30% find full-time jobs
Adjunct professor, University of Rennes, France
Behavior analyst, Mattersight
Business analyst, Target
Chief research associate, St. Vincent’s Hospital
Editorial assistant, IvyWise
English language assistant, French Ministry of Education

57% go to graduate or professional school
Art history: University of London
Biochemistry: Université Paris Diderot
Clinical social work: Washington University

96% of recent Notre Dame French majors found full-time employment, enrolled in graduate school, or entered service programs within six months of graduation.

Claire Donovan ’15
French major
First: Fulbright research grant, Togo
Now: Research assistant, Harvard University’s Global Health Delivery Project

“I loved what I was learning in each of my French classes. Beyond studying the mechanics of the language, I was exposed to so much literature, film, and art that I doubt I would have found otherwise. I loved that my homework consisted of reading North African Francophone novels or analyzing 18th-century poems or writing papers on French language films.

“The most beneficial part of the French program, apart from the course content, was the small class sizes with dedicated faculty. I was able to have personal relationships that I still maintain with many of my professors, and I felt I could consult them on other academic and career issues.

“Studying French has changed my thinking by exposing me to many new cultures, new art, and new literature. It has allowed me to travel and live in both Europe and sub-Saharan Africa. And because of the widespread nature of French language and cultural support, I know I will have an instant community no matter where I move.”

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Curriculum requirements
Overview of French Literature and Culture I and II
The Art of Interpretation
3 20202-level or above electives
1 30000-level or above elective
2 40000-level literature and culture courses
Senior Seminar

Study French. Do anything.