FRENCH

This major involves the mastery of the language and its literary and cultural expressions in fiction, non-fiction, dramatic, cinematic, and poetic texts, as well as the study of social and political institutions within the context of intellectual history. Topics range broadly from the study of a single author to a literary genre; from current events to cinema; from gender studies to literary criticism.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

Language courses:

Proficiency up to French IV

Two core courses:

- French Grammar and Composition
- Critical Writing in French

Five upper-division elective courses, must include at least two 400-level courses. Examples include:

Media French

French Cinema

Race, Gender and Power in Francophone

Introduction to Research in French and Francophone Culture

Business and Technical French

Remembering Loss, Writing Memory

Global Narratives of Illness and Disability

Paris Avant-Gardes

French Women Writers

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Study Abroad: Improve your French language skills while experiencing real immersion in another culture. The department offers summer programs in Tours, France and Dakar, Senegal, as well as a summer research program in Paris. Additional semester or year-long programs are offered in Paris.

Pi Delta Phi: The highest academic honor in the field of French and the oldest academic honor society for a modern foreign language in the United States, Pi Delta Phi was chartered at USC in 1925. As a member, you will partake in a multitude of events, discussions, and networking opportunities.

Francophone Research and Resource Center: Sponsors workshops, lecture series, conferences, seminars, and other activities for all members of USC and southern California.

