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Exploring a Rich Cultural Tapestry

The mission of the Department of Languages and Literatures at SUNY Geneseo is to provide a dynamic and challenging environment where knowledge and appreciation of the world's diverse cultures and principal foreign languages are fostered and enriched.





The department offers:

A B.A. in both French and Spanish and minors in French, German and Spanish.

Coordinates interdisciplinary minors in Central and Eastern European Studies and in Latin American Studies.

Language courses are also available in Arabic, Chinese, Italian, Japanese, Latin and Russian.

Program options leading to provisional New York State certification (N-6 and 7-12).

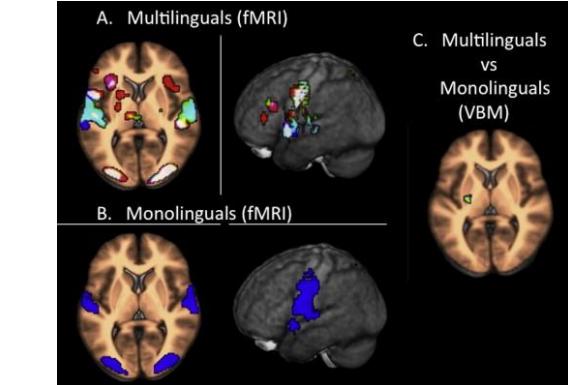
M.S. degree for teachers of French and Spanish are also available.

Some of the Reasons Why You Should Learn a Foreign Language



+Improve your employment potential:

We live in an increasingly globalized world and companies are constantly expanding overseas and dealing with clients from all over the world. Between two candidates with the exact same skill set and experience, the person who is bilingual is arguably much more likely to get the job.



+To have a brain boost:

"We have strong evidence today that studying a foreign language has a ripple effect, helping to improve student performance in other subjects." – *Richard Riley, U.S. Secretary of Education under Bill Clinton.*



+ To communicate with others: "If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart".- *Nelson Mandela*
Former President Of South Africa.