

CAREERS INFORMATION



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

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

OTHER INFORMATION

STAFF

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English is NOT enough!

Together we must help Scotland's youngsters realise that "English is enough" is a dangerously misleading myth.

Modern Languages Excellence Report
(SCILT, 2011)

Modern Languages

National 4 French



TURRIFF ACADEMY

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INFORMATION

Why choose to continue to study languages?

As well as being a fun and motivating experience, learning languages boosts brainpower. Learning a language can help provide:

- A better understanding of their mother tongue, which in turn has a positive effect on literacy.
- Intercultural understanding,
- Empathy, tolerance and appreciation of diversity.
- Better critical thinking skills

Learning a language can delay the symptoms of dementia by up to five years, as well as aid recovery after a stroke.

- and is very good for business.

Why FRENCH?

French is the only language other than English spoken on five continents. French and English are the 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

Purpose of the National 4 course

This course offers you the chance to develop skills in reading, listening, talking and writing in French, important for learning, work and life. You will also learn to understand how language works and how to get across information and ideas. You will study a wide range of different types of texts in different

Course Outline

Entry to the course:

The school or college will decide on the entry requirements for the course. You would normally have achieved: **CfE Level 3 French**

Course content:

The course has **two compulsory units, plus an added value** unit that assesses your practical skills

• **Understanding Language**

In this unit you will develop reading and listening skills in French and develop your knowledge of straightforward French in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

• **Using Language**

In this unit you will develop talking and writing skills in French and also develop your knowledge of straightforward French in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

• **Added Value Unit: French Assignment**

In this unit you will select relevant information from at least two written texts, make a spoken presentation in French, and respond appropriately to questions in

ASSESSMENT

French.

- Your teacher or tutor will assess your work on an on-going basis throughout the course. Items of work might include:
 - ⇒ practical work – reading, speaking or listening to texts
 - ⇒ written work – producing straightforward

FURTHER COURSES IN TURRIFF ACADEMY

In S4/5/6:

National 5 French
Higher French
Advanced Higher French

National 4 German
National 5 German
Higher German
Advanced Higher German

PROGRESSION

Successful completion of this course may lead to:

- **further study and training** (French National 5)
- **employment opportunities** (see over)
- or simply the **enjoyment of a fuller cultural and linguistic experience** when travelling in a French speaking country.

The reality of today's world of work

- ⇒ Only 6% of world population are native English speakers. 75% don't speak English at all
- ⇒ Language skills are needed at all levels in the workforce, and not simply by an internationally mobile elite.
- ⇒ Only around one third of businesses have no need at all for foreign language skills in their employees – and this is likely to decrease in future. (SCILT)
- ⇒ The French are leading manufacturers of TV sets, electronic equipment and also cars
- ⇒ The French are furthermore leaders in medical genetics, aerospace and research on high energy physics. This provides unlimited career opportunities on our door