# Weber State University Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

# Foreign Language Teaching Majors and Minors

## **Basic Requirements**

Majors must take a total of 36.5 hours (10 courses of upper-division credit in their language plus the methods courses).

Minors must take a total of 21 hours (6 courses of upper-division credit in their language plus the methods courses).

**Both Majors and Minors** must include the following four courses in the total.

- 3060 Grammar and Composition (3)
- 3106 Introduction to Literature (3)
- 3220 Phonetics and Phonology (3)
- FL 4340 Theories of FL Acquisition (3)
- FL 4400 Methods for Teaching FL (3)

#### **Advisors**

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### **Methods Courses**

#### FL 4340 (3)

This course is only offered during the Fall semester and is a prerequisite for FL 4400.

#### FL 4400 (3)

This course is only offered during the Spring semester. All Foreign Language majors and minors must complete it BEFORE they may begin their student teaching. There are four prerequisites for FL 4400.

- 3220 Phonetics and Phonology (3)
- 4340 Theories of FL Acquisition (3)
- ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview
   The department standard is an Advanced Low rating on this test. The interview must be taken though Language Testing International. It takes at least two weeks to schedule an interview and up to a month after that to receive a score.
- ACTFL Written Proficiency Test
   This test must also be arranged through Language Testing International. The department standard is Advanced Low. Results for this test may take even longer than for the OPI.

PLEASE ALLOW PLENTY OF TIME. SCHEDULE THE OPI AND WPT AT LEAST TWO MONTHS BEFORE YOU NEED TO REGISTER FOR FL 4400.

#### **Education Courses**

Students must be admitted to the Teacher Education Program. Completing coursework for the teaching major or minor in Foreign Languages is not contingent upon acceptance into Teacher Education or on completion of TE coursework. State licensure to become a teacher, however, does require completion of both major and minor coursework and the TE program of study.

Teacher Education courses include (for Secondary Education):

#### **Support Courses**

- EDUC 1010 Exploring Teaching (3)
- CHF SS1500 Human Development (3)
   OR PSY 3140 Psychology of Adolescence (3)
- COMM HU1020 Public Speaking (3) OR COMM HU2110 Small Group Communication (3)

#### **Teacher Education Core**

- EDUC DV3200 Foundations of Diversity (3)
- EDUC DV3260 Exceptional Student (3)
- EDUC 3900 Preparing, Teaching and Assessing (3)
- EDUC 3930 Reading & Writing (3)

#### **Student Teaching**

- EDUC 4940 Clinical Practice (8)
- EDUC 4950 Integrated Seminar (4)

# **Student Teaching**

Student Teaching (**EDUC 4940**) is the pinnacle experience in preparation for becoming a teacher. Both majors and minors of Foreign Languages are expected to student teach in their language. All FL student teachers will be observed and evaluated by faculty from the Dept. of Foreign Languages.

Prospective student teachers are responsible for meeting all of the requirements and prerequisites for student teaching. These include:

- FL 4400 (which itself has FL3220, FL4340, the OPI and WPT as prerequisites)
- The Teacher Ed. Core of 12 credit hours.
- Praxis II Exam

It is an absolute requirement that students complete FL 4400 BEFORE they student teach.