

Understanding another

# *culture & language*

opens minds and opens doors.

ADD A LANGUAGE TO YOUR CURRICULUM



## STUDY A LANGUAGE (OR TWO)

### DO YOU SEE YOURSELF HERE?

I want to:

- Be global: understand and explore other cultures
- Have a competitive advantage in an international employment market
- Explore my own heritage

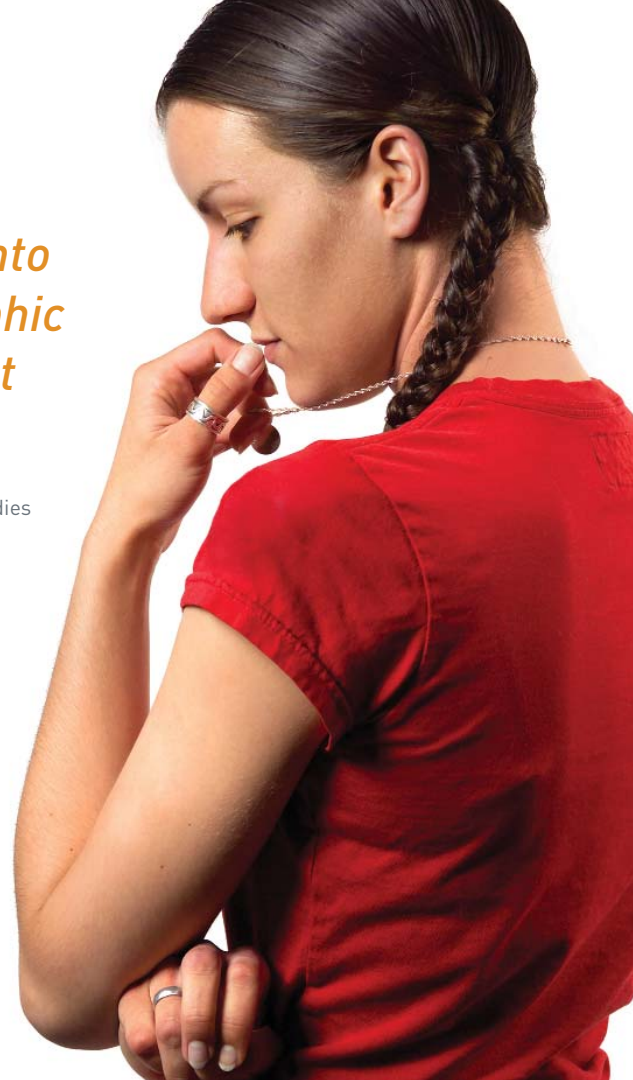


*“To understand a language creates an insider’s view into another ethnographic identity that cannot be translated.”*

**MARY ANNE HECKBERT**, a Canadian studies specialist, has studied French, Objibwe, Oneida and Inuktitut



Our curriculum literally encompasses the globe, including the study of more than 40 languages and cultures and providing opportunities to participate in exchange and study abroad programs with over 80 universities in 30 countries. Further, our student body has a truly international character: U of T is the place where students from around the world meet on common ground to pursue their educational goals.



*“Although knowing another language does not necessarily mean that I will be leaving North America to work in Europe any time soon, it feels good to have such an option. Having options means flexibility: it means that I am not tied to work in one particular county and can take on an international opportunity if it becomes available to me.”*

**ROSS YAKOVLEV**, Commerce specialist, minor in business German



By adding a language to your studies, whatever your major, you are opening the door to exciting career opportunities worldwide. Imagine working for an NGO or aid organization in a foreign land, negotiating with government leaders to broker a peace agreement or dialoguing with CEOs in Asia to build international business networks. For companies expanding into overseas markets, a multilingual workforce is vital. Adding a language or two to your studies may move your resume to the top of the pile. Many language courses offer an emphasis on oral and written communication for the business environment.



*“Once I was in a language class what impressed me the most was the quality of the learning experience. Professor Ambros, my Czech language prof, was willing to give so much...”*

**KATHYRN LALONDE**, History specialist with a minor in Czech and Slovak Studies, with Prof. Veronika Ambros



Franco-Czech author, Milan Kundera



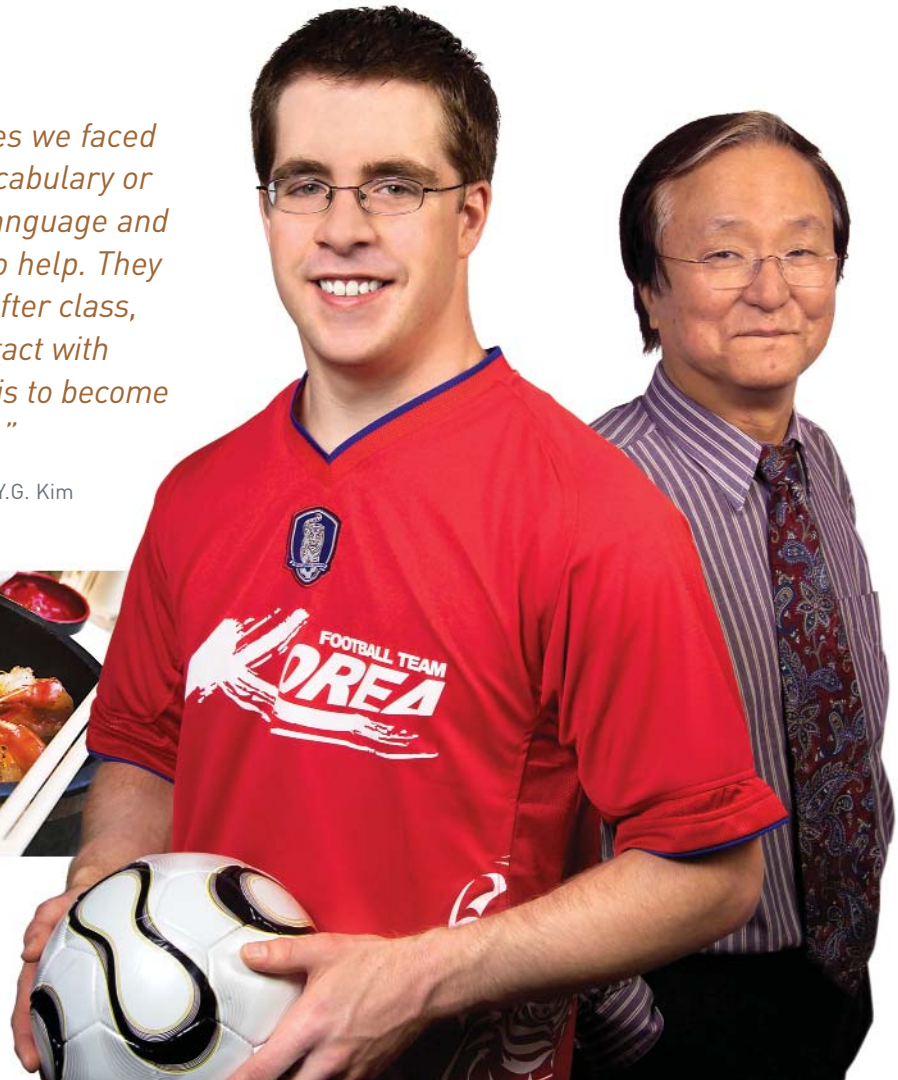
Courses vary from an introduction to a language to an enormous range of more specific topics such as cinema and literature.

*"I found that no matter what challenges we faced as a class, whether pronunciation, vocabulary or difficulty understanding the Korean language and culture, our instructors were eager to help. They were always available for extra help after class, and they even invited us to keep in contact with them after the class finished. My goal is to become a professor of Korean history in Korea."*

**SEAN DENNY**, East Asian Studies specialist, with Prof. Y.G. Kim



Almost all of our language classes are small: most have fewer than 20 students.



*"The most significant experience for me during my study abroad in Mexico was staying with a local family. I still keep in touch with them and I plan to return to Guadalajara to see them again. Learning their family dynamics, helping them make traditional meals, having family time watching movies or just talking, going to the market for groceries. All of these things made my experience so much better."*

**KATE ORGILL**, combined specialist in linguistics and Spanish



» The University of Toronto has study abroad and international exchange opportunities available in more than 30 countries including: Australia, Austria, Barbados, Chile, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Scotland, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, Trinidad and Tobago, United States.

The city of Toronto is an international experience in itself. It is one of the most linguistically diverse cities in North America with more than 100 languages represented. As a result, Toronto provides a rich milieu of cultural and linguistic opportunities for students – all within steps of the downtown campus.



# UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO OFFERS AN UNBEATABLE RANGE OF LANGUAGE CHOICES\*

## Aboriginal Studies

Inuktitut  
Iroquoian-Oneida  
Ojibway

## African Studies

Swahili

## Celtic Studies

Old, Middle, and Modern  
Irish  
Scottish Gaelic  
Old, Middle, and Modern  
Welsh

## Centre for Medieval Studies

Latin  
Old English  
Old and Middle Welsh  
Old and Middle Irish  
Old Norse-Icelandic

## Classics

Ancient Greek  
Latin

## East Asian

Chinese  
Classical Chinese  
Japanese  
Classical Japanese  
Korean  
Sanskrit  
Vietnamese

## English

Old English

## French

French

## Germanic Languages and Literatures

German  
Yiddish

## Italian Studies

Italian

## Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations

Akkadian  
Ancient Egyptian  
Arabic  
Aramaic/Syriac  
Coptic  
Hebrew  
Persian  
Turkish

## Slavic Languages and Literatures

Bosnian  
Croatian  
Czech  
Macedonian  
Old Church Slavonic  
Polish  
Russian  
Serbian  
Ukrainian

## *Finnno-Ugric Studies*

- Estonian
- Finnish
- Hungarian

## South Asian Studies

Bengali  
Hindi  
Tamil


## Spanish and Portuguese

Catalan  
Portuguese  
Spanish

## Study of Religion

Sanskrit  
Tibetan

\* not all languages are offered every year.



*“Studying any language is a way of stretching your mind to think in a new way. It opens you up to ways of structuring your thinking for which there is often nothing equivalent in your prior experience.”*

**ANDRA STRIOWSKI**, Classics and Greek



There are as many reasons to study a language as there are languages to study. Any one (or two) will enrich your academic experience, your mind and your life. Add languages to your university curriculum.

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