

French

Module descriptors for Inbound Students.

Name	The Diversity of the French-speaking World
Code	FRU22092
Semester	2
ECTS credits	5
Pre-requisite	Minimum level: French B1; please meet with module co-ordinator before enrolling
Module Co-ordinator	Dr Rachel Hoare (RMHOARE@tcd.ie)

Module Content

- The Position of French in the World
- Is French a world language?
- French versus English on the world stage
- The Francophone movement
- French as a first language: Europe and North America
- Multilingualism and language policy
- Case studies: Language-related rivalries in Switzerland, Belgium and Canada
- Canada: reversal of language shift in Quebec
- Canada: French outside Quebec

Learning Outcomes

On completion of this module students will be able to:

- Evaluate the position of French in the world and its status as a world language
- Identify and describe the major stages in the development of the Francophone movement
- Analyse the ideology of the Francophone movement
- Describe the linguistic characteristics of countries in Europe and America where French is spoken as a first language
- Explain the sociolinguistic concepts associated with these environments
- Analyse quantitative and qualitative linguistic data
- Ask questions concerning course content with confidence and seek information from appropriate sources
- Work cooperatively in a small-group environment

Assessment

One group presentation (50%) and one group report (50%).