

About us



French Studies at Birmingham is long-established and well-reputed, with world-class research. You will be taught and supervised by **international scholars** (</schools/lcahm/departments/french/staff/index.aspx>) with a wide range of expertise.

We came top of the table of Russell Group and 1994 Institutions in the 2009 National Student Survey, with an 'overall satisfaction' score of 97%. In the 2014 survey, 97% of students said that staff were good at explaining things, 94% said that their academics were enthusiastic about what they were teaching and 90% agreed that the course was intellectually stimulating.

Over 75% of research in the Department of Modern Languages has been judged to be 'world-leading' or 'internationally excellent'. This is the result of the national Research Excellence Framework exercise, which assessed research publications and the public impact of research carried out in all universities in the UK 2008-2014.



French Studies will change the way you think about France and French culture. In fact, it will change the way you think - full stop.

We are the largest of the sections of the **Department of Modern Languages** (</schools/lcahm/index.aspx>) at the University of Birmingham. In total, we have around 600 students enrolled on the wide range of **undergraduate** (</schools/lcahm/departments/french/undergraduate/index.aspx>) and **postgraduate degree programmes** (</schools/lcahm/departments/french/postgraduate/index.aspx>) that we offer.

Our staff have diverse **research interests** (</schools/lcahm/departments/french/research/index.aspx>) which means we are able to offer a very broad syllabus. In addition to a strong emphasis on practical language work, we also have specialists in literature, film, contemporary history and politics and cultural studies. Our aim is to put our students at the centre of the learning process and we put great emphasis on small group teaching and student-led seminars.

We have an active student society that organises meals out, visits to see French films, cultural and sporting events and an annual trip to France during the second semester.