

Title of the study programme:	French Philology
State code of the study programme:	612R10001
Study cycle:	First Cycle studies
Type of the study programme:	Bachelor studies
Study area:	Humanities
Group of study fields:	Philology
Study field (code):	French philology (R100)
Qualification degree awarded:	Bachelor in French philology
Mode of studies:	Full-time
Length of the study programme (in years):	4
Study programme volume in credits:	240
Total student's workload (in hours):	6400
Contact hours:	2360
Self-study hours:	4040
Language(s) of instruction:	Lithuanian
Aim of the study programme:	To provide students with a sound basis in linguistics and literary theory, to develop communicative abilities in French (C1-C2), understanding of the culture of France and French-speaking countries and ability to analyse and evaluate the phenomena of French language and culture in a broader context of linguistics and literary theory. Students are taught to think critically, study independently, communicate and cooperate in a multicultural environment. During internship and professional placement students will acquire the basics of translation, research and French language teaching methods.
Study programme generic competencies developed:	Ability to work and study autonomously applying the gained knowledge in practical situations. Analytical and critical thinking. Proficiency in the national and in a second language. Intercultural competence and teamwork under application of ethical values. Learning orientation and quality orientation. Creativity.
Study programme subject specific competencies developed:	Critical linguistic knowledge and skills. Understanding and analysing the system of French at different levels. Critical literary knowledge and skills. Understanding and analysing French and francophonic literature. Understanding the culture of the French-speaking countries. French language communication skills (C1-C2). Proficiency in the Lithuanian language. Ability to carry out linguistic/literary research. Ability to use philological knowledge and skills in practical situations in and outside the University.
Study programme learning outcomes:	Graduates will be able to understand linguistic and literary concepts, carry out philological research, analyze the system of French at different levels, establish comparisons between French and Lithuanian, analyze French literature in the context of European literature, compare different cultures, effectively communicate in French (C1-C2), understand, create and edit texts of various genres in French, translate and interpret from/to French and will demonstrate basic skills in teaching French as a foreign language. Other skills include autonomous and team learning and work; analyzing, systematizing and evaluating information; communicating in an intercultural environment; critical self-evaluation and continuous learning.
Content of the study programme: course unit groups:	French philology studies include linguistics, language communication (understanding, writing and translating texts), literature and culture. The ability to carry out linguistic/literary research is developed by writing and defending the BA thesis (20 credits in total). The practical training (15 credits in total) is available as the following options: translation, research-related practice (corpus linguistics), teaching French as a foreign language. Optional courses in French language, linguistic and literature (at least 35 per cent of the major study field) as well as general university education enable the students to individualise their studies. In addition, the students have the opportunity to choose a minor study field (60 credits) starting in their second year and obtain a double degree or study various course units (in the major or other study fields as well as general university education) according to their fields of interests.

Distinctive features of the study programme:	The strengths of the degree programme are the all-round studies in French philology that cover the French language, linguistics, literature and culture at different levels (from theoretical knowledge to its application in practical situations, analysis, synthesis and evaluation) as well as research integration which ensures a solid education.
Teaching and learning methods:	The studies are student-oriented. Contact hours make approximately 35 per cent of the total student's workload. The curriculum includes lectures, seminars, practical classes, internship and professional placement, as well as independent work. Apart from classical lectures, active learning methods are used, including interactive lectures, problem-solving, etc. Seminars and practical classes are given to small groups (about 16 students) using student-oriented methods such as brainstorming, group discussions, presentations and reading (individual and in pairs). A lot of attention is devoted to independent studies: essay and term paper writing, using IT, feedback and peer-review. Students have internship at the university and professional placement outside the university (in translation bureaus, publishing houses, editorial offices, schools, etc.). A report is submitted at the end of the work placement period. The preparation of the final thesis includes empirical linguistic or literary research.
Assessment methods:	Written (or written and oral) examination, continuous and cumulative assessment (of essays, presentations, research papers and other assignments), assessment of the submitted work placement report, assessment of the presentation on the final thesis and its defense. The student's achievements are assessed using the grading scale from 1 (very poor) to 10 (excellent).
Graduation thesis or/and final examinations:	The study programme is concluded by the defence of a BA thesis.
Access to further studies:	After completing the study programme of French Philology graduates can continue studies in numerous Master study programmes in the field of humanities, first of all, in the group of philology, including interpretation and translation, general or applied linguistics, literary anthropology and culture, inter-medial literary studies, semiotics, etc., as well as in some Master study programmes in the field of social sciences.
Employability:	The acquired competences enable graduates to work in translation bureaus, editorial offices, publishing houses, travel agencies, foreign representative offices and other institutions. Graduates who have completed minor studies in pedagogy can work as French language teachers.
Chair of the study Programme Committee:	Dr. (HP) Vytautas Bikulčius