Our Mission

MIT Global Languages is an academic unit in the School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (SHASS). The core mission of Global Languages is to prepare students to be engaged global citizens, ready to live and work in an increasingly globalized and multicultural world.

Whether majoring in the sciences, engineering, management, or other fields, today’s students need to be equipped to work in the global context. Global Languages provides a wealth of coursework in language and cultural studies—promoting the critical thinking and communication skills, intellectual curiosity, and cross-cultural understanding that prepare students for this new environment.

HASS and CI-H Subjects Taught in English

• Satisfy HASS and Communications Requirements (CI-H)
• No pre-requisites

Fall 2020
21G.024 Linguistic Study of Bilingualism, HASS-S, CI-H
21G.030 Intro to East Asian Cultures: From Zen to K-Pop, HASS-H
21G.046 Modern Chinese Fiction and Cinema, HASS-H, CI-H
21G.056 The “Making” of Modern Europe: 1789 to Present, HASS-H
21G.057 Gender, Race, and Environmental Justice, HASS-S
21G.058 Race and Migration in Europe, HASS-S, CI-H
21G.064 Intro to Japanese Culture HASS-H, CI-H
21G.065 Japanese Literature and Cinema, HASS-H, CI-H
21G.087 Introduction to Russian Studies, HASS-H

Spring 2021
21G.029 City Living: Ethnographies of Urban Worlds, HASS-S
21G.036 Advertising and Media: Comparative Perspectives, HASS-H
21G.038 China in the News: The Untold Stories, HASS-H, CI-H
21G.040 A Passage to India, HASS-H
21G.067 Digital Media in Japan and Korea, HASS-H
21G.070 Latin American and the Global Sixties: Counterculture and Revolution, HASS-H, CI-H
21G.084 Introduction to Latin American Studies, HASS-S, CI-H
21G.094 Cinema in Japan and Korea, HASS-A

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2020–2021
CONCENTRATIONS

Do you already have language skills you would like to build on? Do you want to learn a whole new language? Complete your Concentration Requirement in one of these areas:

- Chinese
- English Language Studies
- French
- German
- Japanese
- Korean
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Spanish
- Studies in International Literatures and Cultures (SILC)
- Theory of Language
- Other Languages
  —Languages offered at other universities (Harvard, Wellesley)

In 5 different options:

A. Level I through IV in a language group
B. Level II through IV in a language group
C. Two subjects at Level IV or above, and one more relevant subject in SILC
D. Coursework in two languages Level IV or above, and one subject in Theory of Languages
E. Three SILC subjects that form a coherent unit

Concentration Proposal approval must be obtained by the first week of classes second term junior year.

Contact the appropriate Concentration Advisor for more information or to declare a Concentration!

MINOR PROGRAMS

Take your language skills to the next level and satisfy HASS and CI-H requirements by advancing a Concentration into a Minor

- Chinese
- French
- German
- Japanese
- Spanish

6 subjects typically distributed among Tier I (beginner), Tier II (intermediate), and Tier III (advanced)

5 out of these 6 subjects can be applied to HASS requirement

1 of these 5 subjects can apply to HASS Distribution (H, S, or A)

MAJOR PROGRAMS

Attain fluency and prepare to be an engaged global citizen ready to live and work in a dynamic, culturally diverse world

- French
- German
- Spanish

11 subjects beginning at Level III (or higher), including 2 CI-M subjects, and 8-9 upper-level subjects

6 subjects can be applied to the 8-subject HASS requirement

Flexible for double majors

To view sample road maps for double majors and minor with 21G and other STEM courses, visit out website at: mitgsl.mit.edu/academics

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