplemental except in rare instances where the chair and faculty advisers have agreed to define these materials as the student's field.

The aim of the University oral is to establish the student's credentials as a specialist in the period of his or her choosing, so the core of the reading list must be made up of texts that are essential to any specialist. It follows that reading lists must not focus on the narrow area of the student's research interests. The tendency to bias reading lists toward the dissertation topic, be it an author or a genre, does not cancel the obligation to cover the major figures and genres. It is understandable that some students, by their third year, have become so deeply committed to their work toward the dissertation that they wish to use the preparation period for the examination as part of their dissertation research. Certainly, some of the exam work will prove relevant, but they should also remember that the examination is the central means of certifying their expertise in a literary period.

The exam committee consists of four members, in addition to a committee chair from outside the Department of French and Italian whose principal functions are to keep track of time and to call on the four members of the committee who question the candidate on the talk and on the reading list. Students are required to discuss the reading list for the examination with the Director of Graduate Studies and with members of their committee during the quarter preceding the examination. A final reading list must be in the hands of the committee and the student services officer for the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages no later than two weeks preceding the examination. Students must submit the Request for University Oral Exam form to the student services officer at least three weeks before the proposed date of the exam. At the same time this form is submitted, students should also submit the Notice of Appointment of the Ph.D. dissertation reading committee. In addition, a Report on Ph.D. Foreign Language must be completed, certifying a reading knowledge of the foreign language the student presents to meet the language requirements. The two-hour examination consists of the following two parts:

1. Forty minutes: a 20-minute talk by the candidate followed by a 20-minute question and answer period concerning the talk.

Working with the committee members, the candidate's adviser will prepare three or more questions to be presented to the candidate at 8:00 a.m. on the day of the examination. These questions concern broad topics pertinent to the candidate's reading list and period of specialization, including concerns relevant, but by no means limited to, the student's projected dissertation. The candidate chooses one of the questions and develops a 20-minute talk in response. Students must not read from a prepared text, but rather must speak from notes. They are free to consult any necessary materials while preparing the talk. The candidate is questioned for 20 minutes on the talk, with the dissertation adviser starting the questioning.

2. One hour, 20 minutes: questions on the area of concentration.

Each member of the committee, except for the chair, is assigned a 20-minute period to question the candidate on the reading list and its intellectual-historical implications.

The University oral examination is a formal University event. It represents the last occasion for the faculty to evaluate a student's overall preparation as a candidate for the Ph.D. After the University orals, only the

colloquium on the dissertation prospectus and certification of the final dissertation by the student's reading committee stand in the way of conferral of the Ph.D. The examination, therefore, is a uniquely significant event and is designed to evaluate the student's preparation as a specialist in a given sector of French studies, but within a broader context than that provided by a single course, examination, or even the dissertation itself.

#### **DISSERTATION**

The doctoral dissertation should demonstrate the ability to carry out research, organize, and present the results in publishable form. The scope of the dissertation should be such that it could be completed in 12 to 18 months of full-time work.

Colloquium on the Dissertation Proposal—The colloquium normally takes place in the quarter following the University oral examination; in most cases this means early in Autumn Quarter of the student's fourth year of study. The colloquium lasts one hour, begins with a brief introduction to the dissertation prospectus by the student (lasting no more than ten minutes), and consists of a discussion of the prospectus by the student and the three readers of the dissertation. At the end of the hour, the faculty readers vote on the outcome of the colloquium. If the outcome is favorable (by majority vote), the student is free to proceed with work on the dissertation. If the proposal is found to be unsatisfactory (by majority vote), the dissertation readers may ask the student to revise and resubmit the dissertation prospectus and to schedule a second colloquium.

The prospectus must be prepared in close consultation with the dissertation director during the months preceding the colloquium. It must be submitted in its final form to the readers no later than one week before the colloquium. A prospectus should not exceed ten double-spaced pages, in addition to which it should include a working bibliography of primary and secondary sources. It should offer a synthetic overview of the dissertation, describe its methodology and the project's relation to prior scholarship on the topic, and lay out a complete chapter-by-chapter plan.

It is the student's responsibility to schedule the colloquium no later than the first half of the guarter subsequent to the guarter in which the student passed the University oral examination. The student should arrange the date and time in consultation with the student services officer and with the three examiners. The student services officer schedules an appropriate room for the colloquium.

Members of the dissertation reading committee ordinarily are drawn from the University oral examination committee, but need not be the same.

## **JOINT DEGREES AND MINORS**

A candidate may also take a joint degree in French and Humanities, as described in the "Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities" section of this bulletin. Minors are possible in Comparative Literature, Italian, Linguistics, Modern Thought and Literature, and other departments offering related courses such as Art and Art History, History, Music, Philosophy, and Spanish.

Students interested in a joint degree or a minor should design their course of study with their adviser(s). Joint degrees and minors usually require 24 additional units. With careful planning, students may complete course work for the Ph.D. and the minor in a total of nine quarters.

Ph.D. Minor in French Literature — The department offers a minor in French Literature. The requirement for a minor in French is successful completion of 24 units of graduate course work in the French section with a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or above. Interested students should consult the graduate adviser.

## **ITALIAN SECTION**

The Italian section offers a variety of graduate and undergraduate programs in Italian language, literature, culture, and intellectual history. Course offerings range from small and highly specialized graduate seminars to general courses open to all students on authors such as Dante, Boccaccio, and Machiavelli.

On the undergraduate level, a number of options are available. In addition to the Italian major, students may choose from a minor in Italian, an honors program in the Humanities (see the "Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities" section of this bulletin), an honors program in Italian, and two extended majors: one in Italian and French literature, and one in Italian and English literature.

On the graduate level, programs of study leading to the M.A. degree and the Ph.D. degree are offered in Italian literature. Joint programs for the Ph.D. degree with the graduate programs in Comparative Literature, Humanities, and Modern Thought and Literature are also available.

Special collections and facilities at Stanford offer the possibility for extensive research in Italian studies and related fields. These include the undergraduate and graduate libraries and the Hoover Institution for the Study of War, Revolution, and Peace. Collections in Green Research Library are especially strong in the Medieval, Renaissance, and contemporary periods; the Italian section is one of the larger constituents of the Western European collection at the Hoover Library; and the Music Library has excellent holdings in Italian opera.

Stanford in Italy—Stanford in Florence affords undergraduates with at least three quarters of Italian the opportunity to take advantage of the unique intellectual and visual resources of the city and to focus on two areas: Renaissance History and Art, and Contemporary Italian and European Studies. The program is structured to help integrate students as fully as possible into Italian culture through homestays, Florence University courses, the Language Partners Program, research, internship and public service opportunities, and by conducting some of the program's classes completely in Italian. Many of the courses offered in Florence may count toward the fulfillment of requirements for the Italian major or minor. Students are encouraged to consult with the Italian undergraduate adviser before and after a sojourn in Florence to ensure that their course selections meet Italian section requirements. Information on the Florence program is available in the "Overseas Studies" section of this bulletin, the Stanford in Florence web site http://osp.stanford.edu/program/florence, or at the Overseas Studies office in Sweet Hall.

# UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS BACHELOR OF ARTS

The Italian major offers students the opportunity to develop an in-depth knowledge of Italian literature, language, and civilization through a highly flexible program combining course work in Italian with work in such fields as art history, classics, comparative literature, economics, English, French, history, international relations, music, philosophy, and political science. All Italian majors are required to have completed three second-year language courses (or the equivalent taken at the Florence campus):

ITALLANG 21. Second-Year Italian, First Quarter

ITALLANG 22. Second-Year Italian, Second Quarter

ITALLANG 23. Second-Year Italian, Third Quarter

Completion of the department's two quarter Great Works IHUM sequence (see above) entitles a student to 5 units towards the Italian major or minor. Students considering an Italian major should consult with the Italian undergraduate adviser as early as possible (even before completing the language requirement) in order to ensure a maximum of flexibility in designing a course of study suited to individual needs and cultural interests.

Italian majors must complete 60 units of course work above the 100 level.

The remaining requirements for the major are:

- 1. A minimum of 32 units of Italian courses (selected from courses numbered 100 and above).
- 2. Of these courses, at least one on Dante is required, as well as at least one in each of the following areas: (a) the Middle Ages; (b) the early modern period; and (c) the modern period. A Dante course may fulfill the Middle Ages requirement.
- 3. The intermediate-level survey sequence (ITALLIT 127, 128, 129).
- One advanced language course beyond the level of ITALLANG 114.

Of the 60 units required for the major, up to 28 units of course work in related fields may be taken outside the department.

#### **ITALIAN AND PHILOSOPHY**

A second option is now possible within the Italian major, offering students the opportunity to combine studies in literature and philosophy. Students take most of their courses alongside students from departments specializing in the intersection of literature and philosophy.

The Italian and Philosophy major track requires a minimum of 16 courses, for a minimum total of 65 units, distributed as follows:

- 1. Italian Survey Sequence (ca. 12 units): ITALLIT 127, 128, 129.
- 2. Advanced Language Course (ca. 4 units): ITALLANG 114 and above.
- 3. Philosophy Writing in the Major (5 units): PHIL 80. Prerequisite: introductory philosophy class.
- 4. Philosophy and Literature Gateway Course (4 units): ITALGEN 181 (same as PHIL 81). This course should be taken as early as possible in the student's career, normally in the sophomore year.
- 5. Aesthetics, Ethics, Political Philosophy (ca. 4 units): one course from the PHIL 170 series.
- 6. Language, Mind, Metaphysics, and Epistemology (ca. 4 units): one course from the PHIL 180 series.
- 7. History of Philosophy (ca. 8 units): two courses in the history of philosophy, numbered above PHIL 100.
- 8. Upper Division Italian Courses (ca. 12 units): at least three courses numbered ITALLIT/ITALGEN 100 or higher.
- 9. Related Courses (ca. 8 units): two upper division courses relevant to the student's chosen area of specialization.
- 10. Capstone Seminar (ca. 4 units): to be selected from a set of seminars chosen by the undergraduate adviser of the program in philosophical and literary thought. This course must be taken in the student's senior year.

The capstone seminar and the two related courses must be approved by both the undergraduate adviser of Italian and the undergraduate adviser of the program in philosophical and literary thought administered through the DLCL. No more than 24 units may be drawn from courses offered overseas. Substitutions, including transfer credit, will not normally be permitted for items 5, 6, and 7, and are not permitted under any circumstances for items 3, 4, and 10. Up to 10 units of courses taken in the Philosophy department may be taken CR/NC or S/NS; the remainder must be taken for a letter grade.

#### **EXTENDED MAJORS**

Requirements for both extended majors are essentially identical to those of the Italian major with a concentration in Italian literature.

Italian and English Literatures — In addition to the 32 units required for the B.A. in Italian, candidates must complete four English literature courses numbered 100 and above related to the field of concentration in Italian Studies.

Italian and French Literatures - In addition to the 32 units required for the B.A. in Italian, candidates must complete four French literature courses numbered 100 and above related to the field of concentration in Italian Studies.

## **DIGITAL HUMANITIES MODULE**

The French and Italian department, in collaboration with the Humanities Lab, also offers a digital humanities module that can be combined with any of the department's major programs. Students who are interested in digital humanities should contact the department's Director of Undergraduate Studies who facilitates coordination with the Humanities Lab. Students planning to combine the Italian major and the digital humanities module must fulfill the following requirements in addition to the general major requirements:

- 1. CS 105 or equivalent
- 2. Participate in the Humanities Lab Gateway core seminar (4 units)
- 3. Complete the Humanities Lab Practicum (2 units) in the junior year
- 4. Complete one digital project, in lieu of the course's main writing requirement, in a course offered in the department under the supervision of the course instructor and humanities lab adviser. This should usually be done in an upper-division course.

Students are encouraged to enroll in DLCL 99, Multimedia Course Lab, when working on the digital course project.

#### **MINORS**

Students considering a minor in Italian are encouraged to design a course of studies that fosters their understanding of the interaction between Italian and their second area of expertise. A minimum of 24 units of undergraduate work beyond the Italian 3 level must be completed.

Requirements for the minor include two intermediate language courses (chosen from ITALLANG 21, 22, and 23); all three of the introductory series on Italian literature and culture (ITALLIT 127, 128, 129); and a minimum of one advanced course in language or literature numbered 114 and above. All courses must be chosen in consultation with the Director of Undergraduate Studies, who is responsible for evaluating all requests and individual study plans for the minor.

#### MINOR IN LITERATURE

An undergraduate minor in Literature is offered through the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages and includes courses offered through the Department of French and Italian and the Language Center. Students should consult the "Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages" section of this bulletin for further details about the minor and its requirements.

## MINOR IN MODERN LANGUAGES

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# **HONORS PROGRAMS**

#### **ITALIAN**

Italian majors with a grade point average (GPA) of 3.3 (B+) or better in all Italian courses are eligible for department honors. Students interested in the honors program should consult the Italian undergraduate adviser early in their junior year. In addition to the requirements listed above, the student must submit to the Italian faculty a proposal for the honors essay by the end of Spring Quarter of the junior year. During the quarter, students may enroll in ITALLIT 198 while drafting and revising the proposal and conducting preliminary research. In Autumn Quarter of the senior year, honors students must enroll in DLCL 189, a 5-unit seminar that focuses on researching and writing the honors thesis. Students then enroll for 5 units of credit in ITALLIT 198 while composing the thesis during Winter Quarter. A total of 10-12 units are awarded for successful completion of honors course work, independent study, and the finished thesis.

#### **HUMANITIES**

An honors program in the Humanities is available for Italian majors who wish to supplement their studies with a carefully structured program of humanistic studies. See the "Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities" section of this bulletin for further information.

# COTERMINAL BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S **PROGRAM**

Each year the department admits a small number of highly motivated undergraduates to its coterminal B.A. and M.A. degree in Italian. Applications must be submitted by January 31 of the senior year to the department chair and must include: a written statement of purpose, two letters of recommendation from faculty at Stanford, and a transcript. Students accepted into the coterminal program must have been undergraduate Italian majors and must meet all requirements that apply to both degrees.

## LA CASA ITALIANA

La Casa Italiana, 562 Mayfield, is an undergraduate residence devoted to developing an awareness of Italian language and culture. It works closely with the Italian Cultural Institute in San Francisco and with other local cultural organizations. It often hosts visiting representatives of Italian intellectual, artistic, and political life. A number of departmental courses are regularly taught at the Casa, which also offers in-house seminars. Assignment is made through the regular undergraduate housing draw.

# **GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

Admission to the Program—Candidates are expected to be proficient in the Italian language and to have done significant course work in Italian literature and/or Italian studies on the undergraduate level. Candidates with a broad humanistic and linguistic background are especially encouraged to apply. Contact Graduate Admissions in the Registrar's Office, 630 Serra Street, Suite 120, or see http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu, for application information. Recent Graduate Record Examination (GRE) results are required.

# **MASTER OF ARTS TERMINAL PROGRAM**

The M.A. in Italian provides a combination of language, literature, civilization, and general courses designed to prepare secondary school, junior college, or college teachers. It is preferred that applicants have an undergraduate degree in Italian or in a related field. Knowledge of a second Romance language is desirable.

Candidates must complete a minimum of 45 units of graduate work, all courses being taken for a letter grade, with a GPA of 3.3 (B+), and pass a comprehensive oral examination (see "Qualifying Examination" section below for the Ph.D.). To fulfill the requirements in one year (four quarters), students should enroll for an average of 12 units per quarter.

The basic course program (45 units) is nine graduate courses in Italian, one of which may be in a related field. The option of substituting a master's thesis for two literature courses is available.

Reading knowledge of a second Romance language is required. French is recommended.

Requirements for the completion of the M.A. include a comprehensive literature and language oral examination, which is given before the end of Spring Quarter or at the beginning of the following Autumn Quarter. Before taking the exam, a candidate for the degree must submit to the Italian faculty a sample graduate seminar paper representative of the quality of his or her graduate work. On the basis of this paper, the results of the comprehensive examination, and the student's overall progress, members of the department vote for or against awarding of the M.A. degree.

Applications for admission must be received by May 31. Candidates for this degree are not eligible for financial aid or teaching assistantships.

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Stanford's Ph.D. program in Italian offers the opportunity for advanced work in Italian literature and studies within a flexible interdisciplinary framework. It is independent of the Ph.D. program in French and aims to encourage students to bring broad methodological and interdisciplinary concerns to bear on the study of Italian literature. While it places primary emphasis on developing a command of Italian literature as a whole, it allows students to construct a highly individualized course of study, integrating specialization in a particular literary period with work in such fields as art history, classics, comparative literature, feminist studies, film, French, history, history of science, linguistics, literary theory, Medieval or Renaissance studies, philosophy, and religion. The program is founded on the belief that balance between period specialization and interdisciplinary breadth is essential in a small field such as Italian studies, particularly given the diversity of the Italian literary canon which extends over many disciplines.

Students admitted into the Ph.D. program in Italian work closely with the adviser in structuring a plan of study appropriate to needs and interests. Such a plan usually involves a mix of teaching and courses taken within the Italian program, courses taken in other departments, and independent

work under supervision of a member of the Italian faculty, thus integrating financial support with training as scholars and prospective university teachers. Assuming satisfactory academic progress, fellowships are typically offered for three or four years. Graduate-level work completed elsewhere may be counted as fulfilling part of the requirements for the degree. Students in the fifth year normally apply for outside fellowships or part-time teaching positions in the department.

Aside from the benefits of the program's structure and fellowship plan, a number of unique resources are available to Ph.D. students in Italian at Stanford. During their years of study, students may be permitted to take courses, pursue dissertation research, and do independent work at the Stanford campus in Florence under supervision of a member of the Italian faculty. The Florence center, located in a palazzo along the Arno, is near important Florentine libraries and archives and the University of Florence. Graduate students also have at their disposal the resources of La Casa Italiana, a residential theme house which serves as an Italian cultural center and hosts such events as colloquia, lectures, and film series.

#### REQUIREMENTS

A candidate for the Ph.D. degree in Italian must complete at least 135 units of graduate-level study and teach five language courses in the section. 72 of the 135 units must be taken within the department.

Students entering with a master's degree or previous graduate work may receive credit as determined on a case-by-case basis, up to a maximum of 45 units. Fellowship funding, teaching, and other requirements are adjusted according to University regulations.

Required/Recommended Courses—Three courses are required:

- 1. ITALGEN 369, Introduction to Graduate Studies: Fragments of a Material History of Literature, a 5-unit seminar, offered in Autumn Quarter of each year, designed to acquaint students with the theoretical and methodological concerns of literary study. This course must be taken in the first quarter of study.
- 2. Definition and Inquiry: ITALGEN 201E, New Methods and Sources in French and Italian Studies, a 3-unit course designed to familiarize graduate students with research materials and techniques. This course must be taken no later than the end of the third year of study.
- 3. APPLLING 201, The Learning and Teaching of Second Languages, the second-language pedagogy course offered by the Stanford Language Center in the Spring Quarter of each year in order to prepare entering graduate students for teaching in their second year.

Apart from the above requirements, students are granted considerable freedom in structuring a course of study appropriate to individual needs. During the first year, most course work is usually done within the Italian section in order to ensure an adequate preparation for the qualifying examination. In the second and third years, the students' programs normally consist of a combination of course work done inside and outside the Italian section, supplemented by tutorials and independent work pursued under supervision of the Italian faculty.

Language Requirements — As soon as possible, but not later than the end of the third year, the candidate must have passed reading examinations in two additional foreign languages. If the candidate's period of concentration is earlier than the Romantic period, one of these must be Latin; if Romantic or later, French. Completion of the language requirement is a prerequisite for taking the University oral examination.

## **EXAMINATIONS**

There are three examinations: the 90-minute qualifying exam, the special topic exam, and the University oral examination.

Qualifying Examination—The first oral examination, which normally takes place at the end of Spring Quarter of the first year of study, tests the student's knowledge of the Italian language and of Italian literature. The student is responsible for scheduling the exam one month in advance. The date and time chosen must be determined in consultation with the examining committee (see below).

The exam is based on a standard reading list covering major works from all periods of Italian literature, from the Middle Ages to the late 20th-century. The list may be expanded to reflect a student's particular interests, but not abridged.

Half of the exam takes place in English, half in Italian (with the student free to choose which portion transpires in which language).

The exam consists of two parts:

- 1. A 20-minute presentation by the candidate on a topic to be determined by the student. This presentation may be given either in English or in Italian and should engage, in a succinct and synthetic manner, an issue or set of issues of broad relevance to Italian literary history which the student has been thinking about as he or she has been preparing the exam. The presentation must not simply be a text read aloud, but rather must be given from notes. It is meant to be suggestive and not exhaustive, so as to provoke further discussion.
- 2. A 70-minute question and answer period in which the examining committee follows up on the candidate's presentation and discusses the reading list with the student. At least part of this portion of the exam takes place in Italian. The student is expected to demonstrate a solid knowledge of the texts on the reading list and of the basic issues which they raise, as well as a broader sense of the cultural/literary context into which they fit. The examination committee for the qualifying examination is made up of the members of the Italian faculty, including the student's faculty adviser who chairs the examination.

Two weeks before the exam, the student must also submit a graduate seminar paper which the student considers representative of the quality of his or her graduate work at Stanford.

On the basis of this paper, the results of the qualifying examination, and an evaluation of the student's overall progress, the members of the student's examining committee vote for or against admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. The terminal master's degree may be awarded to students who have completed the qualifying procedure, but whose work is judged insufficient for admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. If the overall case for or against promotion to candidacy is deemed uncertain, students may be asked either to retake the qualifying exam, to submit a new paper, or they may be admitted to candidacy on a probationary basis. Subject to approval by the Director of Graduate Studies and department Chair, students already holding an advanced degree in Italian Studies, when admitted to the Italian Ph.D. program, may be excused from the qualifying exam. However, they must present a formal request for a waiver to the Director of Graduate Studies upon their arrival at Stanford. Such a request must document the course work completed elsewhere and include all relevant reading lists. Only in cases where taking the qualifying exam would involve considerable repetition of already completed work is such a waiver likely to be granted.

Special Topic Examination—The second oral examination, which normally takes place at the end of Spring Quarter of the second year of study, concerns a topic (a particular literary genre or a broad theoretical, historical, or interdisciplinary question) freely chosen and developed by the individual student working in collaboration with his or her adviser and the Director of Graduate Studies. Students should design this research project so that it has the breadth and focus of a book they might write or a seminar they might teach. The proposed topic should be discussed with the Director of Graduate Studies before the end of the quarter preceding the quarter in which they plan to take the exam. The student and the Director of Graduate Studies choose a committee of two faculty members with interests close to the proposed topic. (In most cases, one of these committee members is the student's adviser.) In addition to these two members, the examination committee includes the Director of Graduate Studies, who serves in an ex officio capacity as the third member of the examination committee.

At the beginning of the quarter in which he or she takes this examination, the student discusses plans for the section with committee members, who offer suggestions on the project and on the reading list. In general, the reading list should be between one and two single-spaced pages in length. In the course of the quarter, the student should regularly consult with committee members to discuss his or her progress. The actual examination lasts one hour. The candidate must present a tentative reading list to the members of the committee about twelve weeks before the examination and a final reading list at least one week before the examination. This list, to be

headed by a title describing the topic of the examination, may be divided into two parts: core works that the student has found to be central to his or her topic, and works that fill out the periphery of the topic. Two copies of the final reading list must be given to the student services officer for the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages: one for the student's file and one for a special file which subsequent students can consult. The examination assumes the form of an oral colloquy between the student and the examining committee. It concentrates on the conclusions to which the student's research has led him or her, and aims to determine the student's overall mastery of the research topic in question. At the beginning of the examination, the student presents a talk of no longer than 20 minutes (not to be written out, but to be presented from notes) reviewing the results of his or her reading and outlining the major features and implications of the chosen topic. The remainder of the hour is devoted to a discussion between the student and the committee regarding the problems the student raised in the talk and the reading list itself.

The following procedures are applicable to both the qualifying and special topic exams:

- 1. The committee meets briefly at the end of the exam and immediately informs the student whether he or she has passed the examination.
- In the week after the examination, the student is expected to meet individually with members of the committee to discuss strengths and weaknesses revealed during the qualifying exam or colloquy.
- The Director of Graduate Studies places a brief letter describing each one-hour oral exam in the student's file, a copy of which is also be furnished to the student.

The University Orals—The University Ph.D. examination follows most of the same procedures outlined above. Normally students put one, and at most two, full-time quarters of study into preparation for the exam. The University oral exam should virtually always be taken at the end of Spring Quarter of the third year of study. Students must complete minimum course requirements (as listed in this bulletin) and all language and course requirements before the quarter in which they take the University

Early in the quarter before they intend to take the University Ph.D. examination, students must discuss the scope and nature of the period to be covered, as well as the dissertation proposal, with the Director of Graduate Studies. The reading list should include works in all genres relevant to the period covered. The amount of "non-literary" or cross-disciplinary material on the reading list varies according to the period and the research interests of the student. Students ordinarily cover about a century of writing in great depth. As with the preceding examinations, the Director of Graduate Studies and the student determine the committee's makeup.

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#### **DISSERTATION**

The fourth and (if necessary) fifth years of graduate study are devoted to writing and researching the doctoral dissertation. The dissertation should demonstrate the ability to carry out research, organize, and present the results in publishable form. The scope of the dissertation should be such that it could be completed in 12 to 18 months of full-time work.

Colloquium on the Dissertation Proposal—The colloquium normally takes place in the quarter following the University oral examination; in most cases this means early in Autumn Quarter of the student's fourth year of study. The colloquium lasts one hour, begins with a brief introduction to the dissertation prospectus by the student (lasting no more than ten minutes), and consists of a discussion of the prospectus by the student and the three readers of the dissertation. At the end of the hour, the faculty readers vote on the outcome of the colloquium. If the outcome is favorable (by majority vote), the student is free to proceed with work on the dissertation. If the proposal is found to be unsatisfactory (by majority vote), the dissertation readers may ask the student to revise and resubmit the dissertation prospectus and to schedule a second colloquium.

The prospectus must be prepared in close consultation with the dissertation director during the months preceding the colloquium. It must be submitted in its final form to the readers no later than one week before the colloquium. A prospectus should not exceed ten double-spaced pages, in addition to which it should include a working bibliography of primary and secondary sources. It should offer a synthetic overview of the dissertation, describe its methodology and the project's relation to prior scholarship on the topic, and lay out a complete chapter-by-chapter plan.

It is the student's responsibility to schedule the colloquium no later than the first half of the quarter subsequent to the quarter in which the student passed the University oral examination. The student should arrange the date and time in consultation with the student services officer and with the three examiners. The student services officer schedules an appropriate room for the colloquium.

Members of the dissertation reading committee ordinarily are drawn from the University oral examination committee, but need not be the

## JOINT DEGREES AND MINORS

A joint degree program in Humanities and Italian Literature is described in the "Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities" section of this bulletin. Minors are possible in a wide variety of related fields. Joint degree programs and minors frequently require 24 additional units of work, making completion of all course requirements in nine quarters difficult if careful advance planning is not done.

Ph.D. Minor in Italian Literature — The section offers a minor in Italian Literature. The requirement for a Ph.D. minor is a minimum of 24 units of graduate course work in Italian literature. Students interested in a minor in Italian should consult the graduate adviser.

## COURSES

WIM indicates that the course satisfies the Writing in the Major requirements.

Students interested in literature and literary studies should also consult course listings in the departments of Asian Languages, Classics, Comparative Literature, English, German Studies, Slavic Languages and Literatures, and Spanish and Portuguese, in the Program in Modern Thought and Literature, and in the Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages.

## FRENCH SECTION

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# FRENCH LANGUAGE COURSES

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## FRENLANG 1,2,3. First-Year French

5 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Ashaolu, O; Howard, H; Shashko, T; Tsethlikai, K; Wampole, C; Staff)

## FRENLANG 22,23. Second-Year French

4-5 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Howard, H; Le Teuff, B; Shashko, T; Tsethlikai, K; Staff)

FRENLANG 120. Advanced French Oral Communication 3 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Staff)

FRENLANG 121. Introduction to French Texts 3-4 units, Aut (Palumbo-Liu, S)

FRENLANG 124. Advanced French Grammar 3-4 units, Aut, Win (Tsethlikai, K)

FRENLANG 125. French Phonetics 3-4 units, Spr (Palumbo-Liu, S)

FRENLANG 126. French Stylistics and Textual Analysis

3-4 units, Spr (Blanchard, M)

# INTRODUCTION TO THE HUMANITIES (IHUM)

The following Introduction to the Humanities courses are taught by French and Italian department faculty members. IHUM courses are typically available only to freshmen seeking to fulfill IHUM requirements; see the "Introduction to the Humanities" section of this bulletin for further information. Prospective majors in French or Italian are advised to consider satisfying their IHUM requirements by registering for the following IHUM courses.

IHUM 2,3. Epic Journeys, Modern Quests—Great religious, philosophical, and literary texts that have addressed timeless questions about human identity and the meaning of human life. Focus is on the epic tradition in the ancient and classical worlds and its transformations or abandonment in modernity. Compares conceptions of the afterlife. How traditions about the afterlife are created and appropriated. The diminished importance of the dead and increased emphasis on the power of the living in literary genres. GER:IHUM-2,3

**IHUM 2:** 5 units, Win (Harrison, R; Edelstein, D) **IHUM 3:** 5 units, Spr (Landy, J; Edelstein, D)

# **GENERAL (IN ENGLISH)**

These courses, with the subject code FRENGEN, do not require knowledge of French and are open to all students.

FRENGEN 48N. Machiavelli and Sons - Stanford Introductory Seminar. Preference to freshmen. The apparent paradox between Machiavelli's ambiguous masterpiece The Prince, and his Discourses on Livy which lie at the origin of the modern republican tradition in Europe. Resituating Machiavelli within his time; what makes a republic. The history of Machiavelli's reception and latter-day emulators including Harrington, Rousseau, and Madison.

5 units, Aut (Edelstein, D)

FRENGEN 181. Philosophy and Literature—(Same as ITALGEN 181, PHIL 81.) Required gateway course for Philosophical and Literary Thought track offered through Philosophy and DLCL. Introduction to major problems at the intersection of philosophy and literature. Issues may include authorship, selfhood, truth and fiction, the importance of literary form to philosophical works, and the ethical significance of literary works. Texts include philosophical analyses of literature, works of imaginative literature, and works of both philosophical and literary significance. Authors may include Plato, Montaigne, Nietzsche, Borges, Beckett, Barthes, Foucault, Nussbaum, Walton, Nehamas, Pavel, and Pippin. GER:DB-Hum

4 units, Win (Anderson, L; Landy, J)

FRENGEN 190Q. Parisian Cultures of the 19th and Early 20th Centuries - Stanford Introductory Seminar. Preference to sophomores. Political, social, and cultural events in Paris from the Napoleonic era and the Romantic revolution to the 30s. The arts and letters of bourgeois, popular, and avant garde cultures. Illustrated with slides. GER:DB-Hum

4 units, Spr (Bertrand, M)

FRENGEN 192E. Images of Women in French Cinema: 1930-1990— The myth of the feminine idol in French films in historical and cultural context. The mythology of stars as the imaginary vehicle that helped France to change from traditional society to modern nation after 1945. Filmmakers include Renoir, Truffaut, and Nelly Kaplan. The evolution of the role of women in France over 60 years. Lectures in English; films in French with English subtitles. GER:DB-Hum, EC-Gender

3-5 units, alternate years, not given this year

FRENGEN 201E. New Methods and Sources in French and Italian Studies—(Same as ITALGEN 201E.) Based on student interest. Changes in research methods: the use of digitized texts, resources, and databases available through Stanford Library's gateways. Emphasis is on strategies for exploration of broad and specialized topics through new and traditional methods. Using a flexible schedule based on enrollment and the level of students' knowledge, may be offered in forms including a shortened version on the basics, independent study, or a syllabus split over two quarters. Unit levels adjusted accordingly.

1-4 units, not given this year

FRENGEN 205. Chrétien de Troyes—(Same as COMPLIT 222.) Verse romances seen as the origin of the modern Western novel, including Yvain, Lancelot, and Perceval. Historical analysis, courtly culture, and the literary tradition that they produced. Source is a bilingual edition of Chrétien's complete works in medieval and modern French.

3-5 units, Aut (Gumbrecht, H)

FRENGEN 221. The History of the Book in Europe—(Same as ITAL-GEN 221.) From 1450 to present. The printed book from its invention to the 20th century; focus is on France, Italy, and England. Topics include: the manuscript tradition; printing and typography; the scholar-printers of the Renaissance; illustration; readers and reading; marginalia; newspapers, pamphlets, and ephemera; the emergence of the novel; Modernism; and Futurism. Course held in Stanford Libraries' Special Collections.

3-5 units, Win (Mustain, J; Sussman, S)

FRENGEN 231. Space and the Modern Sublime—(Same as COMPLIT 251.) The power of space in producing modern notions of the sublime in philosophy, literature, and art. The role of global exploration in producing terrifying European encounters with nature and unknown peoples that the sublime transforms into art. Sublime spaces such as sea, desert, mountains, and city; the Romantic interiorization of the sublime into the psyche; mimesis, memory, and technology. Sources may include explorer writings; Burke, Kant, Lyotard, Deleuze and Guattari, Freud, the Shelleys, Coleridge, Hugo, Baudelaire, Rimbaud, and Irigaray; and artists such as Gericault, Turner, Delacroix, and Friedrich.

3-5 units, Win (Cohen, M)

FRENGEN 253E. French Social Thought from Durkheim to **Bourdieu**—The originality, importance, and relevance of distinctive features of French social thought: reflexive French human sciences where the focus is on the social conditions in which such sciences are possible; epistemological and ontological issues as opposed to empirical realities and the notions of collective representations, social hypocrisy, the collective unconscious, and collective self-deception; and the indispensable role of religious mental structures for the understanding of social cohesion. Readings of Bourdieu, Durkheim, Mauss, Lacan, Lévi-Strauss.

3-5 units, not given this year

FRENGEN 256E. Political Anthropology from Rousseau to Freud — A confrontation between ways of accounting for society in an individualistic framework: the social contract; political economy; individualistic sociology; society as crowd; mass psychology; and sociopolitical institutions. Creating a typology of the ways in which a given anthropology constrains conceptions of the social and political order. Writers include Rousseau, Hume, Smith, Constant, Tocqueville, Marx, Durkheim, Weber, and Freud.

3-5 units, Spr (Dupuy, J)

FRENGEN 258E. Foundations of Nanoethics: Toward a Rapprochement between Europe and the U.S.—(Same as STS 211.) Nanoethics as a new discipline that accompanies the rise of nanotechnology research in the U.S. and Europe. Differing approaches to the ethics of science and technology in the case of a fledgling technology.

3-5 units, alternate years, not given this year

FRENGEN 259. Self-Reflexivity Historicized, or the Emergence of the Second-Order Observer — (Same as COMPLIT 259.) The origin of self-reflexivity as a habit and institution typical of intellectuals. Focus is on historical case studies from Western literatures and cultures since the Renaissance, based on a conceptual apparatus concerning the second-order observer, mainly derived from the work of Niklas Luhmann. Readings in original and translation include Descartes, Rousseau, Schlegel, Hegel, Gracián, and de Gova.

3-5 units, Win (Gumbrecht, H)

FRENGEN 263. Love Books of the Middle Ages—(Same as ITALGEN 263.) Love as a central theme in the Middle Ages of literature, natural philosophy, theology, and psychology. Literary works that probe the nature of love. Abelard and Heloise, History of His Calamities and Personal Letters; Andreas Capellanus, The Art of Courtly Love; Christine de Pizan, The Book of the Duke of True Lovers; Dante, Vita Nuova; Chaucer, Troilus and Criseyde; Boccaccio, The Decameron; and Shakespeare, Anthony and Cleopatra.

3-5 units, Win (Harrison, R)

FRENGEN 282. Heidegger and Poetry in an Age of Technology: Rilke, Trakl, and Char—(Same as COMPLIT 256, GERGEN 282.) Heidegger's thinking on language and poetry. The technological transformation of language into univocal information and the resources of poetry for an ambiguous resistance. Parallel consideration of philosophy's relation to poetry. Readings from Rilke, Trakl, and Char.

3-5 units, Spr (Mitchell, A)

FRENGEN 288. Decadence and Modernism from Mallarmé to Mari**netti**—(Same as ITALGEN 288.) How the notion of decadence, initially a term of derision, shapes and underlies the positive terms of Symbolism and Modernism. Readings include theories of decadence and examples of Symbolist and Modernist texts that attempt to exorcise decadent demons, such as lust, mysticism, and the retreat into artificiality. Authors include Huysmans, Poe, Mallarmé, Nietzsche, Nordau, d'Annunzio, Valry, Ungaretti, Marinetti, and Breton.

3-5 units, not given this year

FRENGEN 326. Continental Philosophy and the Human Sciences: The Self and the Oppressive Other—(Same as CASA 326.) Research seminar. Students work on papers for other classes, theses, and individual projects. Approaches to the self and the other; how to draw on and combine approaches for analyzing students' own research materials. Students choose an epistemology and integrate approaches according to intellectual goals and field of study.

5 units, Spr (Domanska, E)

FRENGEN 345. Digital Encyclopedia—(Same as HISTORY 435.) The Encylopédie of Diderot and d'Alembert as a monument of the Enlightenment that is rarely read or studied. Its social and political history. The online, digitized version of the Encylopédie, its complex network of entries and ideas, and new research possibilities in the humanities made available by digitization.

5 units, Spr (Baker, K; Edelstein, D)

FRENGEN 353. Realism in France, 1830-34—Practices of the novel in the first years of modern French realism; the realist novel as part of a historically located generic system. The usefulness of genre as a category of literary analysis, the semi-autonomy of literature as part of a social formation, how to make sense of forgotten literature including its challenge to norms of literary value, and materialist models for understanding literary production. Authors may include Stendhal, Balzac, Hugo, Sand, Paul de Kock, Eugène Sue, Edouard Corbière, Madame Charles Reybaud, and Théophile Gautier. Critical readings include Bourdieu, Jameson, Macherey, and Moretti.

3-5 units, not given this year

FRENGEN 357. Surrealism to Structuralism—(Same as COMPLIT 357.) Authors such as Saussure, Breton, Bataille, Artaud, Lacan, Jakobson, Sartre, Merleau-Ponty, Beauvoir, Fanon, Foucault, Althusser, Cixous, Irigaray, and Barthes. Background reading in Hegel, Marx, and Freud, if necessary.

3-5 units, Aut (Cohen, M)

FRENGEN 395. Philosophical Reading Group—(Same as COMPLIT 359A, ITALGEN 395.) Discussion of one contemporary or historical text from the Western philosophical tradition per quarter in a group of faculty and graduate students. For admission of new participants, a conversation with H. U. Gumbrecht is required. May be repeated for credit. .

1 unit, Aut, Win, Spr (Gumbrecht, H; Harrison, R)

#### LITERATURE, THOUGHT, AND CULTURE

Courses in this section have the subject code FRENLIT.

#### UNDERGRADUATE

FRENLIT 130. Authorship, Book Culture, and National Identity in Medieval and Renaissance France—Readings: epics (La Chanson de Roland), medieval romances (Tristan; Chrétien de Troyes' Yvain), post-Petrarchan poetics (Du Bellay, Ronsard, Labé), and prose humanists (Rabelais, Montaigne). Prerequisite: FRENLANG 126 or consent of instructor. WIM

4 units, not given this year

FRENLIT 131. Absolutism, Enlightenment, and Revolution in 17th- and 18th-Century France—The literature, culture, and politics of France from Louis XIV to Rousseau. How this period produced the political and philosophical foundations of modernity. Readings include Bodin, Hobbes, Racine, Lafayette, Locke, Voltarie, Diderot, Rousseau, and Beaumarchais. Prerequisite: FRENLANG 126 or consent of instructor. GER:DB-Hum, WIM

4 units, Win (Apostolidès, J)

FRENLIT 132. Introduction to 19th- and 20th-Century French Literature: Literary and Social Movements — Romanticism; the experimental novel within the context of changes in French society. The development of literary classification and the position of the engaged intellectual. Authors include Balzac, Hugo, Sand, Baudelaire, Colette, Sartre, Duras, and Queneau. Prerequisite: FRENLANG 126 or consent of instructor. GER:DB-Hum, WIM

4 units, Aut (Richman, K)

FRENLIT 133. Literature and Society: Introduction to Francophone Literature from Africa and the Caribbean — (Same as COMPLIT 141.) Major African and Caribbean writers. The issues raised in literary works which reflect changing aspects of the societies and cultures of Francophone Africa and the French Caribbean: meeting the challenge of acculturation and the search for identity; tradition competing with modernity; the use of oral tradition and writing; women's role and status; writers' social responsibility. Visual material; readings from fiction, poetry, plays, and criticism. In French. Prerequisite: FRENLANG 126 or consent of instructor. GER:DB-Hum, EC-GlobalCom, WIM

3-5 units, Spr (Boyi, E)

FRENLIT 135. Contemporary France: Immigration, Culture, and Politics—(Same as COMPLIT 143.) France as a place of migration or exile for people from all over the world: workers, writers, artists, political exiled, and students. Focus is on N. African immigration and its impact on literature, politics, and culture in contemporary France. Topics include: secularism and religion, insertion and integration, and nationality and citizenship. Films and readings include Azouz Begag, Yasmina Benguigui, Nina Bouraoui, Paul Smaïl, Dominique Schnapper, Michèle Winock, and Benjamin Stora. GER:EC-GlobalCom

4 units, Aut (Boyi, E)

FRENLIT 198. Honors — Open to juniors with consent of adviser; 10-12 units total credit for completion of honors essay and associated course work. May be repeated for credit.

3-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Staff)

FRENLIT 199. Individual Work—Restricted to French majors with consent of department. Normally limited to 4-unit credit toward the major. May be repeated for credit.

1-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Staff)

#### **ADVANCED UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE**

Note—The prerequisite for the following courses taught in French is one course from the 130 series or equivalent.

FRENLIT 221. Give Me Libertinage or Death: The Politics of Pleasure—How revolutionary was the pursuit of happiness, or libertinage, a current in early modern culture illustrated by the phrase from the Declaration of Independence? This concept and practice from the perspectives of political context and cultural history; the revolutionary quality of libertine texts from the late-17th century to the French Revolution. French revolutionary culture: was Baudelaire correct in stating that the revolution was made by the voluptuous?

3-5 units, not given this year

FRENLIT 222. The Political Unconscious of the Ancien Régime—The lasting influence in Europe of absolutism. Topics include political theories, the importance of court life, art as a political tool, modifications in human sensibility, literature, and social transformations.

3-5 units, Win (Apostolidès, J)

FRENLIT 253. Literature of Commitment: French Novels of the 19th and 20th Centuries—Sartre's idea of la littérature engagée as a starting point. The interplay of aesthetic and political aspects of the novel; the literary categories of realism, idealism, and the roman à thèse. Novels including by Sand, Tristan, Zola, Vallès, Nizan, Roumain, Sartre, and Wittig; and critical readings on the novel.

3-5 units, Spr (Richman, K)

FRENLIT 255. Céline: The Most Revolting Rebel—The novels of Louis-Ferdinand Céline. Céline as social critic, literary innovator, visionary, mystic, and pariah. Readings include Voyage au bout de la nuit, Mort à crédit, Guignol's band, and D'un château l'autre. In French.

3-5 units, Win (Picherit, H)

FRENLIT 256. Mind and Body in 20th-Century French Fiction — How fiction articulates the tensions among the sensuous, the sensual, the embodied, and the aspiration to purity, abstraction, and transcendence. Focus is on questioning dichotomies such as nature/culture, masculine/feminine, sacred/profane, and written word/voice. Authors include Gide, Camus, Butor, Duras, and Tournier.

3-5 units, not given this year

FRENLIT 278. Rethinking Identities in the Era of Globalization — (Same as COMPLIT 246.) Cultural issues faced by postcolonial societies and new visions proposed by writers and thinkers to meet the challenge of globalization and preserve the local. Emphasis is on questions of difference, language, nation and identities, and identity construction. Theoretical and fictional readings include Derrida, Glissant, Kristeva, Malouf, Morejon, Senghor, and Serres. May be repeated for credit.

3-5 units, alternate years, not given this year

FRENLIT 293A. Topics in French Literature and Philosophy—Fiveweek course. May be repeated for credit.

2 units, Aut (Serres, M)

FRENLIT 293B. Topics in French Literature and Philosophy—Fiveweek course. May be repeated for credit.

2 units, Spr (Serres, M)

FRENLIT 299. Individual Work — May be repeated for credit. 1-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr, Sum (Staff)

FRENLIT 341. Algeria, My Mother—(Same as COMPLIT 341.) The representation of Algeria through authors from both shores of the Mediterranean. Literature and Algerianism. Politics and the Algerian war. Memory and mourning. Readings include Louis Bertrand, Frantz Fanon, Pierre Bourdieu, Benjamin Stora, Assia Djebar, Jean Pélégri, Albert Camus, Jacques Derrida, and Nina Bouraoui.

3-5 units, Spr (Boyi, E)

#### GRADUATE

FRENLIT 399. Individual Work—For students in French working on special projects or engaged in predissertation research.

1-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr, Sum (Staff)

#### COGNATE COURSES

French majors are advised to consult the "Division or Literature, Culture, and Languages" section of this bulletin for additional cognate offerings. See respective department listings for course descriptions and General Education Requirements (GER) information. See degree requirements above or the program's student services office for applicability of these courses to a major or minor program.

#### DLCL 189. Honors Thesis Seminar

5 units, Aut (Reichert, J)

DLCL 377. Topics in Literature and Culture

3-4 units, Aut (Bohrer, K)

PHIL 195F. Shared Experience and the Experimental Actor

4 units, Spr (Scotland-Stewart, L)

# **ITALIAN SECTION**

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#### ITALLANG 1,2,3. First-Year Italian

5 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Cellinese, A; Feinsod, H; Green, D; Staff)

#### ITALLANG 21,22,23. Second Year Italian

3-4 units, 21: Aut, 22: Win (Cellinese, A), 23: Spr (Staff)

ITALLANG 114. Advanced Stylistics and Composition—WIM 3-4 units, Win (Baldocchi, M)

ITALLANG 115. Academic and Creative Writing—WIM 3-4 units, Spr (Baldocchi, M)

## **GENERAL (IN ENGLISH)**

These courses, with the subject code ITALGEN, do not require knowledge of Italian and are open to all students.

ITALGEN 181. Philosophy and Literature—(Same as FRENGEN 181, PHIL 81.) Required gateway course for Philosophical and Literary Thought track offered through Philosophy and DLCL. Introduction to major problems at the intersection of philosophy and literature. Issues may include authorship, selfhood, truth and fiction, the importance of literary form to philosophical works, and the ethical significance of literary works. Texts include philosophical analyses of literature, works of imaginative literature, and works of both philosophical and literary significance. Authors may include Plato, Montaigne, Nietzsche, Borges, Beckett, Barthes, Foucault, Nussbaum, Walton, Nehamas, Pavel, and Pippin. GER:DB-Hum

4 units, Win (Anderson, L; Landy, J)

ITALGEN 201E. New Methods and Sources in French and Italian

Studies—(Same as FRENGEN 201E.) Based on student interest. Changes in research methods: the use of digitized texts, resources, and databases available through Stanford Library's gateways. Emphasis is on strategies for exploration of broad and specialized topics through new and traditional methods. Using a flexible schedule based on enrollment and the level of students' knowledge, may be offered in forms including a shortened version on the basics, independent study, or a syllabus split over two quarters. Unit levels adjusted accordingly.

1-4 units, not given this year

ITALGEN 221. The History of the Book in Europe—(Same as FREN-GEN 221.) From 1450 to present. The printed book from its invention to the 20th century; focus is on France, Italy, and England. Topics include: the manuscript tradition; printing and typography; the scholar-printers of the Renaissance; illustration; readers and reading; marginalia; newspapers, pamphlets, and ephemera; the emergence of the novel; Modernism; and Futurism. Course held in Stanford Libraries' Special Collections.

3-5 units, Win (Mustain, J; Sussman, S)

**ITALGEN 247. Petrarch and Boccaccio**—Their respective roles as founders of European Petrarchism and modern Italian prose. Petrarch's Canzoniere and My Secret Life and Boccaccio's Decameron. Readings in Italian and translation.

3-5 units, not given this year

ITALGEN 260. The Fantastic Mode — Narratives of the haunted house in exemplary texts from the European tradition of the 19th century including Hoffmann, Gautier, Maupassant, Arrigo Boito, Dickens, and James). More recent implementations of the mode in the texts of Cortázar, Tabucchi, and Byatt. In English.

3-5 units, Spr (Ceserani, R)

ITALGEN 263. Love Books of the Middle Ages—(Same as FRENGEN 263.) Love as a central theme in the Middle Ages of literature, natural philosophy, theology, and psychology. Literary works that probe the nature of love. Abelard and Heloise, History of His Calamities and Personal Letters; Andreas Capellanus, The Art of Courtly Love; Christine de Pizan, The Book of the Duke of True Lovers; Dante, Vita Nuova; Chaucer, Troilus and Criseyde; Boccaccio, The Decameron; and Shakespeare, Anthony and Cleopatra.

3-5 units, Win (Harrison, R)

ITALGEN 288. Decadence and Modernism from Mallarmé to Mari**netti**—(Same as FRENGEN 288.) How the notion of decadence, initially a term of derision, shapes and underlies the positive terms of Symbolism and Modernism. Readings include theories of decadence and examples of Symbolist and Modernist texts that attempt to exorcise decadent demons, such as lust, mysticism, and the retreat into artificiality. Authors include Huysmans, Poe, Mallarmé, Nietzsche, Nordau, d'Annunzio, Valry, Ungaretti, Marinetti, and Breton.

3-5 units, not given this year

ITALGEN 395. Philosophical Reading Group—(Same as COMPLIT 359A, FRENGEN 395.) Discussion of one contemporary or historical text from the Western philosophical tradition per quarter in a group of faculty and graduate students. For admission of new participants, a conversation with H. U. Gumbrecht is required. May be repeated for credit.

1 unit, Aut, Win, Spr (Gumbrecht, H; Harrison, R)

## LITERATURE, THOUGHT, AND CULTURE

Courses in this section have the subject code ITALLIT.

#### **UNDERGRADUATE**

ITALLIT 127. Inventing Italian Literature: Dante, Boccaccio, **Petrarca**—The origins of Italian literature. Poetry such as 13th-century love lyrics, Dante's Vita Nuova, and Petrarca's Canzoniere; prose such as stories from Boccaccio's Decameron. GER:DB-Hum

4 units, Aut (Lummus, D)

## ITALLIT 128. The Italian Renaissance and the Path to Moder-

**nity**—The literature, art, and history of the Renaissance and beyond. Readings from the 15th through 18th centuries include Moderata Fonte, Machiavelli, Ariosto, Tasso, Galileo, and Goldoni. Prerequisite: 21 or equivalent. GER:DB-Hum

4 units, Win (Springer, C)

ITALLIT 129. Modern Italian History and Literature—The history of the Italian nation and national literary identity in the 19th and 20th centuries. Focus is on the Risorgimento and the romantic lyric, futurism, feminism, fascism, and resistance. Authors include Foscolo, Leopardi, Verga, D'Annunzio, Aleramo, Marinetti, Pirandello, Ungaretti, and Montale. Prerequisite: 21 or equivalent. GER:DB-Hum

4 units, Spr (Springer, C)

ITALLIT 198. Honors—Open to juniors and seniors with consent of adviser; 9-12 total units for completion of honors essay.

3-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Staff)

#### ITALLIT 199. Individual Work

1-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr (Staff)

#### ADVANCED LITERATURE

ITALLIT 249. Love and Death in the Decameron—The Black Death as the greatest natural disaster in European history, killing more than a quarter of Europe's population in four years. How the plague occasioned one of the masterpieces of western literature, Boccaccio's *Decameron*, which explores a parallel universe ruled not by death, but by love, a physical, sensual force that subverted the idealized conventions of medieval courtly love.

4 units, Spr (Springer, C)

ITALLIT 289. Italian Postmodernism — Was there an epochal change in the history of Italian society as in other countries in the course of the 20th century? How should scholars name and describe this new cultural landscape? Multidisciplinary perspective with readings in the history of culture, sociology, and literary and art history. Writers include Eco, Calvino, and Tabucchi. In Italian.

3-5 units, Spr (Ceserani, R)

## ITALLIT 299. Individual Work

1-12 units, Aut, Win, Spr, Sum (Staff)

## **GRADUATE**

ITALLIT 365. Italian Romanticism—The complexities and contradictions of Italian Romanticism as reflected in the major works of Foscolo (Sonetti, Sepolcri, Ultime lettere di Jacopo Ortis) and Leopardi (Canti, Operette morali). Prerequisite: advanced reading knowledge of Italian. 3-5 units, Aut (Springer, C)

ITALLIT 399. Individual Work - For graduate students working on a special project or predissertation research. May be repeated for credit. 1-15 units, Aut, Win, Spr, Sum (Staff)

#### **COGNATE COURSES**

Italian majors are advised to consult the "Division or Literature." Culture, and Languages" section of this bulletin for additional cognate offerings. See respective department listings for course descriptions and General Education Requirements (GER) information. See degree requirements above or the program's student services office for applicability of these courses to a major or minor program.

## **DLCL 189. Honors Thesis Seminar**

5 units, Aut (Reichert, J)

## DLCL 377. Topics in Literature and Culture

3-4 units, Aut (Bohrer, K)

## PHIL 195F. Shared Experience and the Experimental Actor

4 units, Spr (Scotland-Stewart, L)

## **OVERSEAS STUDIES**

Courses approved for the French or Italian major and taught overseas can be found in the "Overseas Studies" section of this bulletin, or in the Overseas Studies office, 126 Sweet Hall.

#### **PARIS**

FRENLIT 186F. Contemporary African Literature in French - (Sameas AFRICAAM 186F, OSPPARIS 186F.) GER:DB-Hum, EC-Global-Com

4 units, Win (Diop, P)

#### **FLORENCE**

ITALGEN 134F. Modernist Italian Cinema — (Same as ARTHIST 161Y, STS 125V, OSPFLOR 134F.) GER:DB-Hum

5 units, Aut (Campani, E)

ITALGEN 135F. Women in Italian Cinema: Maternity, Sexuality, and the Image—(Same as FEMST 135F, OSPFLOR 67.) GER:DB-Hum, EC-Gender

4 units, Spr (Campani, E)

ITALGEN 150F. High Renaissance and Maniera - (Same as ARTHIST112Y, OSPFLOR 54.) GER:DB-Hum

5 units, Spr (Verdon, T)

ITALGEN 191F. The Cinema Goes to War: Fascism and World War II as Represented in Italian and European Cinema — (Same as ARTHIST 160Y, COMM 53, HISTORY 235V,+ OSPFLOR 49.) GER:DB-Hum 5 units, Win (Campani, E)

ITALLIT 246F. Is the Hero Serious or Facetious? Romances of Chivalry in Sixteenth-Century Europe—(Same as OSPFLOR 15.) 5 units, Aut (Sberlati, F)