

STAY IN FRENCH

The Bilingual Advantage

Increase your proficiency - become bilingual for life!

French second language programs are designed as building blocks with the highest proficiency outcome expected in Grade 12. As French becomes second nature you will perceive yourself as bilingual.

Enhance your career opportunities in all sectors of the economy

There is a high demand for French in all sectors of the economy: the arts • business • education • government • sciences

81% of employers polled consider bilingual employees to be a valuable asset to their company¹.

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Increase your postsecondary education options

A Grade 12 French credit is required to pursue a growing number of French or bilingual college and university programs.

Visit FrenchStreet.ca² to access a list of post-secondary institutions offering French and bilingual programs.

Increase your opportunities to win scholarships and bursaries

- Le Concours d'art oratoire (on.cpf.ca)
- Concours Immersion Clip (acpl.ca)
- Le Concours national de rédaction (french-future.org)
- FrenchStreet.ca³

Increase your cultural exchanges and work program opportunities

Exchanges:

- FrenchStreet.ca⁴
- ewc-rdc.ca
- iseontario.on.ca
- afscanada.org
- nacel.org

Work:

- myexplore.ca
- ontario.ca/mriyouthprograms
- summer-work.com
- jobs-emplois.gc.ca/fsweb-pfete

French is an official language in Canada and worldwide

Since 1969 French and English are Canada's two official languages.

French is the working language of: UN • NATO • UNESCO • IOC • EU ... Google them!

Federal government hires 5,000 to 6,000 bilingual employees annually

Power pack your resume

Get the edge you need to land your dream job. The federal government expects to hire between 5,000 – 6,000 bilingual employees annually⁵. Of the employers polled, 46% conceded that it was difficult to find bilingual employees¹.

Sharpen your English language skills

The study of French enhances grammar and writing skills which are transferable to the English language⁶.

500 MILLION
people will speak French by 2025

Boost your 21st century communication skills

French is the third most common language on the Internet⁷.

French as a spoken language will be represented by approximately 500 million people by the year 2025⁸.

Develop your cultural sensitivity

Become the kind of person needed in today's world – knowledgeable and appreciative of other people, languages, and cultures.

Develop your critical thinking

Learning a new language develops critical and creative thinking skills, increases problem-solving skills and improves memory⁹.

Graduate with two languages and a sense of accomplishment!



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on.cpf.ca



Sources:
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 (3) Organisation internationale de la Francophonie
 (4) Laval University and the Réseau démographique de L'Agence universitaire de la Francophonie
 (5) American Association of Teachers of French
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