Minor Programmes in French, German, and Japanese

Aims
The aims of the Minor Programmes are to:
- better prepare students for their careers
- make them more competitive in the job market
- enrich their intellectual and cultural development

Learning Outcomes
Students will gain:
- a solid linguistic foundation as well as cultural knowledge in the target language
- the ability to communicate effectively in most everyday situations in the target language
- effective foreign language learning strategies which will enable them to continue their language learning after leaving university

Eligibility
All UGC-funded students

Content
Each minor programme will consist of a total of 15 units. The lists of courses under each programme are as follows:

French Language Minor
Required Courses:
- FREN 1610 French I
- FREN 1620 French II
- FREN 2620 French III

Elective Courses:
- Two of the following courses:
  - FREN 2630 French IV
  - FREN 3620 French V
  - FREN 3630 Contemporary French Society Through its National Cinema

German Language Minor
Required Courses:
- GERM 1610 German I
- GERM 1620 German II
- GERM 2620 German III

Elective Courses:
- Two of the following courses:
  - GERM 2630 German IV
  - GERM 3630 Business German
  - GER 3640 Creative Writing in German

Japanese Language Minor
Required Courses:
- JPN 1010 Japanese I
- JPN 1020 Japanese II
- JPN 2010 Japanese III

Elective Courses:
- Two of the following courses:
  - JPN 2020 Japanese IV
  - JPN 3010 Japanese V
  - JPN 3610 Business Japanese

Remarks
Students in the French Stream of the BScSc (Hons) in European Studies programme are not allowed to claim the Minor in the French Language while those of the German Stream are not allowed to claim the Minor in the German Language.
**French**

**Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- FREN 1610 French I
- FREN 1620 French II
- FREN 2620 French III
- FREN 2630 French IV
- FREN 3620 French V

These courses will help you:
- produce everyday conversations in French
- understand the French culture
- write in French by applying its grammatical rules

FREN 3630 Contemporary French Society Through its National Cinema

This course will help you:
- explore the French culture through movies
- critically analyse some major current events

**Non Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- SUPF 1010 French I (A)
- SUPF 1020 French I (B)
- SUPF 1030 Introduction to French Language & Culture

In the "Introduction to French Language & Culture" course, you will:
- learn how to communicate effectively in French
- learn some basic French grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, and culture

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**German**

**Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- GERM 1610 German I
- GERM 1620 German II
- GERM 2620 German III
- GERM 2630 German IV
- GERM 3630 Business German
- GERM 3640 Creative Writing in German

In these courses, you will learn:
- the linguistic and communicative skills needed to facilitate your reading, listening, writing, and speaking in German.

GERM 3630 Business German

This course will help you:
- understand more about German businesses and their cultures
- further develop your speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills

GERM 3640 Creative Writing in German

In this course, you will:
- explore creative writing in three primary genres: short stories, poetry and drama
- write, discuss and revise your work in each genre

**Non Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- SUPG 1010 German I (A)
- SUPG 1020 German I (B)
- SUPG 2070 Start Deutsch 1 Preparation Course

At the end of the course, you will be:
- better prepared for taking the Start test
- able to do oral presentations in German

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**Japanese**

**Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- JPN 1010 Japanese I
- JPN 1020 Japanese II
- JPN 2010 Japanese III
- JPN 2020 Japanese IV
- JPN 3010 Japanese V

These courses will:
- develop your understanding of the Japanese culture
- enhance your ability to write, speak, and read Japanese through an array of interactive activities

JPN 3610 Business Japanese

This course will:
- develop your interpersonal, interpretive and presentation skills in business communication in Japanese
- prepare you to work in Japanese companies

**Non Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- SUPJ 1010 Japanese I (A)
- SUPJ 1020 Japanese I (B)
- SUPJ 2010 Japanese II (A)
- SUPJ 2020 Japanese II (B)
- SUPJ 3030 Japanese Proficiency Test Preparation Course (Level N4)

The "Japanese Proficiency Test Preparation Course" will help you:
- better prepare for the Proficiency test

SUPJ 2060 Japanese Through Media and Songs

This course will help you:
- learn Japanese through songs and TV commercials in an enjoyable way
- explore the Japanese society through critical thinking

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**Cantonese**

**Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- CANTONESE: SUPE 1030 Cantonese (I)

This course will help you:
- express yourself orally in everyday Cantonese
- understand some colloquial expressions
- construct some simple Cantonese sentences

**Mandarin**

**Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- PUTO 0100 Mandarin for Beginners (I)
- PUTO 1100 Mandarin for Beginners (II)

In these courses, you will learn to:
- read some Chinese characters
- converse in simple Mandarin
- understand the Mandarin phonetic system (sounds and tones)

**Non Credit-Bearing Courses:**
- SUPJ 1010 Chinese I (A)
- SUPJ 1020 Chinese I (B)
- SUPJ 3030 Chinese Proficiency Test Preparation Course (Level N4)

The "Chinese Proficiency Test Preparation Course" will help you:
- better prepare for the Proficiency test

Notes:
1. All courses listed in this leaflet may be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment.
2. All credit-bearing courses are open to UGC-funded undergraduate and postgraduate students as stipulated by the terms of the UGC-funding. Non-credit-bearing foreign language courses are not subsidised by the UGC, and non-UGC-funded students are welcome to enrol in these courses.