

# SLC at a Glance

**PURDUE**  
UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

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## SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

### LANGUAGES TAUGHT

Arabic	Italian
Chinese	Japanese
French	Latin
German	Portuguese
Greek (Ancient)	Russian
Hebrew (Biblical & Modern)	Spanish

### MAJORS

Classical Studies  
French  
German  
Japanese  
Russian  
Spanish

### FACULTY

39 faculty members

**ENROLLMENT:** circa

5,000 students annually  
Undergraduate Majors: 249  
Minors: 912  
Graduate Students: 92

### INTERDISCIPLINARY MAJORS

Asian Studies  
Comparative Literature  
Film & Video Studies  
Italian Studies  
Jewish Studies  
Linguistics  
Women's Studies  
Philosophy & Literature (Ph.D.)

### MINORS

Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese,  
Latin American & Latino Studies, Portuguese, Russian,  
Spanish

### INTERDISCIPLINARY MINORS

Asian Studies, Asian American Studies, Classical Studies,  
Film Studies, Jewish Studies, Linguistics

### GRADUATE PROGRAMS

M.A. programs are offered in French, German, Japanese  
and Spanish (linguistics or literature) and Applied Linguistics/  
Foreign Language Acquisition.

Ph.D. programs are available in French, German, Spanish  
(linguistics or literature) and Applied Linguistics/  
Foreign Language Acquisition. SLC also participates in curriculum  
for the M.A. and Ph.D. in Comparative Literature.

### SPECIAL AWARDS

Prof. Robert Channon received the award for Distinguished  
Service to the American Association of Teachers of Slavic and  
East European Languages in 2011.

The Murphy Award is the highest teaching award at Purdue  
University. The following SLC faculty members have won this  
award: Keith Dickson (Classics), Becky Brown (French),  
Patricia Hart (Spanish), Benjamin R. Lawton (Italian) and  
Nick Rauh (Classics).

The French government has awarded the prestigious  
*Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques* (Order of  
Academic Palms) to three current and former French  
faculty members: Paul Benhamou, Thomas F. Broden and  
Sidney Pellissier.

### PUBLICATIONS

The faculty of SLC has published 79 books, 209 book  
chapters and 458 journal articles. The following publica-  
tions originate in SLC: *Global Business Languages*, *Pur-  
due Studies in Romance Literatures*, *Proceedings of the  
Association for Japanese Literary Studies*, *Espeho*.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Re-Visioning Terrorism Conference (September 2011),  
Midwest Regional Chinese Speech Contest, Graduate  
Symposium, World Film Forum, Linguistic Graduate Sym-  
posium, Coffee & Conversation Hours.

### PARTNERSHIPS

The Confucius Institute at Purdue promotes Chinese  
programs and studies on China as well as fosters Chinese  
language and cultural programs to serve Purdue and the  
community.

SLC partners with the Goethe Institute to offer classes and  
a test site for the Certificate in German for the Professions  
(ZDfB).

Prof. Atsushi Fukada has developed and patented technol-  
ogy that helps students learn a foreign language through  
monitored individualized lessons performed outside  
the classroom setting. His Speak Everywhere program  
is available for licensing or commercialization, and his  
start-up company in West Lafayette is called e-Language  
Learning LLC.

### DEPARTMENT RANKINGS

The department is proud to be recognized in the recently  
released rankings by the National Research Council.  
Among the fields surveyed, taking an average of the mul-  
tiple criteria used to rate programs, the Spanish depart-  
ment at Purdue ranked #18 of the 59 graduate Spanish  
programs included. This is in the top third of all programs  
studied.

### STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

Montpellier, France  
Freiburg, Germany  
Ibaraki, Nagoya, Sendai,  
& Tokyo, Japan  
Florence, Italy  
Madrid, Spain