Our graduate program offers a vibrant environment for the study of French and Linguistics. Our diverse and award-winning faculty explore French as a native language in its European and North American varieties, as a second language, and as a minority language. Our French-specific training focuses on syntax, semantics, morphology, and phonology, and offers expert guidance in how to meaningfully explore your own passions and interests in such fields as second-language acquisition and pedagogy, cognition, social and dialectal variation, historical change, language contact, endangerment, and revitalization, as well as production and processing.

IU offers competitive financial support packages in the form of fellowships and teaching assistantships, complete with stipends, health insurance, and tuition remission which covers up to 95% of the credit hour fees. We typically offer 5-year packages to students who complete their MA degree and continue on to the PhD. Furthermore, our students are often able to receive an additional year of funding through other University fellowships or assistantships.

Meet Our Faculty

**Laurent Dekydtspotter** (PhD Cornell): Psycholinguistics, second language theory and second language (L2) acquisition

**Kevin Rottet** (PhD Indiana): Language contact, lexicography, endangered languages, pidgins and creoles, Louisiana French, Welsh & Breton

**Kelly Sax** (PhD Indiana): Language pedagogy, L2 acquisition, sociolinguistics

**Albert Valdman** (emeritus; PhD Cornell): Pidgins & creoles, phonology, sociolinguistics, applied linguistics, French outside of France

**Barbara Vance** (PhD Cornell): Syntax, history of French, medieval French & Occitan

Collaborations

The environment at IU-Bloomington facilitates cross-cultural and interdisciplinary study, and emphasizes diversity of perspectives. Our department collaborates with a broad range of on-campus programs, including:

- A large community of linguists, hosting frequent conferences and lectures
- Instruction in 80 different languages, including Haitian Creole
- The Language Conservancy, a group that supports Native American languages
- The Creole Institute, a center specializing in linguistic and educational issues in Haiti, and research and training in applied linguistics of French Creoles
- The Department of Second Language Studies
- The Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences
- The Department of Linguistics
- The Department of Speech & Hearing Sciences
- The Department of Cognitive Science

Life in Bloomington

Bloomington is a diverse, lively, multicultural community with active art and music scenes, a rich history, and a beautiful campus at its center. IU-Bloomington was ranked the 15th most beautiful college campus in the U.S. by Best College Reviews in 2017, and the 4th Best Midwest Food Town by Midwest Living Magazine. Come see all that Bloomington has to offer! Funding is available for accepted applicants to visit campus.

Where will IU take you?

The French Linguistics Program at IU has an excellent placement record for PhD graduates, due both to our excellent pedagogical training and research profile. Some of our recent career placements include:

- University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- New York University
- Arizona State University
- Purdue University
- University of Alberta
- University of Georgia
- George Washington University

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**Deadlines for Fall 2019 Admission:**

- December 1, 2018 (international)
- January 15, 2019 (domestic)