

## World Languages

Communication is one of God’s greatest gifts to mankind. Students study languages not only for enjoyment, adventure and intellectual stimulation, but also to develop a world-view that appreciates all the beauty and diversity in cultures. Classes are taught in the chosen language (French or Spanish) with an emphasis on proficiency in listening, reading, speaking and writing through the use of stimulating class content which incorporates culture, arts, storytelling, literature, music and grammar study.

Proficiency guidelines will dictate placement and advancement in World Language courses at Wheaton Academy. Students will be allowed to advance lanes (i.e. move from the Beginner to the Intermediate lane) based on demonstrated proficiency on a standardized exit exam. Students may remain in a lane for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year in order to gain the necessary proficiency to advance to the next lane.

Two years of Online Chinese meets the World Language college prep recommendation.

<u>Beginner Lane</u>	<u>Intermediate Lane</u>	<u>Advanced Lane</u>	<u>AP Lane</u>
Beginner French	Intermediate French	Advanced French (H)	AP French (H)
Advanced Beginner French	Advanced Intermediate French	Adv. French Literature & Composition (H)	
		Adv. French Film, Culture & Conversation (H)	
Beginner Spanish	Intermediate Spanish	Advanced Spanish (H)	AP Spanish (H)
Advanced Beginner Spanish	Advanced Intermediate Spanish	Adv. Spanish Literature & Composition (H)	
		Adv. Spanish Film, Culture & Conversation (H)	
	Chinese I Online	Chinese II Online	
Latin I Online	Latin II Online	Latin III Online	

### BEGINNER FRENCH

This course is designed for students who have never studied French. Students develop listening, reading, speaking and writing skills. Basic structure and syntax of the language is developed. Grammar is taught in context. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Intermediate French.**

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12      Semesters: 2

### ADVANCED BEGINNER FRENCH

This is a fast-paced course that expands on the basics of the beginner class. It is designed for students who have studied some French, but who wish to gain more proficiency before advancing to the intermediate lane. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Intermediate French.**

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12      Semesters: 2

## *World Languages (continued)*

### INTERMEDIATE FRENCH

This course continues to build on the essential foundational workings of French. Students will work toward intermediate language proficiency in listening, reading, speaking and writing. Grammar is taught in context. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance.**

**Grade Level:** 9, 10, 11, 12      **Semesters:** 2

### ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE FRENCH

Advanced Intermediate French is a continuation of Intermediate French. It is designed for students who have not yet attained intermediate level proficiency. Students will continue to develop the four pillars of language proficiency: listening, reading, speaking and writing. Grammar is taught in context. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Advanced French.**

**Grade Level:** 9, 10, 11, 12      **Semesters:** 2

### ADVANCED FRENCH (H)

This course is taught in French. Students continue to develop listening, reading, speaking and writing skills. Students will read and discuss original literature in French. An emphasis is placed on French literature and culture. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance. See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level:** 10, 11, 12      **Semesters:** 2

### ADVANCED STUDIES IN FRENCH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION (H)

This course is the 1st half of a yearlong study and assumes that students are functional in French. It will focus on refining accuracy in written expression. All four skills are essential elements of any French course and students will continue to develop all skills. The goal of this course, coupled with a semester of film and culture, is to prepare students to succeed in an AP course. **See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level:** 11, 12      **Semesters:** 1 of 2

### ADVANCED STUDIES IN FRENCH FILM, CULTURE/CONVERSATION (H)

This course is the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of a yearlong study in French. It follows *Advanced Studies in Literature and Composition*. Students will continue to develop all four language skills through the study of film with a strong emphasis on conversation. **See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level:** 11, 12      **Semesters:** 2 of 2

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH (H)

Fine points of grammatical structures are reviewed and used in conversation. This course follows a pre-approved syllabus by the College Board. The goal of this course is to prepare students for the French Language AP Exam.

**Prerequisite:** Approval of instructor and a minimum of a "B" average in Advanced Studies. **See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level:** 12      **Semesters:** 2

### BEGINNER SPANISH

This course is designed for students who have never studied Spanish. Students develop listening, reading, speaking and writing skills. Basic structure and syntax of the language is developed. Grammar is taught in context. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Intermediate Spanish.**

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### ADVANCED BEGINNER SPANISH

This is a fast-paced course that expands on the basics of the beginner class. It is designed for students who have studied some Spanish, but who wish to gain more proficiency before advancing into the intermediate lane. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Intermediate Spanish.**

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### INTERMEDIATE SPANISH

This course continues to build on the essential foundational workings of Spanish. Students will work toward intermediate language proficiency in listening, reading, speaking and writing. Grammar is taught in context. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Advanced Spanish.**

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE SPANISH

Advanced Intermediate Spanish is a continuation of Intermediate Spanish. It is designed for students who have not yet attained intermediate level proficiency. Students will continue to develop the four pillars of language proficiency: listening, reading, speaking and writing. Grammar is taught in context. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance to Advanced Spanish.**

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### ADVANCED SPANISH (H)

This course is taught in Spanish. Students continue to develop listening, reading, speaking and writing skills. Students will read and discuss original literature in Spanish. An emphasis is placed on Spanish literature and culture. **Students are required to pass an exit exam with a 70% or better at the end of this course in order to advance. See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level: 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### ADVANCED STUDIES IN SPANISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION (H)

This course is the 1st half of a yearlong study and assumes that students are functional in Spanish. It will focus on refining accuracy in written expression. All four skills are essential elements of any Spanish course and students will continue to develop all skills. The goal of this course, coupled with a semester of film and culture, is to prepare students to succeed in an AP course. **See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level: 11, 12 Semesters: 1 of 2**

### ADVANCED STUDIES IN SPANISH FILM, CULTURE/CONVERSATION (H)

This course is the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of a yearlong study in Spanish. It follows *Advanced Studies in Literature and Composition*. Students will continue to develop all four language skills through the study of film with a strong emphasis on conversation. **See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level: 11, 12 Semesters: 2 of 2**

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH (H)

Fine points of grammatical structures are reviewed and used in conversation. This course follows a pre-approved syllabus by the College Board. The goal of this course is to prepare students for the Spanish Language AP Exam.

**Prerequisite:** Approval of instructor and a minimum of a "B" average in Advanced Studies. **See General Honors/AP Course Requirements on page 16.**

**Grade Level: 12 Semesters: 2**

## *World Languages (continued)*

### **LATIN I ONLINE**

The purpose of this course is to give you a foundation in Latin grammar and vocabulary. This course will also acquaint you with Olympic gods and with the everyday life of the Roman man-in-the-street. *There is an additional charge for this class.*

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### **LATIN II ONLINE**

The purpose of this course is to enable students to enhance their proficiency in the foundations of Latin vocabulary and grammar and to expand their knowledge of classical culture. Students will develop communication in Latin using reading, writing, speaking, and listening strategies. They will also enhance their perspectives, practices, and products of classical culture. *There is an additional charge for this class.*

**Prerequisite:** Latin I

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### **LATIN III ONLINE**

Students will learn to communicate in Latin using reading, writing, speaking, and listening strategies. They will demonstrate understanding of perspectives, practices, and products of classical culture as well as apply knowledge of the Latin language and classical culture to further knowledge of other disciplines. Students will learn how the Latin language and classical culture have influenced various aspects of modern society. *There is an additional charge for this class.*

**Prerequisites:** Latin I and II

**Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### **CHINESE I ONLINE**

This is a beginning level course that will introduce the student to a variety of areas of Chinese (Simplified). Students will learn listening, speaking, reading and writing skills through activities that are based on pedagogically proven methods of foreign language instruction. Throughout the five units of material (Places, Family, Food, Activities, and School), students learn to express themselves using an ever increasing vocabulary. Grammar is introduced and practiced in innovative and interesting ways with a variety of learning styles in mind. Culture is sprinkled throughout the course in an attempt to help the learner focus on the Chinese speaking world and their culture, people, geographical locations and histories. The course is aligned to the national Foreign Language standards. *There is an additional charge for this class.*

**Prerequisites:** 2 years of a World Language

**Grade Level: 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**

### **CHINESE II ONLINE**

As a continuation of the Chinese I, students will continue to sharpen listening, speaking, reading and writing skills through activities that are based on pedagogically proven methods of foreign language instruction. Students learn to express themselves using an ever-increasing vocabulary, present-tense verbs, past-tense verbs, articles, and adjectives. Grammar is introduced and practiced in innovative and interesting ways with a variety of learning styles in mind. Culture is sprinkled throughout the course in an attempt to engage the learner focus on the Chinese-speaking world and their culture, people, geographical locations and histories. *There is an additional charge for this class.*

**Prerequisites:** 2 years of a World Language, Chinese I

**Grade Level: 10, 11, 12 Semesters: 2**