



The Benefits of Learning a Language

Learning another language provides students with professional, cognitive, and academic gains. (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, n.d.).

Learning a critical language as identified by the U.S. Government provides students a competitive edge. Some of these critical languages, which are offered or soon to be offered at HCCC, include Arabic, Korean, Japanese, and Russian (Critical Language Scholarship Program and National Security Education Program, n.d.).



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***Recent report shows that the
"Demand for Bilingual Workers
More than Doubled in Five Years."***

(New American Economy)



**WORLD LANGUAGES &
CULTURE CURRICULUM
AT HCCC**

Our Language & Culture Curriculum at a Glance

- HCCC offers a variety of language courses at various levels- Basic, Intermediate, and for Heritage Speakers.
- Our class schedule is flexible, and sections are offered across various modalities: in-person, remote, and online.
- Students develop cultural appreciation and competence in the target language.



Our language courses are aligned to the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages' (ACTFL) World-Readiness Standards for Learning Languages. These nationally recognized standards are essential because they "create a roadmap to guide learners to develop competence to communicate effectively and interact with cultural understanding" ([actfl.org](https://www.actfl.org))

Students are encouraged to complete a language sequence of at least two semesters (e.g., Basic Spanish I and Basic Spanish II), to increase the likelihood of transfer to a four-year institution.

Language courses serve as a Humanities/ Diversity elective unless the program curriculum states otherwise. Students should contact their academic advisor if they have questions about their program/ certificate requirements or course transferability.

What Language and Culture Courses Are Offered?

American Sign Language

Arabic *

Chinese *

Deafness as a Cultural Experience

French

German (coming soon)

Italian (coming soon)

Japanese*

Korean*

Russian * (coming soon)

Spanish

Basic Spanish with a Healthcare Focus

* The United States government identifies these languages as having a critical language status. The U.S. government provides incentives such as the Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program and the National Security Education Program, for eligible language students.



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