# UBC GRADUATE PROGRAM IN FRENCH STUDIES

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Our MA and PhD programs delve into the languages, literatures, and cultures of France, Québec and the Francophone world in an environment that celebrates intellectual curiosity and freedom of inquiry. Our diverse team of nationally and internationally recognized faculty specialize in a variety of interdisciplinary research, blending French Studies with History, Visual Arts, Gender Studies, Linguistics and more. Our hands-on approach to mentorship and vibrant community are frequently cited as top contributing factors to the success of our graduate students.

We offer unique opportunities for academic and professional development that are not commonly offered elsewhere, including guaranteed Teaching Assistant positions and an optional *co-tutelle* doctoral program. 75% of graduates from our PhD program have successfully landed careers in academia, while many MA graduates have secured positions at junior colleges, nonprofits and the public sector, in addition to pursuing further doctoral studies at renowned universities.

Join us in exploring how language and literature not only express, but transform the cultures that shape us—globally, locally and personally.

# **FACULTY OF ARTS**

The Faculty, which is at the centre of one of North America's best research-intensive universities, produces internationally engaged, world-leading scholarship across the humanities, social sciences and the creative and performing arts. The excellence of the faculty is reflected in its outstanding performance in research grant success (raising over \$20 million dollars in funding anually) and high profile publications, exhibitions, and performances.

Graduate students are a key part of our success and we provide millions of dollars in funding for graduate students in the form of University and Faculty funded scholarships.



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**Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies** 



# **CUTTING-EDGE RESEARCH**

From Medieval French literature to 21<sup>st</sup>-century Francophone cultures, we offer solid academic training through a variety of innovative courses, research clusters, reading groups, and research seminars. Students may participate or even lead these initiatives, both in the department and in interdisciplinary centres, such as Green College, the Public Humanities Hub, and the Liu Institute for Global Issues. In addition, our *co-tutelle* doctoral program gives students the opportunity to work with two supervisors—one from UBC and one from a French partner institution—and earn a PhD degree with a parchment from each university.

#### PAID POSITIONS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Graduate students may earn an income through Teaching Assistantships and potential Research Assistantships. We provide a comprehensive Teaching Assistant training program, as well as academic and professional development workshops—on grant writing, publishing, and conference attendance, among other topics—to help graduate students diversify their skillset and make an impact on society.

#### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Our biennial Graduate Student Conference, organized by graduate students with the assistance of faculty members, offers a platform to share research with the wider academic community, network with local and international peers, and plan large-scale academic events. Our annual Graduate Student Symposium allows graduate students to present their research to the department. Graduate students may also volunteer as tutors at the Learning Centre to help undergraduate students become proficient in the languages that are taught. In addition, our Cultural Club encourages students to discuss noteworthy social and cultural phenomena with our community, engaging with current debates in our disciplines.

#### LIFE IN VANCOUVER

Learning at UBC means enjoying a superb campus in one of the planet's truly spectacular regions—beautiful British Columbia. Vancouver is BC's cosmopolitan urban centre, providing a temperate climate, safe streets, a vibrant arts and cultural scene, and a welcoming, culturally diverse population. If you are from outside Canada, you probably already have a positive impression of our country—a peaceful, progressive society that welcomes all ethnicities, nationalities, and creeds into its cultural fabric.

"Of all the programs in the region, UBC's was the most attractive to me with its diverse and dynamic faculty. They offered me a great deal of support, direction and hands-on mentoring—as well as friendship."

- Jesse Barker, PhD Graduate, FHIS

# **ADMISSIONS**

For more details about admission requirements, please visit our website at **fhis.ubc.ca/graduate-studies** or contact us at **fhis.grad@ubc.ca** 

#### **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

We offer a variety of financial aid options, including multi-year funding packages, entrance scholarships, tuition awards, and a Graduate Student Travel Grant to attend conferences abroad.

All doctoral students are guaranteed a minimum funding package of \$18,000 per year for the first five years of fulltime study. The Dorothy Dallas Doctoral Fellowship is awarded to meritous students specializing in 17<sup>th</sup>- or 18<sup>th</sup>-century French literature.

## **GRAD SCHOOL AT UBC**

UBC offers over 300 master's and doctoral programs in nearly every academic field imaginable.

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# THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

UBC is one of the world's great public universities, encouraging bold thinking, curiosity and initiative, so our students can realize their greatest potential. We hold a reputation for excellence in advanced research and learning, supported by world-class faculty, students and research facilities across all major academic disciplines.