

## Why FRENCH?

French is the only language other than English spoken on five continents. French and English are the only two global languages. French, along with English, is the official working language of :

- The United Nations
- The International Olympic Committee
- The International Red Cross
- The Council of Europe
- The European Court of Justice

## FRENCH HIGHER

### Entry Requirements

This is at the discretion of the school/college but you would normally be expected to have attained one of the following: **French National 5** at grades A or B

### Content of the course

In this course you will develop your reading, listening, talking and writing skills in French in the contexts of

- SOCIETY
- LEARNING
- EMPLOYABILITY
- CULTURE

You will learn to understand and use detailed and complex language, and will need a good understanding of grammar, particularly using different tenses.

Higher pupils are expected to regularly support their learning in class with revision and practice at home, and should be able to work independently.

### ASSESSMENT

#### **Course Assignment—Writing**

You will produce a piece of discursive writing of 200-250 words, in French, using detailed and complex language, in response to a stimulus in English. This will be prepared, and carried out in class, and you will be given the opportunity to improve your work. The assignment is marked externally by the SQA. The assignment is worth 12.5% of the final grade.

#### **Course Assessment — Performance, Talking**

Candidates take part in a discussion with the teacher in French, covering at least 2 of the contexts above. You will be required to answer questions using detailed and complex language, giving opinions. The discussion lasts around 10 minutes. The talking performance exam is carried out in school and marked by the class teacher, subject to verification by the SQA. It is worth 25% of the final grade.

#### **SQA Examinations**

You will sit external examinations, marked by the SQA on:

- Reading skills (worth 25%),
- Writing Skills (worth 12.5%)
- Listening Skills (worth 25%).



## FACULTY OF MODERN LANGUAGES

### **Modern Languages Staff :**

Miss D Grenet  
Mrs J Phelan  
Miss S Thiel

### **Career Areas:**

Languages are useful in many business sectors:

- Hospitality and Tourism
- Engineering / oil and gas
- Financial sector
- Marketing and global sales
- Science and conservation
- Secretarial / business management
- Journalism / broadcasting
- Sports
- The Arts
- Teaching
- Interpreting / translating
- Diplomatic service / Armed forces

### **Courses in Turriff Academy**

National 4 French  
National 5 French  
Higher French  
Advanced Higher French

National 4 German  
National 5 German  
Higher German  
Advanced Higher German

### **Useful websites to help you with your choices:**

[www.myworldofwork.co.uk](http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk)  
[www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk](http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk)

*Further advice and information on these options is available from your subject teacher, guidance teacher and careers adviser.*