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Languages at Middlebury

The name of Middlebury College has long been synonymous with excellence in the teaching of foreign languages.

The baccalaureate curriculum offers particularly intense and varied programs in Chinese, French, German, Greek, Italian, Latin, Russian and Spanish. Not only are language enrollments high for a college of this size, but Middlebury has a higher percentage of language-proficient juniors studying off campus than any of the sister institutions to which it is usually compared. Many double and joint majors involve advanced language study, and the International Major enables students majoring in non-language and non-literature disciplines to demonstrate functional foreign-language competence in their discipline by taking advanced courses in the discipline at a Middlebury school abroad.

Middlebury's German School was founded in 1915, followed by the French and Spanish Schools in 1916 and 1917 respectively. The Italian School was added in 1932, Russian in 1945, Chinese in 1966 and Japanese in 1970. The School of Arabic opened in 1982. The schools in Europe opened in 1949 with the first session of the French School in France in cooperation with the University of Paris. This was followed in 1951 with a similar program in Madrid, after which schools in Mainz, Florence and Moscow were established in 1959, 1960 and 1977.

Middlebury College is thus in fact an international university with a student body of increasingly international outlook, and faculty and directors drawn from prestigious universities here and abroad. Our program of instruction is dedicated to the premise that without real competence in the language there can be no true cultural understanding, and that to be truly effective language teaching must provide meaningful insight and access into the foreign culture. Rather than a narrowly defined “language school” we see ourselves as a school for language, and believe that successful study of a language in its cultural context belongs in the mainstream of any curriculum, as one of the most enlightening and humanizing activities in which one can engage.

The Language Schools remain at the forefront of changes and innovations in language teaching as well. Our language laboratory represents state-of-the-art technology, and our new Master of Modern Languages (M.M.L.) degree is designed for teachers who are increasingly called upon to teach two foreign languages or a foreign language and English. In the next decade, we look forward especially to a deepening of student interest in global issues and programs to meet that interest; to development of rigorous, nation-wide standards of linguistic proficiency; and to new technologies — computer-assisted instruction, satellite TV reception, video — whose impact on language teaching was hardly dreamed of just a few years ago.

Programs of Study

All programs of study, from beginning courses through the doctoral level place great emphasis on the development of language skills and the understanding of other cultures. At the advanced levels, courses in art, business, culture, history, language pedagogy, linguistics, literature, music and theatre, taught entirely in the foreign language are an integral part of the program. Programs are offered to answer the needs of various types of students:

Those who wish to earn an advanced degree in a foreign language or in a combination of a foreign language and English;

Those who wish to enrich their program of studies at Middlebury or abroad and transfer the credits to their home institutions;

Those students, teachers and other professionals who wish to improve or refresh their foreign language skills or acquire proficiency in a new language necessary for their careers.
Middlebury College, located on a hill overlooking a typical Vermont village, is especially suited to the Language Schools and their approach to a unified learning experience. Students and faculty live on campus in one of the dormitories assigned to the school and take meals in dining halls where only the language of study is spoken. The summer climate is usually delightful, with warm days and cool nights. Classes are not normally scheduled for late afternoons, evenings or weekends, and the schools often use this time for social and cultural events. There are plays, films, lectures, musical presentations, amateur nights, theatricals and other enriching diversions from the academically rigorous program. Such activities center on the use of the foreign language and often involve active student participation in planning and performance.

Campus facilities include: Starr Library, which houses extensive foreign language collections, including the Nolfi Curriculum Collection; the Music Library with over 7500 recordings; music practice rooms and lockers; and the Freeman Language Laboratory, with individual and group facilities, and a large selection of audio and video materials to assist students in the development of their skills.

Middlebury College's athletic facilities include the field house, an indoor pool, 16 outdoor tennis courts, eight indoor tennis courts, racquet ball and squash courts, and an 18-hole golf course. There are jogging, running and bicycling paths around the campus and in the surrounding countryside. There is a fully-staffed health center on campus and the College provides students with limited accident insurance.

Pledge: More than sixty years of experience have proven the effectiveness of the Middlebury insistence on using the foreign language both in and out of the classroom. All students are thus required to sign a formal statement agreeing to use the foreign language as the only medium of communication during the entire session. A modified pledge is required even of students in the beginning courses.

Courses of Study and Degree Programs: All summer programs are intensive. At the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels, courses in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Spanish are offered. At the graduate level, courses leading to advanced degrees are offered in French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish. During the summer, some of the schools also offer special two-week programs: Seminars, In-Service In-
stitutes and Workshops of interest to graduate students, teachers and other professionals, either for graduate credit or for personal enrichment. Students in these two-week programs participate fully in the total cultural and linguistic immersion atmosphere of the school where no English is spoken.

During the academic year the Middlebury schools abroad in Florence, Madrid, Mainz and Paris offer junior year and graduate degree programs. The School in the Soviet Union offers a one-semester program for both graduates and undergraduates. The five and one half credits may be applied toward a Middlebury B.A. or M.A. or transferred to the student's home institution. The junior year program is open to B.A. degree candidates from any accredited institution of higher education. A preliminary summer of study on the Vermont campus may be required of some juniors. The graduate degree program is open to candidates for the M.A. or D.M.L. degree who must first successfully complete a summer on the Vermont campus.

**Credits:** The summer session includes nine-, seven-, six- and two-week programs. The nine-week courses in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese and Russian normally carry a total of twelve semester hours of credit. The seven-week courses in French, German, Italian and Spanish normally carry a total of nine semester hours of credit.

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Graduate credit is defined in terms of units, one unit being equal to three semester hours. The six-week graduate degree programs in French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish normally comprise three graduate courses for a total of three units (nine semester hours) of credit. Two-week seminars carry one unit (three semester hours) of credit.

A highly qualified student may accumulate a maximum of six graduate credits toward a Middlebury M.A. degree before receipt of the B.A. degree or equivalent. Official acceptance as a candidate for the M.A. degree requires the receipt of the B.A. degree or its equivalent.

For transfer purposes, the student's home institution determines how many credits, graduate or undergraduate, will be granted for the summer's work. All credits expire after ten years. The Middlebury College Language Schools do not calculate grade point average or class rank.

**Curriculum:** The intensive language curriculum (Courses 100-400) is equivalent to at least one full year of study. Students may enroll in courses in one language only and are normally enrolled in courses at one level only. In some schools certain levels are divided into modules and students may have some choice among the modules offered. Placement is determined by test results rather than by length of previous study of the language.

The intensive graduate curriculum (Courses 500-900) is made up of a large number of individual courses in language analysis, literature, the social sciences, art and music history, and foreign language pedagogy. A normal load is three courses per summer to be selected in consultation with the director or dean of the school. First-year graduate students are placed in the courses most appropriate to their linguistic proficiency as determined by the results of placement tests taken prior to registration. Some students may be required to take one or more courses at a lower level before beginning a full load of graduate work.

**Master of Arts:** The M.A. degree in French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish is comprised of twelve courses. It is designed as a broadly-based program of study in itself, rather than as the first stage of a doctoral program. Specific degree and distribution requirements in each language are explained under individual school listings.

**Master of Modern Languages:** The M.M.L. degree certifies a high degree of proficiency and skill in two foreign languages (French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish) or in a foreign language and English (at Middlebury's Bread Loaf School of English). It requires an additional twelve courses beyond the M.A. degree, and comprehensive written and oral examinations. The M.M.L. is administered and supervised by the Director of the Language Schools in close consultation with the directors of the individual schools involved in a student's program. Inquiries should be addressed to the Director of the Language Schools at Sunderland Language Center, Middlebury College.
Doctor of Modern Languages: The D.M.L. degree in French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish differs from the traditional Ph.D. in that its emphasis is on a combination of scholarly and practical training. The degree requires the following: (1) eight upper-level graduate courses in the student's principal foreign language; (2) two graduate courses in the student's second language; (3) a qualifying paper; and (4) a dissertation. Additional requirements are: (1) comprehensive oral and written examinations in both languages; (2) one year's residency abroad; and (3) proof of successful teaching experience.

All new students are required to complete a summer of application on the Vermont campus during which they are expected to enroll for credit in two advanced graduate courses and to enroll as an auditor in a third course as the context for the qualifying paper. The instructor of the third (audited) course becomes the director of this paper which must be begun and completed within the six weeks of the graduate session. The principal language of the D.M.L. is expected to be the same as that of the student's M.A. degree.

Application and Admission: Students at the summer session must be high school graduates, and we strongly recommend that they have completed at least one year of college-level study.

Students are welcome to apply for a single summer at any level, for the junior year abroad program or for admission to one of the graduate degree programs to be completed either over several summers or in a combination of summer study and study abroad.

Admission is granted on the basis of academic qualifications and the availability of space. Applications are processed until the start of the session in June provided that space and funds are available, but as many of the schools are fully subscribed by mid-April, early application is desirable. Note: Deadline for application to the Chinese and Japanese Schools is March 15.

Those who are not full-time students may occasionally be permitted to audit upper-level courses. The permission of the director of the school is required. Lower-level courses are normally closed to auditors and auditors are not admitted to the Chinese or the Japanese Schools nor are students of those schools permitted to audit courses in another school.

Final placement in courses is determined by student performance on an examination administered before the start of classes. By applying for admission, a student indicates willingness to accept the placement deemed proper by the school. Application to the Language Schools is entirely separate from application as an undergraduate to Middlebury College. For an application to Middlebury College contact: Admissions, Emma Willard House, Middlebury College.

Financial Aid: Financial aid, generally a combination of scholarship, work aid and loans, is available. Forms and detailed instructions will be sent to all students in the application packet. The application deadline for first awards is March 15. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid, Emma Willard House, Middlebury College, (802) 388-3711, ext. 5158. Please note: Financial aid at the schools abroad is not available to undergraduates from colleges other than Middlebury.

For further information and an application to one of the Language Schools, please write directly to the school of your choice at:

Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711
(See individual school sections for telephone extensions)

FURTHER INFORMATION ON PROGRAMS IN ALL SCHOOLS (SUMMER AND ACADEMIC YEAR ABROAD) IS INCLUDED IN INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL SECTIONS OF THIS CATALOGUE. EACH SCHOOL ALSO ISSUES A BULLETIN WITH MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT ITS UPCOMING OFFERINGS.
The School of Arabic

The inaugural session of the Middlebury College School of Arabic was held in the summer of 1982, the culmination of years of planning on the part of many people. Arabic, the native languages of some 130 million Arabs, the religious language of many more millions of Muslims, and the vehicle of a great civilization with a cultural heritage of 1500 years, has contributed greatly to the formation of present-day Spain and to the whole of European culture. An investigation of Arabic language, history, literature, art, music and culture is of the greatest importance today when the Arab world has again become prominent in the history of the West.

The school began with two levels of instruction, elementary and intermediate, and in its second year, an advanced course was added. In 1984, we plan to accommodate two levels within the second-year course. Graduate and undergraduate students from a variety of institutions of higher education as well as many professionals have attended. Faculty are drawn from major universities in the U.S. and the Arab world, from Morocco to Iraq. The Arabic taught in the classroom is the so-called Modern Standard Arabic or contemporary فُقُوح, the official language in use all over the Arab world; in addition, we experiment successfully with the use of Standard Arabic as the everyday spoken language. One summer of intensive study at Middlebury equals or exceeds what is normally a full year’s work at any of the major programs in this country.

Students have the advantage of living in an Arabic environment during the nine-week program. This allows for greater in-depth grasp of the material, the assimilation of hundreds of vocabulary words and expressions for everyday usage over and above those given in textbooks, and a proficiency in oral Standard Arabic that is rarely contemplated elsewhere. In addition to the formal language in the classroom, a series of lectures, films, and documentaries are organized to introduce students to the various aspects of the cultural, artistic, and religious life of the Arab world today and to the rich Arab heritage. Topics of lectures have included calligraphy, art and painting, music and musical instruments, and the role of Muslim women in contemporary society.
The beginning level course aims at teaching students with no prior knowledge of Arabic its writing system and sounds, its basic grammatical structure and word formation, and a vocabulary of about 800 words. There are five hours of classroom instruction per day in addition to work in the language lab and written assignments. The medium of instruction is Arabic except for necessary grammatical explanations. As summer progresses, students are encouraged to speak more and more Arabic outside of class.

The intermediate or second-year course begins with a thorough review of basic grammar and vocabulary. This serves to consolidate knowledge and bring students to a common level. The main thrust is the acquisition and expansion of vocabulary, mainly through oral discussions and extensive readings. All classroom activities are conducted in Arabic and students are expected to use Arabic exclusively outside of class as well. Attention is also given to writing skills. There are five hours of classroom instruction per day as well as work in the language laboratory and written assignments.

Students accepted at the advanced or third-year level are expected to have mastery of basic grammar and word mechanics and a minimum of 1500 words of Modern Standard Arabic, i.e., contemporary al-Fushā. The course is designed to help students achieve a fairly advanced proficiency in the skills of reading comprehension, listening comprehension, writing and speaking. It is conducted entirely in Arabic.

Reading for the course covers topics dealt with in contemporary expository writing of various styles and genres, including literature and social sciences, newspapers, essays and stories. Students receive help in understanding radio and audio-visual programs by means of extensive oral practice and discussion. In addition, the course improves skills in writing Arabic prose and in carrying on daily conversation on a variety of topics. Classes meet three to four hours per day and students also spend five more hours a day on assignments outside of classroom.

The School of Arabic has its own language laboratory located in the dormitories assigned to the school and numerous Arabic language tapes are available for student use.

For further information and an application, please contact:

The School of Arabic
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5512
The Chinese School

Through the years, the Chinese School has become an integral part of the Middlebury College Language Schools and has helped to train approximately 1500 undergraduate and graduate students as well as teachers and professionals from various institutions across the United States and abroad. Like the other language schools, the Chinese School creates an environment where students are immersed in a culture whose language they are studying. Beyond language classes, students also eat in dining halls and live in dormitories where Chinese is the only medium of communication.

Students are encouraged to participate in a variety of cultural and recreational activities with fellow students and faculty. Plays, films, lectures, musical presentations, amateur nights and theatricals are designed to enhance the academic program. Such activities center around the use of Chinese and often involve active student participation in planning and performance.

The Chinese School offers courses at five levels: beginning, intermediate, advanced, classical Chinese, and readings in Chinese culture.

First-year Chinese begins with a five-day concentrated study of Mandarin phonetics and the Gwoyeu Romatzyh tonal-spelling system of romanization. For the next six and a half weeks, students concentrate on the first ten lessons of the Mandarin Primer, studying both the romanization and character texts, liberally supplemented with sentence pattern drills and exer-
A complete series of audio tapes, including vocabulary and pattern drills, prepared at Middlebury and Harvard, accompanies each lesson. In addition to the audio tapes, videotapes of these first ten lessons, prepared at Middlebury with the faculty as actors, are used. The video image is extremely effective in helping the student to internalize the new language patterns. For the last week and a half, Elementary Chinese (Peking, 1972) is used to introduce simplified characters and the Pinyin system of romanization. Other romanization systems are also briefly presented.

For two hours each day, the class meets together for the introduction and explanation of new material and for introductory pattern practice; then it divides into small sections (5-8 students) for two hours of drill. Each student receives two fifteen-minute periods of private tutorial per week. Preparation, including work in the language laboratory, usually requires about five hours of study each day. The medium of instruction gradually shifts from English to Chinese and students are encouraged to speak progressively less English outside the classroom.

By the end of the session, students have a good command of basic grammatical construction, a working vocabulary of over 800 words, and active usage of about 600 characters.

While continuing the audio-lingual approach used in first-year Chinese, the intermediate or second-year course also emphasizes the reading of Chinese character texts, containing both standard and simplified character forms. The first half of the course concentrates on consolidating the foundations begun in elementary courses and on developing sentence structure and vocabulary. Three texts are studied: Modern Chinese Readers (I, II), Chinese Reader (I, II) and Tarn Butyng. No textbook is used for the second half of the course; instead there is a shift to reading "real" Chinese literature in the form of modern essays, short stories, and newspaper articles. Students view a Chinese movie on videotape and study the screenplay using a study manual. Classes are conducted primarily in Chinese and are open to students who have completed one full year of language study. By the end of the summer, students should be able to speak with some fluency on conventional topics, to write short compositions, and to read newspapers and short essays by modern authors with the aid of a dictionary.

At the advanced or third-year level, students read extensively from modern texts selected from a wide range of styles and genres. Readings include: essays on academic subjects; modern vernacular literature: essays, short stories, and plays as well as the screenplay of a Chinese movie which is viewed on videotape; contemporary material: political writings from the People's Republic of China; and from newspapers. Classes are conducted entirely in Chinese.

At the fourth-year level, students with a minimum of two years of modern Chinese are introduced to Classical Chinese. While the focus is on training students to read the classical language, the method of instruction serves simultaneously to enhance proficiency in the vernacular. All lessons are accompanied by laboratory tapes, which function as aids in assimilating the texts. Assignments include translation from classical into modern Chinese and vice versa; exercises in grammar (use of particles and analysis of sentence structure); and essays intended to enhance written expression (both classical and modern).

Readings in Chinese Culture, offered to students at the fifth-year level, is divided into two- to three-week units, each focusing on a broad topic or a particular period of history. Periods and topics in history, literature, and the social sciences are selected to meet students' interests and needs. Designed for advanced graduate and undergraduate students with at least three or more years of Chinese and preferably with an elementary knowledge of classical Chinese, the course is conducted exclusively in Chinese. Being essentially a language course, emphasis is placed on bringing students' writing, speaking, and reading skills to a high level. Particular emphasis on the development of writing ability is achieved through completion of weekly essays which are corrected and explicated in individual diagnostic sessions.

Applicants to the Chinese School must return the completed applications and all supporting materials by March 15. For further information and an application, please contact:

The Chinese School
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5520
The French School

The French School prides itself on offering both a full academic program and an intensive extracurricular one. The theatre productions, for example, provide an opportunity to enjoy and even act in theatre pieces. The French film series offers a variety of cinematic fare, while lectures provide further opportunities to become acquainted with French culture.

Each summer since 1974, the French School has offered special two-week graduate seminars designed to allow people who are not free to attend the longer six-week graduate session to update their knowledge of contemporary France. One of these seminars, co-sponsored by the French cultural services, is devoted to the latest political, social and cultural developments in France. The faculty in the past several years has included historians like Paul Veyne (Collège de France) and Michel Winock (Institut d'Études Politiques), political scientists like Jean-Luc Parodi and Gérard Grunberg (Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques), ranking civil servants like Jean Massot (Conseil d'État) and François de Combret (Cour des Comptes) or a representative at the French National Assembly like Jean-Pierre Sueur (Député du Loiret). The other seminar has a general theme: "The Teaching of French Civilization," and aims at informing the participants of recent changes in France and discussing with them the techniques of integrating this type of cultural information in language classes at various levels. Seminar enrollment is limited, and participants are invited to share fully in the life and activities of the school.

Students enrolled in the French School are placed in courses according to their performance on the placement test given at the beginning of the summer session. There are five levels of courses: beginning, early intermediate, intermediate, advanced I and advanced II. Only students with no background in French will enter at the beginning level, a course designed to introduce students to the phonetic, syntactic and semantic system of French. After completing the 200 level or early intermediate course, students can read a contemporary text of moderate difficulty, express their opinions about it in phonetically accurate French and write short critical papers. At the intermediate and advanced levels, students continue their study and perfect their skills. At the advanced II (400) level, students who have performed particularly well on the placement test may elect Introduction to Contemporary France or Introduction to Textual Analysis.

The graduate degree program offers two types of courses: Foundation Courses, designed to provide students with the linguistic, cultural and literary skills needed for further study and which are the cornerstone of the program; and Specialized Courses, designed to help students acquire a broader and more sophisticated knowledge. Language courses are emphasized, but students are also offered introductory courses to more specialized areas, e.g., Introduction à la linguistique which leads to the study of prosody, Introduction à la France moderne which prepares students for studies of political life, art history, film, modern or classical history, and Introduction à l'analyse textuelle which provides the necessary background for a series of courses dealing with themes, periods, genres, critical techniques or individual writers. Two six-week seminars are also available each summer for doctoral studies: one in literary semiotics and the other in the teaching of language or civilization. Variety of courses is a major strength of the graduate program and courses in social sciences (history, art history, sociology, political science) complement the more traditional studies of linguistics and literature.

All new graduate students take placement tests in written French (grammar/composition) and in phonetics. The results of the tests determine which courses students elect for credit. In order for students to be exempt in any of these areas, they must have attained the level of Prononciation du français contemporain and Composition avancée.

M.A. degree candidates must take a total of twelve courses, including at least one course in linguistics, two in civilization, and three in literature. Courses in professional preparation are strongly recommended for anyone already teaching or planning to teach. The following is a representative sample of courses offered in recent years:

- Le nouveau roman et sa postérité: la crise du roman contemporain
- Le Français des affaires
- Le roman de la condition humaine (Bernanos, Malraux, Camus)
Le texte poétique (Baudelaire, Verlaine, Apollinaire, Ponge)
Écritures féminines contemporaines
La littérature du Québec
Introduction à la linguistique: semiologie et sémiotique littéraire
Le cinéma français depuis 1945
Le Roman de Diderot à Stendhal
La France de l'entre-guerre: illusions ou désillusions
Impressionisme et symbolisme dans la peinture française
Les relations franco-américaines: deux siècles de malentendus
Abbayes romanes, cathédrales gothiques
L'enseignement de la littérature
Les tendances actuelles dans l'enseignement du français comme langue étrangère

For further information and an application, please contact:

The French School
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The German School

The German School, which was founded in 1915 under the leadership of Dr. Lilian Stroebe, is the oldest of the Middlebury College Language Schools. Like the other Language Schools, the German School stresses the language pledge as the common link and principle of coherence binding the various programs and experiments together. We firmly believe that in addition to a solid and innovative curriculum, hard-working students and dedicated, top-level instructors, the constant, exclusive use of the German language is the necessary basis for serious German studies. It is not only a proven method for thoroughly learning the German language, it is moreover the key to understanding the literatures and civilizations of German-speaking countries and people. It is our opinion that German studies conducted in any other but the target language do not reach the heart of the German culture, its languages and dialects. The strict upholding of the language pledge therefore constitutes the living tradition and basic rule of the German School.

The heart of the German School is the graduate school, its progressively enriched curriculum and the extracurricular activities connected with it. In its six-week session, students are taught by some of Europe's and America's prominent writers, critics, Germanists and specialists in other fields, such as philosophy, social studies, politics, art history and music. In recent years, our faculty included such names as Martin Walser, Hellmuth Karasek, Bruno Hillebrand, Peter Schneider, Karl Anton Sprengard. Germanists included: Wilhelm Emrich, Josef Kunz, Alfred Doppler, Manfred Brauneck, Heinz Hillmann, Theo Buck, Manfred Dick, Hans Henrik Krummacher, Erwin Rotermund, Bernhard Gajek, et al. Linguistics was represented by Werner Abraham, Paul Valentin, Heinz Vater, Jean Marie Zemb. They were joined by our American colleagues Richard Exner (UCal, Santa Barbara), Erna Neuse (Rutgers), Klaus Weissenberger (Rice) and many others. The presence of these colleagues on the Vermont campus was made possible by grants from the Federal Republic of Germany and the Max Kade Foundation, as well as our institutional ties with Johannes Gutenberg Universität in Mainz, Germany.

A typical graduate program of study leading to the degree of M.A., M.M.L., or D.M.L. will include the following: courses in advanced language practice (oral and written German, business and commercial German), and in linguistics (synchronic and diachronic linguistics, rhetoric, phonology, stylistics); courses in literature from the Middle Ages to the present day based on our Introduction to Literary Scholarship and then diversified into specialized seminars and courses on specific periods, authors or genres, as well as more general survey courses; courses in culture and civilization, including art history, music, cinema and cabaret, and the modern social sciences, as they focus on all the German-speaking countries; and courses in methodology (methods of teaching language, literature and civilization). Some courses available in recent years are:

- Business and Commercial German
- Introduction to Text Linguistics
- Landeskunde (Federal Republic of Germany, the German Democratic Republic)
- German History of the 20th Century
- Introduction to the Economies of German-speaking Countries
- Workshop: The Art of Cabaret
- Narrative of the German Democratic Republic
- Contemporary German Film
- Introduction to Literary Scholarship
- Methods of Teaching (German as a Foreign Language, Literature, Landeskunde)

Each summer focuses on a specific area, period or group of authors, e.g., Austria; the German Democratic Republic; the Kafka centennial; and the 500th anniversary of the German Reformation. Completing this curriculum outline, the German School offers an extensive extracurricular program of lectures and readings, concerts and choir events, plays and films, etc. Highlights of this program are the regular cabaret workshops and performances with Herbert and Eva Nelson, and faculty play-readings.
In recent years the program of the German School has diversified to include a seven-week Intensive Language Program for students of levels I-III, the first three years. One of the original aspects of this program is the combination of basic language courses, taught to small groups of students through audio-visual and computer-assisted instruction, and short-time, specialized modules in language, literature, civilization and phonology. Some modules available in recent years are:

- German in a Literary Context (Authors and Genres)
- Crimes and Trials
- Introduction to Business German
- Perspectives on Modern Germany
- Phonetic Exercises and Orthography
- Selections from the German Novella

The most recent addition to the German School program is the two-week graduate seminar for teachers and other professionals, e.g., special seminar on the Methodology of Civilization, taught by American and European experts. Organized with the assistance of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Robert Bosch-Stiftung and the Goethe Institute, these seminars take place during the regular summer session under the same total immersion conditions. A combination of information, discussion and adaptation to the participant's professional background is sought and stressed. Since numerous former participants of the undergraduate and graduate programs may return to these seminars, they become an active link between different student and faculty generations, thus retaining the traditions of the German School even as we incorporate new fields of interest.

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The German School
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The Italian School

For over fifty years the Italian School has played a unique role in promoting the study of Italian language and culture in its various expressions. Equal emphasis continues to be placed both on traditional heritage and on contemporary trends. At the Italian School language is studied intensively and methodically and is also experienced directly in a variety of other meaningful contexts. Daily exchange of ideas among students, and between students and professors, is thus the heart of the linguistic and cultural immersion experience.

In addition to their common involvement in the academic program, students and faculty join together frequently to participate in formal and informal extra-curricular activities. Soccer, tennis, volleyball, picnics, and other social events provide variety and diversion. Each summer a student production of an Italian play is given in Wright Theatre, and musical recitals are organized for the enjoyment of all. The Italian School is especially proud of its excellent cinema series during which important Italian films and documentaries are shown each week. Life in the school is also enriched by special weekly lectures presented by distinguished faculty members. Because Italian is used exclusively in classes and activities, and students are expected to comply with the language pledge, there are valuable opportunities for both language practice and development of cultural awareness, essential for a thorough understanding and appreciation of Italian civilization.

Language courses in Italian have been developed over the years at Middlebury by experts in the field and are taught both by faculty from Italy and American-trained specialists familiar with the needs of the American student.

The elementary course is designed to introduce the student to the Italian language and to provide a foundation in both spoken and written Italian. The approach to the language permits comprehensive coverage of the basic structures and vocabulary of contemporary Italian. The exclusive use of Italian in dialogue and vocabulary building encourages the student to develop skills in a personal context. Short reading selections are introduced from contemporary works and discussion based on these enlarge the student's view of Italian life and culture. The language laboratory is a key tool in helping the student master course materials.

In the intermediate course, the structure and vocabulary of contemporary Italian is reviewed. Conversation, compositions, and oral reports are designed to increase fluency and naturalness as well as prepare the groundwork for a more sophisticated use of the language in spoken and written context. Integral to the course is instruction in phonetics as well as work in the language laboratory.

The advanced language program is composed of two courses. The grammar component, Advanced Italian: Techniques of Self-Expression, Oral and Written, is organized by specific skills: grammar and vocabulary, written and spoken Italian. The course gives extensive practice in the use of the language through compositions and exercises (with special attention given to the more involved points of grammar) as well as through oral work and careful analysis of phonetics. The aim of the advanced grammar course is to expand the student's knowledge of Italian vocabulary and grammar, to introduce the stylistics of the written language, and to perfect the student's ability in personal expression. Emphasis is put on precision, variety and vocabulary acquisition.

The second component of the advanced language program is Modern Italian Writers: An Introduction to the Study of Italian Literature. The aim of this course is to read, analyze and discuss from a grammatical, syntactical and stylistic perspective, texts of Italian prose, verse and drama. In this context, literature will be used primarily as a vehicle to the reinforcement and enrichment of linguistic performance.

Successful completion of the advanced language program (or the results of the placement exam) allows the student to enroll in graduate courses, which are taught by leading Italianists from major institutions in Italy and the United States.

Students in the six-week graduate program are normally enrolled in three courses: a course in language, a course in literature, and a course in civilization. A typical graduate of the Italian School thus has had a broad exposure to Italian culture rooted in a solid mastery of the language.
and ranging from literature to art history, linguistics, history, and philosophy.

Italian institutions regularly represented are the Universities of Florence, Rome and Milan. Among American institutions from which faculty is drawn are the University of California at Berkeley, Johns Hopkins University, Columbia University, Ohio State University, Indiana University, Brown University, Middlebury College, Smith College and Mount Holyoke College. Some courses available in recent years are:

- From Latin to Italian
- History of Venice: 13th through 18th Centuries
- Intellectuals and Ideologies of the Risorgimento
- Petrarch
- Religious Literature of the Duecento and Trecento
- The Teaching of Italian
- Futurism
- Italian Phonetics
- Theories of Language in Italy: From Dante to the 20th Century
- Italian Art From Giotto to Michelangelo
- Dialectology
- Italians in America
- The Essence of Italian Philosophy
- Fascism: Roots and Expressions
- Italian Renaissance Theatre and Stage Workshop
- Origins and Early Life of the Italian Theatre
- The 19th Century Novel
- Baroque Poetics and Poetry
- History of the Italian Language
- Boccaccio
- The Divine Comedy

Two-week graduate seminars offer teachers and other professionals the opportunity to update or refresh their skills during the regular session of the graduate program when the no-English rule is in effect. The most recent seminar dealt with Italian Civilization During the 80's.

AMISA, the Association of Middlebury Italian School Alumni, holds annual winter meetings and summer reunions on the Middlebury campus. The nominal dues are used almost exclusively for scholarships.

For further information and an application, please contact:

The Italian School
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5543
The Japanese School

Since its inception, the Japanese School has helped to train over 600 undergraduate and graduate students as well as teachers and professionals from various institutions across the United States and abroad. Like the other language schools, the Japanese School creates an environment where students can be immersed in a culture whose language they are studying. Beyond simply language classes, students also eat in dining halls and live in dormitories with instructors where Japanese is the only medium of communication.

Students are encouraged to participate in a variety of cultural and recreational activities with fellow students and faculty. There are plays, films, lectures, musical presentations, amateur nights, theatricals and other pleasant diversions from the academically rigorous program. Such activities center around the use of Japanese and often involve active student participation in planning and performance. The Japanese School also makes wide use of taped radio and television programs from Japan.

The Japanese School offers courses at four levels: elementary, intermediate, advanced Japanese, and advanced speaking and reading.

At the first-year or elementary level, students are introduced to the basic structure and vocabulary of modern Japanese. The text used at the elementary level stresses use of kana from the very outset, so the subsequent adjustment to reading ordinary Japanese literature is minimal. Hiragana (the phonetic syllabary) is introduced in a brief session during the registration period so that students are able to use the script from the first day of class. Katakana (the syllabary used for loan-words) and approximately 300 characters are gradually incorporated into reading materials throughout the course. Initial instruction is in English, but the medium shifts to Japanese as the course advances. Maximum use of Japanese is expected. At the end of the session, students have mastered the basic grammatical structure of modern colloquial Japanese, with an active vocabulary of approximately 1500 words. They are able to conduct basic daily conversation with reasonable ease and have developed some familiarity with the socio-cultural context in which the modern Japanese language is used.

Students with some background in Japanese, but whose previous training does not represent the equivalent of one full year of formal language study are placed in an inter-level course, the first half of which is devoted to an extensive review of grammatical structures and problems. At the same time, students learn practical, situational conversation with the aid of language tapes. In the second half of the session, students are introduced to intermediate-level texts, while continuing to improve their command of written materials and conversation. Throughout the session, classes are conducted almost entirely in Japanese. By the end of the summer, students have a good knowledge of modern Japanese grammar, improved fluency in daily conversation, skill in the use of basic materials, an ability to read and write approximately 500 kanji, and an ability to write short essays.

At the intermediate or second-year level, students are helped to master modern Japanese (Tokyo dialect) through review and reinforcement of the major grammatical items which appear in introductory texts. Although progressively more emphasis is placed on reading and writing, aural-oral practice continues to constitute an integral part of the course, and almost all classwork is conducted in Japanese. The use of special audio and visual tapes, in addition to regular tapes for textbook assignments, enable students to learn how Japanese is used in various social and cultural settings; in this way, they themselves become better equipped to use terms and phrases appropriate to the context. By the end of the summer program, students have a good knowledge of modern Japanese grammar, improved fluency in daily conversation, skill in the use of basic reference materials, an ability to read approximately 800 kanji and to write about 600 kanji, and an ability to write short essays. Students are also encouraged to do as much collateral reading as possible in English, in order to enhance their understanding of the interaction between Japanese culture and language.

Students taking advanced or third-year level Japanese are expected to have had at least two years of formal language training. A variety of materials are read, including essays and movie scripts, and students are gradually exposed to most of the 1,850 tooyoo kanji. Emphasis is on
reading, yet the other language skill areas also receive attention: writing is improved through various exercises and composition, while speaking ability is enhanced by oral drills and conversation. Course materials are designed to foster an appreciation of the socio-cultural background of contemporary Japan. Japanese made-for-TV movies are used for additional aural-oral practice. By the end of the session, students' reading ability enables them comfortably to handle modern Japanese materials with the help of the dictionary. In speaking, they are able to carry on daily conversation with relative ease.

The fourth-year level, Advanced Speaking and Reading, is open to students with at least three or more years of formal study in modern Japanese. Instruction focuses on detailed analysis of grammar and styles of major genres in speech and writing. Students are required to read, analyze, and listen to a wide range of written and spoken materials. Typical assignments utilize panel discussions, public lectures, rakugo, narratives, novels, poems, newspapers, and various readings in the social sciences and humanities. Conducted entirely in Japanese, this course demands a high level of proficiency in all four language skills. New emphasis is placed on the improvement of writing skills, with students expected to write four or five long essays which are corrected and explicated in individual diagnostic sessions. Students are also encouraged to help those at lower levels of study. By the end of the session, students have greater fluency in daily conversation and an enhanced ability to discuss complex academic subjects. Students are also urged to do as much collateral reading as possible in Japanese newspapers and weekly magazines. Daily work outside the classroom requires an average of four to six hours.

Applicants to the Japanese School must return completed applications and all supporting materials by March 15. For further information and an application, please contact:

The Japanese School
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5520
The Russian School

As the Middlebury Russian School approaches its fortieth birthday in 1985, its "mission," the teaching of Russian language, literature, and culture, is more vital today than in any period in recent memory. When the first Russian School opened its doors in 1945, it was made up of forty-four students and four instructors. Over the following decades the school continued to grow and flourish. In 1973 an intensive language program was introduced enabling us to offer a broader range of courses, from beginning Russian to advanced graduate seminars. Students could now come to earn an M.A., M.M.L. or D.M.L. degree or simply to learn the language in an invigorating "all Russian" atmosphere.

Through the history of the Russian School the language pledge, or chestnoe slovo, has been the invisible "glue" holding the program together. This pledge to speak only Russian may be a ritual, and thus in a way artificial, but combined with a solid curriculum and hard work on the part of students it has been instrumental in producing impressive, often remarkable, results. Such success derives from the tradition, the "intellectual contract," that regularly lures curious students to the beauties of a New England summer in order to be taxed to the limit by experienced and dynamic teachers. And in an era of strained East-West relations, global misunderstanding, and "tongue-tied" Americans, there are worse hedges against the future than participation in the living tradition called the Russian School.

Any institution such as the Russian School which relies so heavily on its teaching faculty is only as good as the quality of its instruction. We have made, and will continue to make, a concerted effort to bring superior teachers of Russian language, literature, and culture to the summer program. In the nine-week intensive language sequence (first through third year) a student is apt to find himself or herself in a class conducted by a native Russian or bilingual American who has years of experience helping American students overcome difficulties specific to their ex-
perience of language learning. Course materials, often devised by our staff, are constantly being improved and edited, and in the months and years ahead the Russian School is working toward becoming a leader in innovative language teaching methodologies, including computer-assisted instruction.

In the six-week session (fourth year and graduate) a student is still required to function effectively in a language-intensive environment, but the academic “accent” will be somewhat different. At this level the student is approaching fluency in the language and is therefore ready to take content courses in Russian. A graduate student at the Russian School is apt to be taught by one of the country’s prominent Slavists. Over the past several years our faculty has included such names as Edward Brown (Stanford University), Efim Etkind (University of Paris), Maurice Friedberg (University of Illinois), Xenia Gasiorowska (University of Wisconsin, Madison), Simon Karlinsky (University of California, Berkeley) and Victor Terras (Brown University) . . . A typical graduate curriculum for a summer is made up of (1) a number of advanced practical language courses, (2) courses on culture and intellectual history, (3) courses on literature, and (4) courses on linguistics. Some courses offered in past years are:

- The Communist Revolution: The History of the Party and the USSR to the Present Day
- Russian Literature on the Screen
- Advanced Oral Self-Expression
- Practical Stylistics
- Word Order in Russian
- Theater Workshop
- Folklore
- Pushkin
- Tolstoy
- History of Russian Language
- The Major Authors in Russian Literature (Workshop)
- Theater Upturned: Russian Innovations in Theater and Drama from Stanislavsky to the Present
- The Art of Vladimir Nabokov
- Russian Art of the Modern Period
- Selected Topics from Russian Cultural and Intellectual History
- Four Novelists of the 19th Century (Turgenev, Goncharov, Saltykov-Shchedrin, Leskov)
- Translation
- The Structure of Contemporary Russian
- Theory of Verbal Aspect

Special mention should be made of the recently established Workshop in Russian Literature intended for students at the most advanced level of literary and linguistic sophistication. It is conducted by five distinguished visiting professors, each of whom is in residence for a period of one week in order to give five lectures on a given topic.

In recent years, the Russian School has been recognized not only for its academic but also for its cultural and extracurricular program. Through a full schedule of films, lectures, plays, choral recitals, cabarets and amateur nights, picnics and festivities, students are encouraged to live the language even as they learn it in the classroom. Each summer Russian School students stage a play and sing in concert under the direction of specialists from our faculty. At public lectures and readings students can meet such well-known Russian and East European cultural figures in the West as Vasily Aksenov, Nina Berberova, Ivan Elagin, Mihajlo Mihajlov, and Sasha Sokolov. From the foregoing it should be clear that we believe the language of our school to be both an academic tool and, equally important, a means of communication.

For further information and an application, please contact:

The Russian School
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5532
The Spanish School

In its more than sixty-five years of existence, the Middlebury College Spanish School has trained more than 5000 teachers, businessmen, diplomats, and other professionals in its Hispanic studies program.

Fundamental to the Spanish School is the creation of an ambience as similar to that of the foreign culture as is possible in a small New England town. Prominent Hispanists from the United States and abroad are brought to campus each summer to teach an integrated program of studies including pedagogy, literature, art, music, history, sociology, and other disciplines. Students are encouraged to organize their curriculum to include courses in several or more of these areas in order to have a complete picture of Spain and Latin America.

The notable improvement in students' control of Spanish during a summer's stay at Middlebury is due in large part to the school's insistence on the exclusive use of the language at all times. Students are also encouraged to participate in the wide spectrum of activities offered each summer including films, fiestas, lectures, and theatre — all in Spanish.

The Intensive Language Program (seven-week session) offers beginning through advanced levels. The beginning and intermediate levels consist of a group of courses in which different aspects of the language are presented and reinforced. The advanced level combines grammar with thematic mini-courses that introduce the student to the literature of the Spanish world. Bridging the gap between this level and the Graduate School is a thorough grammar review that is usually complemented with courses in culture, civilization and teaching methodology. Examples of recent course offerings at the advanced undergraduate level are:

- The Theatre of Garcia Lorca
- Contemporary Latin American Short Story
- Teaching Spanish Language and Culture Through Video

The intensive six-week Graduate Degree Program, leading to an M.A., M.M.L., or D.M.L. degree, is open to students who hold a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish or those who have a B.A. and sufficient background in Spanish, as determined by a placement examination. The program welcomes qualified applicants who, for personal or business reasons, wish to avail themselves of its courses and activities as non-degree students. The summer program offers all six-week students a great variety of courses. In the language area, in addition to the study of particular aspects of Spanish grammar, there are courses on translation, on Spanish for the different professions, or on the history of the Spanish language, among others. The culture and civilization courses cover all epochs and all geographical areas in the Hispanic world in a multi-disciplinary approach, from the paintings of Goya and Murillo to the poetry in contemporary Spanish American song. Coverage in literature is just as broad. The methodology section of the curriculum keeps the student abreast of recent developments in the field of Spanish language education, such as the use of video-tape in the Spanish classroom. Recent courses at the graduate level have included:

- Business and Commercial Spanish
- Spanish Vocal Music
- Contemporary Latin American Narrative
- Modern and Contemporary Spain
- The Novels of Garcia Márquez
- The Early Plays of Lope de Vega
- The Modern Hispanic Caribbean: Its History and Literature
- Contrastive Linguistics
- Spanish Painting and Sculpture in the 20th Century
- The Latin American Essay
- The Spanish Novel Since the Civil War
- Cervantes: Don Quijote

In addition, the Spanish School now offers two-week graduate seminars during the summer session. These are designed for qualified students who need a shorter but concentrated ex-
posure to a topic of importance to their professional or personal development. Seminar topics have included *The Spanish Language Today*, *Contemporary Latin America*, *Puerto Rico and the Puerto Ricans: The Island and the Mainland* and a joint venture with the School of Arabic, *Al-Andalus: Muslim Spain, A.D. 711–1492.*

For further information and an application, please contact:

The Spanish School  
Middlebury College  
Middlebury, Vermont 05753  
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The Schools Abroad

During the academic year the Middlebury College Language Schools in Florence, Madrid, Mainz and Paris offer junior year and graduate degree programs. The School in the Soviet Union offers a one-semester program (fall or spring) for both graduates and undergraduates. Credits earned may be applied toward a Middlebury B.A. or M.A. or transferred to the student's home institution.

Each school is under the supervision of a resident director appointed by the College to oversee all aspects of the program and to help students settle in the foreign cities. Courses are taught by distinguished scholars either at local universities and institutes or in special courses organized for Middlebury College. The academic calendar varies from country to country, and students are advised to refer to individual school sections about this and other possible variations. Commencement exercises are held on the Vermont campus in August.

Middlebury College, while providing advice on travel to Europe and on housing in the foreign cities, believes strongly that students benefit greatly from being independent. Students are therefore expected to make their own arrangements for travel, meals and housing and to pay their own expenses while abroad, except in the case of the Soviet Union where Middlebury College makes all arrangements for room and round-trip travel between the U.S. and Moscow.

Students are expected to maintain the spirit of the Middlebury language pledge while they are abroad.

Financial aid in the form of scholarships, work-aid and loans is available to graduate students and Middlebury College undergraduates. Forms and detailed instructions are included in application packets. The deadline for first awards is March 15. For more information about financial aid, contact the Office of Financial Aid, Emma Willard House, Middlebury College, (802) 388-5711, ext. 5158.

The Junior Program: Qualified juniors from Middlebury College and other accredited institutions of higher education take advanced undergraduate courses to be counted toward the B.A. degree either at Middlebury College or for transfer to their home institutions. The prerequisites for acceptance into the programs vary from school to school, but students should have reached a language proficiency of approximately the fifth college semester before studying abroad. Majors in disciplines other than foreign languages are welcome to apply if they have reached the requisite level of language proficiency. In some cases, a preliminary summer at Middlebury may be required of students who need additional preparation before being allowed to register abroad.

Students may enroll for the full academic year, or for only one semester as follows: France, full year (Middlebury College undergraduates only have a spring semester option in Paris); Germany, Italy and Spain, full year or either semester, fall or spring; The Soviet Union, fall or spring semester. For reasons of course availability and cultural immersion, it is strongly recommended that where possible students enroll in the full year course of study.

The Graduate Program: After spending the required preliminary summer on the Vermont campus, graduate students may earn the M.A. degree after completing the course of study at one of the schools abroad, except in the case of the Soviet Union. Students who wish to complete the M.A. degree in Russian must take additional summer study in Vermont. Students are expected to carry a full academic load of courses in the areas of language, literature, and culture and civilization. D.M.L. candidates may elect to fulfill the required residency abroad by taking courses for credit in one of the schools or by auditing classes in preparation for the general examinations. (It is not possible at present to pursue work at the doctorate level at the school in Moscow.) For more information about the degree of Doctor of Modern Languages (D.M.L.), please write to the Director of the Language Schools, Middlebury College.
The School in France

The Middlebury School in France is located at Reid Hall, 4 rue de Chevreuse, 75006 Paris, in the Montparnasse district. Courses are taught by faculty members at the University of Paris X-Nanterre, other branches of the University of Paris and various other French institutes. While each student is responsible for securing his or her own living accommodation, the Middlebury office in Reid Hall maintains a list of student residences, rooms and other lodgings. Juniors should consult the French School office on the Vermont campus during the spring (graduate students during the summer session) about housing in Paris. The program runs from early September to June 1, approximately.

The Junior Program: Juniors enroll for the full academic year in a program of studies designed both to complement courses taken at the home institution and to form a logical link between sophomore and senior years. Students wishing to apply must have: completed two full years of college with at least a B—overall average; reached a language proficiency equal to five college semesters; and completed one course at the level of Middlebury's FR 206-7-8-9, *Introduction to Literature and Civilization*, with a grade average of B or better.

During the first five weeks, beginning in early September, the Middlebury School in France offers an intensive preliminary session of language work and an introduction to contemporary France. After this preliminary session, students may take courses in language and civilization at Reid Hall and/or courses in linguistics, literature, cinema, theatre studies, art history, and economics at the University of Paris X-Nanterre. Juniors may also enroll at the *Institut d'Etudes Politiques* taking courses in political science and related areas, or preparing the special *Certificat d'Etudes politiques*, a full course of study for highly qualified students. The C.E.P. is excellent preparation for certain careers and professional schools. By special arrangement, courses in studio art will be available to qualified students. Special permission required.
A special one-semester junior program is open to a limited number of Middlebury College undergraduates for whom the full-year program would be academically unfeasible. It consists of the preliminary session followed by a selection of courses which are available during the second semester, either at Reid Hall, the University of Paris X-Nanterre or at the Institut d'Études Politiques. Students accepted into the semester program must have completed FR 206, Introduction to Contemporary France, or its equivalent.

The Graduate Program: After successfully completing three courses (units) at the summer session on the Vermont campus, M.A. degree candidates begin the academic year in France with a preliminary session offered by Middlebury during September and early October. During this preliminary session at Reid Hall students are enrolled in two seminars designed to prepare them for advanced university work and to introduce them to the methods and subject areas of the mémoire, a short thesis required of all M.A. degree candidates. During the academic year following the preliminary session, graduate students earn the remaining eight units toward the twelve required for their degree. In addition to the mémoire (worth two units of credit), six additional units of course work are distributed in the areas of language, phonetics, literature, culture and civilization, and business French. Courses are as follows: at the Middlebury School in France: advanced language practice, civilization and literature; the University of Paris X-Nanterre: courses in linguistics, literature, cinema, theater studies, art history, archaeology, and economics; and by special arrangement one course each at the following schools: l'Ecole Commerciale de la Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie de Paris, and l'Institut d'Études Politiques.

The following is a list of some of the courses available in recent years:
* L'École en France: une machine à fabriquer des Français
* Le théâtre de Sartre
* Paris aujourd'hui
* L'écriture poétique
* Polémique et littérature au XVIIème siècle
* Histoire de l'art
* Sémiotique de l'image: de la photo au cinéma
* Histoire de la mise en scène
* Initiation à l'art médiéval
* Monnaies et banques
* Problèmes monétaires internationaux
* La France contemporaine
* Les Relations internationales de 1968 à nos jours
* Économie internationale
* La vie politique en France
* Urbanisme et architecture de Paris
* Aspects de la saison théâtrale
* Le français des affaires

*Courses open to graduate students only.
†Courses open to juniors only.

By special arrangement, qualified graduates or undergraduates may also do a stage (teaching internship) in English at the Junior or Senior High School level.

In order to comply with various visa and French university requirements, no applications for admission to the School in France can be accepted after May 15th. For further information and an application, please contact:

The School in France
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5523
The School in Germany

Located at Rheinstrasse 42, in Mainz, the school was founded in 1959 and is fully recognized by the academic senate of Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, leading to an active exchange of faculty and students. The school is under a resident director appointed from the Middlebury College faculty.

Participants in the program, both graduates and juniors, are fully enfranchised students at both Middlebury College and Johannes Gutenberg-Universität. They take practically all their courses together with their German peers at the university, but Middlebury College augments the offering of the university with special courses, taught for program students by especially hired faculty from the university. While participants in the junior year program have a semester or full-year option, the graduate program normally does not have this option. Middlebury College has a special agreement with the Studentenwerk Mainz which enables the program to place most students in university dormitories on campus, thus providing additional contact with German university life. Students take most of their courses in the Deutsches Institut, but may also enroll in courses in related areas, such as history, political science, art history, etc. Before registration all students must meet the following requirements which are imposed on U.S. applicants by the education authorities in Mainz: at least one course in English and at least one course in the natural sciences, including mathematics.

The period between the 27th of September and the beginning of classes is a required orientation period. The Wintersemester extends from mid-October to mid-February. There is a Christmas recess of about ten days. The Sommersemester usually begins on April 1 and runs until early July. Students are enrolled for the entire academic year. The Director of Studies will come to Middlebury during the summer and will guide students in a preliminary choice of courses.

Each year the Johannes Gutenberg-Universität gives a scholarship to a Middlebury student who is an American citizen. Applicants with pedagogical experience and some background in English are preferred, since there may be a limited teaching assignment. During the summer session Middlebury also nominates several students for DAAD fellowships. The choice is made on the basis of scholarship ability. In the past some two to four of our students have been awarded these fellowships each summer.
The Junior Program: Undergraduates must have junior standing by the time they start in Mainz, plus at least two courses above the Middlebury College GN 201-202 level; normally this requirement is met during a preliminary summer on the Vermont campus. Juniors may enroll for either the Sommersemester or the Wintersemester alone, or for the entire academic year. Juniors will enroll in four courses for credit and may take a fifth course as an elective. The bulk of the students' work will be in Fachbereich 13, but juniors, especially those majoring in departments other than German, are encouraged to take at least one course in an area other than language and literature. Middlebury accepts applications from undergraduates enrolled at other colleges and universities.

The Graduate Program: Graduate students must have a B.A. degree from an accredited institution of higher education, with a German major, or its equivalent. A summer on the Vermont campus is required before students can be considered candidates for the M.A. degree. After successfully completing three courses at the summer session of the German School, M.A. candidates take at least ten courses in Fachbereich 13 (Deutsche Philologie, Vergleichende Literatur and Volkskunde) at the Johannes Gutenberg-Universitat. With the permission of the resident Director of Studies, some courses may be taken in related areas, such as philosophy, art, history or music. A student who passes fewer than four courses in either semester may be asked to withdraw from the program. Where lectures are augmented by specially arranged Middlebury tutorials, the tutor's evaluation of the student's performance is a major component of the grading.

Students are required to write four papers a semester, a copy of each paper going to the Director of Studies for inclusion in a Middlebury portfolio. The director's judgment of each student's portfolio of papers will play a major role in the decision to award the M.A. degree.

A special feature of the program in Mainz is the Sonderkurs, which is a seminar commissioned only for Middlebury students. The Sonderkurs gives students a chance to work in a smaller group directly with a German professor. Sonderkurse are offered to complement the courses of Fachbereich 13. German universities do not deal in terms of "units" or "credits," but Middlebury College, in granting an American degree, must assign unit and letter-grade values to the student's work. The Director of Studies determines these values, and his decision is final. The M.A. in Mainz requires a minimum of thirteen units, including three taken on the Vermont campus.

The following courses were among those offered during the Wintersemester 1983-84:

- Tendencies of Synchrone Linguistics
- Introduction to Sociolinguistics
- Medieval Studies
- Schiller
- Drama of the Weimar Years
- Thomas Mann
- Current German Novel
- Goethe's Classical Dramas
- Fontane's "Berlin Novels"
- Franz Kafka
- Forms of Popular Poetry
- The Palatinate: Folklore of a Region
- Literature and Photography
- Historical Biography and Biographic Novel

For further information and an application, please contact:

The School in Germany
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5528
The School in Italy

The school, or Sede, is centrally located in the Palazzo Benivieni, Via dell'Oche 5, Florence, just behind the Duomo and a short walk from the University of Florence. All courses offered by Middlebury College are held there during the introductory fall term (early September–late October) and during the academic year (November–June). Housing is not provided for students, but the school maintains lists of families and apartments where students have lived in previous years, and every effort will be made to help students get settled in Florence.

The program of studies begins with the introductory fall term during which both junior and graduate students take courses in art history, history, language, literature and civilization taught by instructors engaged by the College, many of whom are regular faculty members at the University of Florence.

The Junior Program: Competence in Italian is an essential ingredient for success in the program. To enroll, students must have completed either five semesters of undergraduate Italian, or one year of undergraduate Italian followed by a summer of study at Middlebury. A student may be required to attend a preliminary summer in Vermont if preparation in Italian is judged insufficient.

In Florence, students take the courses that make up the introductory fall term. During the academic year they continue with the ongoing courses at the Sede in language and literature, and choose two electives from among the regular course offerings at the University of Florence. If, after completing the fall-term curriculum, a student's preparation is judged to be insufficient to take courses at the university, he or she may enroll for both the fall and spring semesters at the Sede and audit classes at the university.

In addition to the full-year program, Middlebury offers a fall and a spring semester option, consisting of courses in art history, civilization, language, and literature. This program lends itself in particular to students whose course of study makes a stay of more than one semester difficult. While the University of Florence does not offer courses by semester, juniors who wish to attend the School in Italy for one semester only may take courses at the Sede for credit and audit courses at the university.

The following courses were offered at the Sede in 1983–84:

- Syntax and Composition
- Italian Art: Fourth Century to Renaissance
- The High Renaissance and Mannerism
- Contemporary Italian History
- Italian Economics After World War II
- Twentieth Century Italian Fiction
- Origins of the Twentieth Century Novel
- Patterns and Problems of Renaissance Literature

By special arrangement with Smith College, courses in: art history, history and literature. By special arrangement, courses in studio art will be available to qualified students. Special permission required.

The Graduate Program: Final acceptance into the graduate program depends on the satisfactory completion of a summer of study at the Vermont campus. The year in Florence consists of two parts: the introductory fall term at the Sede and the academic year at the University of Florence.

Before beginning the academic year at the university, students consult with the director to choose a year-long program of study consisting of four courses. Two of these are normally offered at the Sede in language, literature or civilization and the other two are chosen from courses given at the university. No more than two literature courses may be taken during the academic year, and students will normally choose their other courses in the areas of art history, economics, history or political science.
Every graduate student must complete an independent research project based in part on course work done during the year. Permission may be granted to write a paper on other topics under the supervision of a faculty member. The paper (20–30 pages) should demonstrate a high level of written control of the language as well as an appropriate level of critical and analytical skill.

The University of Florence

Students enroll in Corsi Singoli at the University of Florence and are subject to both the privileges and restrictions determined by the university administration. It is important to note that a course in an Italian university is normally a series of lectures or seminars to guide students in their study and preparation for a final comprehensive examination. A typical university course is made up of three parts: (1) a corso monografico, which varies from year to year, given by the professore; (2) a seminario on a different topic conducted by one or two assistenti; and (3) a parte generale which entails independent preparation by the student of critical readings, texts, etc. assigned by the professore. Students are therefore reminded that classroom instruction alone does not provide the whole body of information on which they will be examined.

From two to eight courses in each of the following subject areas are regularly offered at the University of Florence:

- Italian Literature
- Philology
- Linguistics
- History of the Italian Language
- Archeology and History of Greek and Roman Art
- Art History
- Medieval History
- Modern History
- Contemporary History
- History of the Risorgimento
- History of the Theatre

For more information and an application, please contact:

The School in Italy
Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-3711, ext. 5543
The School in the Soviet Union

Since 1977, Middlebury College has conducted a semester-length program at the Pushkin Russian Language Institute in Moscow. Both graduate and undergraduate students participate in the program from September to January or from February to June.

The Pushkin Institute is the pre-eminent center in the Soviet Union for research on the teaching of Russian as a foreign language and for preparation of Russian teaching materials. On its staff are many specialists of international renown, as well as a corps of teachers experienced in teaching foreign students in Moscow.

The Middlebury group is under the supervision of an American resident director who is a full-time Middlebury College faculty member and has an office in the Institute's new dormitory. Students are also housed in this new dormitory in "blocks" consisting of double and triple rooms which share toilet and bath facilities. Each floor of the dormitory has its own kitchen.

Travel arrangements are made by the Middlebury Language Schools and students travel in a group from the United States to Moscow.

Program of Studies

Instruction is given in small groups by Institute personnel and lasts about five hours a day, six days a week. Practical course work includes grammar, word-study, phonetics and conversation. Special lectures cover the contemporary Russian language and its norms, Soviet culture and society, Russian and Soviet literature and methods of teaching Russian as a foreign language. All practical and lecture courses end in examinations and grades. Students also take weekly excursions to important sites in and around Moscow and a week-long trip to Leningrad and other cities.

The Moscow semester grants 5½ units of credit (16½ semester hours). These credits may be applied toward the Middlebury B. A. or M.A. degree, or transferred to another institution. The minimum eligibility requirement is completion of a course at the third-year level or higher on the Middlebury campus. Students who wish to apply should request application materials from the Russian School. Upon acceptance to the summer program, they will receive additional information about the semester in Moscow.

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The School in Spain

A valuable complement of the Middlebury summer program is the School in Spain, located at the Instituto Internacional, Miguel Angel 8, in Madrid. The capital of Spain offers a wealth of intellectual and cultural possibilities and enjoys a central location, convenient for travel to various regions of the country. The building itself is of great historical and artistic interest, and its location in one of the nicest areas of the city makes it easily accessible to our students.

The school offers both junior and graduate programs during the academic year. Undergraduates may choose either a spring or fall semester or a complete year of study. Candidates for the M.A. degree can choose to attend the academic year in Spain after successfully completing three required courses at the summer session of the Spanish School on the Vermont campus.

Courses for the fall semester begin in mid-September and end with final examinations in late December. After the Christmas vacation the spring semester opens approximately in the second week of January and continues until late May. The resident director is available to advise students at all times throughout the year, beginning with a series of orientation meetings on the Vermont campus during the summer when questions of registration, transportation, housing and excursions in Spain are discussed at length. Juniors receive all necessary information by mail during the summer months.

During the first week of each semester, all new undergraduates are expected to participate in an orientation program designed to introduce them quickly to life in the Spanish capital and the surrounding area. Visits are arranged to various points of interest in Madrid, and weekend excursions to other parts of Spain are planned for both undergraduate and graduate students throughout the academic year.

All courses are organized by Middlebury College for its own students. They are taught by a distinguished gathering of some of the most renowned scholars of Spain, including members of the Real Academia, university professors and by other authorities in the fields of letters, history, the social sciences and the arts. The course offerings are organized with an emphasis on Spain in order to take advantage of the students' presence there. Students with special curricular needs may with the permission of the director enroll in selected courses offered by other U.S. universities at the Instituto Internacional.

The Junior Program: Qualified undergraduates with five completed semesters of college-level Spanish or equivalent proficiency in the language may enroll for the fall or spring semester or for the full academic year. Some graduate courses are open to juniors during their second semester in Madrid. In special cases and with permission from the director, an advanced junior may be allowed to take a graduate course which is not normally open to juniors.

The Graduate Program: During the required preliminary summer in Middlebury, graduate students normally take three courses. Advanced Spanish Language and Literary Analysis are required and are usually taken at this time with one other elective course. It is strongly advised that the students use this elective course to fulfill the Latin American course requirement. In Madrid, the students follow a program consisting of four courses one semester, including the required Seminario de literatura, and five courses the other. The choice depends on academic performance at Middlebury and upon previous studies, needs and interests. Some students, upon authorization of the director, may write a long paper under the supervision of a faculty adviser. This paper is the equivalent of two courses (units). The following list is representative of the courses offered in recent years:

- Fondo histórico de España
- Folklore español
- Taller: La actualidad española
- Narrativa y poesía hispanoamericana desde la Independencia
- Poesía española moderna
- Traducción: inglés-español

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Seminar de literatura
Cervantes: ideología y composición del Quijote
Novela latinoamericana
Teatro español moderno: Valle-Inclán, García Lorca y Buero Vallejo
Política española contemporánea
Arte en El Prado
Composición y estilística
Español coloquial
Obras maestras del Siglo de Oro
La poesía de la generación del '27
Autores latinoamericanos modernos
Velázquez, Goya y Picasso
Cine español

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The School in Spain
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Calendar and Fees/Summer 1984

June 15–August 18  
9-week session
Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Russian
Tuition $1800  Room $290  Board $700

June 22–August 11  
7-week session
French, German, Italian, Spanish
Tuition $1350  Room $215  Board $550

June 25–August 11  
6-week session
French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish
Tuition $1350  Room $200  Board $500

Auditor Fee: $300 per week

Two-Week Graduate Seminars
Tuition $450  Room $110  Board $175

July 1–14
Teaching of French Civilization

July 15–28
Le Français des affaires: Strategies and Goals
Landeskunde: The Media and Politics

July 29–August 11
Oral Proficiency Testing in Spanish
German Language Teaching and Communication

Academic Year 1984–85/Schools Abroad

Graduate Degree and Junior Year Programs
Florence — Madrid — Mainz — Paris
Tuition: Full Year $4300/Semester $2200

Graduate/Undergraduate Program
Moscow (one semester only)
Tuition: $5400 (includes round-trip travel from U.S. to Moscow)
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