

LANGUAGES

Westminster offers an exciting range of opportunities to study European and non-European languages: Arabic, Chinese, French and Spanish. Languages can be combined with a range of other subjects such as English, Linguistics, International Business or International Relations, giving you the chance to personalise your study with your choice of pathway. As a languages student, you will be based in the heart of a vibrant, multicultural city where more than 300 languages are spoken. You will be able to take advantage of our central London location, with its unrivalled range of library, archive and cultural resources, as well as its social diversity.

Teaching and learning

Our courses are taught in small classes, and all of our lecturers are professional linguists or specialists in their academic discipline who have used their language and intercultural skills in the real world. There is a strong focus on applied language skills, and we consider the study of culture integral to language learning; study abroad opportunities are available, as are work placements both in Britain and overseas.

Employability

We aim to train competent linguists in modern languages ready to enter the workplace. You will be able to improve your employability through language-related internships, voluntary opportunities and professional simulations, as well as a module on 'Career Competencies for Linguists' which all form part of the curriculum. Our graduates find employment as translators, interpreters and teachers, and in other sectors including law, marketing, journalism, the Civil Service, administration, international business and financial services.

Foundation pathway

We offer Foundations as a route onto some of our undergraduate programmes. For module information and any further details, please visit: westminster.ac.uk/foundation-courses

See also: English p92 • Linguistics p126 • Politics, International Relations and Development p148



All Languages students have an opportunity to **work** or **study abroad**



Students at Regent Campus



LANGUAGES FOUNDATION YEAR

UCAS codes:

- Arabic and Global Communication with Foundation BA Honours G103
- Chinese and Global Communication with Foundation BA Honours N46M
- French and Global Communication with Foundation BA Honours HO49
- Spanish and Global Communication with Foundation BA Honours D1D3
- Translation Studies (French) with Foundation BA Honours QR92
- Translation Studies (Spanish) with Foundation BA Honours QR95

Campus: Central London (see map p206)

Entry requirements: A Levels – DEE/CDD (Translation Studies: with C in French/Spanish or speaking French/Spanish proficiently); International Baccalaureate – 24 points (Translation Studies: with a minimum of 4 in French/Spanish at Higher Level); BTEC Extended Diploma – MPP (Translation Studies: with evidence of successful modern foreign language learning in Spanish/French); BTEC Diploma – MM/DM. Overseas students require IELTS of 6.0 overall, with 5.5 in each component. See also p198 and relevant course web pages for further information.

Our degree courses with Foundation year offer the opportunity to prepare you for advanced study before you progress onto a full honours degree at the University of Westminster. Whether you do not feel ready for degree-level study, don't have the right qualifications, want to change your subject specialism or return to study after an absence from education, we aim to encourage a broad range of students to undertake our Foundation year in order to progress onto their full honours degree with us.

The Foundation year is designed to give you the opportunity to explore new ideas, opening up new perspectives on the key debates within your chosen field. Core modules accelerate your academic and professional development and you will also take modules from areas closely related to your chosen field, giving you the chance to develop a cross-disciplinary perspective on your course.

On successful completion of the Foundation year, you will be able to move on to the first year of your chosen undergraduate degree.

For module information and further details, please visit: westminster.ac.uk/languages

ARABIC

These Arabic courses are BA Honours

Length of course: Three or four years full-time, or four to nine years part-time with an optional year abroad

UCAS codes: The following courses are designed for beginner or false beginner language level:

- Arabic and English Language QTH6
- Arabic and English Literature QT36
- Arabic and Global Communication G101
- Arabic and International Relations ITG6
- Arabic and Linguistics TQ61

Campus: Central London (see map p206)

Entry requirements: A Levels – BCC/ABB; International Baccalaureate – 27 points; BTEC Extended Diploma – DMM/DDM; BTEC Diploma – D*D/D*D*. Overseas students require IELTS of 6.0 overall, with 5.5 in each component. We are ideally looking for evidence of successful language learning, formal or informal, in the applicant's personal statement, but please note that these courses are designed for students only at Beginners or False Beginners level in Arabic and we may need to test you to determine your language level. See also p198.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/languages



Studying Arabic at Westminster will equip you with a high level of linguistic competence and a critical understanding of the contemporary Arab world. Our classes focus on the active use of Modern Standard Arabic in contemporary, real-life situations. You will be taught by experienced academics with a background in linguistics, language pedagogy, politics and literature, who deliver highly interesting and challenging classes. Our integrated teaching approach ensures meaningful links with other aspects of your course and will equip you with both the linguistic and cultural skills needed to function in different cultural and professional environments.

Unique to Westminster is the option to study Arabic in combination with Global Communication, see p119 for details. During your optional year abroad, you can study in a number of different destinations, ranging from Jordan to Morocco and other destinations in the Middle East.

*Foundation available on Arabic and Global Communication only

ARABIC/CHINESE/FRENCH/SPANISH AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS*

Arabic/Chinese/French/Spanish and International Business BA Honours

Arabic/Chinese/French/Spanish and International Business with Professional Experience BA Honours

Arabic/Chinese/French/Spanish International Business with International Experience BA Honours

Length of course: Three years full-time; four years full-time with work placement or study abroad

UCAS codes:

- Arabic and International Business LB10
- Chinese and International Business LB11
- French and International Business LB12
- Spanish and International Business LB14

Campus: Central London (see map p206)

Entry requirements: A Levels – BCC/ABB; International Baccalaureate – 27 points; BTEC Extended Diploma – DMM/DDM; BTEC Diploma – D*D/D*D*. Overseas students require IELTS of 6.0 overall, with 5.5 in each component. Our Arabic/Chinese courses are only available to beginner or 'false beginner' entrants – false beginners are students who may be able to speak an Arabic/Chinese dialect or to read the Arabic/Chinese script, and/or have the equivalent to one or two years part-time study. Our French/Spanish courses are available to beginners, 'false beginners' and intermediate entrants – false beginners are students who may have the equivalent to one or two years part-time study. Please note that we may need to test you to determine your entry point. See also p198.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/languages



This course is designed to develop the skills and knowledge you will need to succeed in the increasingly globalised business world. The course is offered with four possible languages – Arabic, Chinese, French or Spanish. The subjects studied incorporate cross-national perspectives, and the comprehensive language training places strong emphasis on the day-to-day use of language in a business environment, enabling you to deal with all aspects of business transactions.

This degree will equip you with competency in a foreign language, and a range of professional skills and knowledge from relevant business areas. You will also have the opportunity to spend an optional year abroad, experiencing life, culture and work outside the UK while studying in the country where your chosen language is spoken. In some cases you can opt to combine study abroad with a work placement; or you have the opportunity of a work placement year in the UK.

*Course subject to final approval

CHINESE

These Chinese courses are BA Honours

Length of course: Three or four years full-time, or four to nine years part-time with an optional year abroad

UCAS codes: The following courses are designed for beginner or false beginner language level:

- Chinese and English Language TQ13
- Chinese and English Literature QT31
- Chinese and Global Communication N46K
- Chinese and International Relations IT2C
- Chinese and Linguistics TQ11

Campus: Central London (see map p206)

Entry requirements: A Levels – BCC/ABB; International Baccalaureate – 27 points; BTEC Extended Diploma – DMM/DDM; BTEC Diploma – D*D/D*D*. Overseas students require IELTS of 6.0 overall, with 5.5 in each component. We are ideally looking for evidence of successful language learning, formal or informal, in the applicant's personal statement, but please note that these courses are designed for students only at Beginners or Intermediate level in Chinese and we may need to test you to determine your language level. See also p198.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/languages



Chinese is one of the most interesting and exciting subjects to choose as a degree course. At Westminster you will be taught by experienced lecturers and internationally renowned researchers, who bring their first-hand experience of China and the Chinese language into the classroom. Our integrated approach creates meaningful links with other aspects of your course and will equip you with both the linguistic and cultural skills needed to function in different cultural and professional environments. You will reach a high level of linguistic competence and a critical understanding of contemporary China.

Unique to Westminster is the option to study Chinese in combination with Global Communication, see p119 for details. During the optional year abroad, our students study in a range of different cities in China or Taiwan.

*Foundation available on Chinese and Global Communication only

FRENCH

These French courses are BA Honours

Length of course: Three or four years full-time, or four to nine years part-time with an optional year abroad

UCAS codes: The following courses are designed for beginner or intermediate language level:

- French and English Language QRH1
- French and English Literature QR31
- French and Global Communication H047
- French and International Relations LR21
- French and Linguistics RQ11
- Translation Studies (French) QR91 - Intermediate and Proficient (French language at A Level standard or equivalent or native language speaker)

Campus: Central London (see map p206)

Entry requirements: A Levels – BCC/ABB (Translation Studies: with C in French or speaking French proficiently); International Baccalaureate – 27 points (Translation Studies: with a minimum of 4 in French at Higher Level); BTEC Extended Diploma – DMM/DDM (Translation Studies: with evidence of successful modern foreign language learning in French); BTEC Diploma – D*D/D*D* (Translation Studies: with evidence of successful modern foreign language learning in French). Overseas students require IELTS of 6.0 overall, with 5.5 in each component. We are ideally looking for evidence of successful language learning, formal or informal, in the applicant's personal statement. We accept students at Beginners' and Intermediate levels. Proficient students (native speaker level) will be directed towards our BA in Translation as a more appropriate course. For Translation Studies (French): we may need to test you to ascertain your language level if you are not doing an A Level in French. See also p198.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/languages



Studying French at Westminster will turn you into a competent linguist ready to enter the workplace. We place a high emphasis on employability and the contemporary French context in integrated classes, which create meaningful links to the other aspects of your course. Your lecturers are all experienced linguists, translators and researchers, who bring their first-hand experience of the contemporary French and Francophone world into the classroom to equip you with both the linguistic and cultural skills needed to function in different cultural and professional environments.

Unique to Westminster is the option to study French in combination with Global Communication, see p119 for details. During the optional year abroad, our students study in a range of different cities in France or French speaking territories further afield.

*Foundation available on French and Global Communication or Translation Studies (French) only

SPANISH

These Spanish courses are BA Honours

Length of course: Three or four years full-time, or four to nine years part-time with an optional year abroad

UCAS codes: The following courses are designed for beginner or intermediate language level:

- Spanish and English Language QRH4
- Spanish and English Literature QR34
- Spanish and Global Communication DOD2
- Spanish and International Relations LR24
- Spanish and Linguistics RQ41
- Translation Studies (Spanish) QR94 - Intermediate and Proficient (Spanish language at A Level standard or equivalent or native language speaker)

Campus: Central London (see map p206)

Entry requirements: A Levels – BCC/ABB (Translation Studies: with C in Spanish or speaking Spanish proficiently); International Baccalaureate – 27 points (Translation Studies: with a minimum of 4 in Spanish at Higher Level); BTEC Extended Diploma – DMM/DDM (Translation Studies: with evidence of successful modern foreign language learning in Spanish); BTEC Diploma – D*D/D*D* (Translation Studies: with evidence of successful modern foreign language learning in Spanish). Overseas students require IELTS of 6.0 overall, with 5.5 in each component. We are ideally looking for evidence of successful language learning, formal or informal, in the applicant's personal statement. We accept students at Beginners' and Intermediate levels. Proficient students (native speaker level) will be directed towards our BA in Translation as a more appropriate course. For Translation Studies (Spanish): we may need to test you to ascertain your language level if you are not doing an A Level in Spanish. See also p198.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/languages



Studying Spanish at Westminster will equip you with a high level of linguistic competence and a critical understanding of the contemporary Hispanic world. Our classes focus on the active use of Spanish in contemporary, real-life situations. You will be taught by experienced academics with a background in language pedagogy, translation, politics and literature, who deliver highly interesting and challenging classes. Our integrated teaching approach ensures meaningful links with other aspects of your course and will equip you with both the linguistic and cultural skills needed to function in different cultural and professional environments.

Unique to Westminster is the option to study Spanish in combination with Global Communication, see p119 for details. During the optional year abroad, our students study in a range of different cities in Spain or Latin America.

*Foundation available on Spanish and Global Communication or Translation Studies (Spanish) only



GLOBAL COMMUNICATION OPTION

We are very proud of this unique option to study Global Communication with a language. This new programme is designed to improve your ability as an intercultural communicator through analysis of key issues affecting how our ideas are shaped and communicated in a global society, where our interactions are no longer confined by national, regional or cultural boundaries.