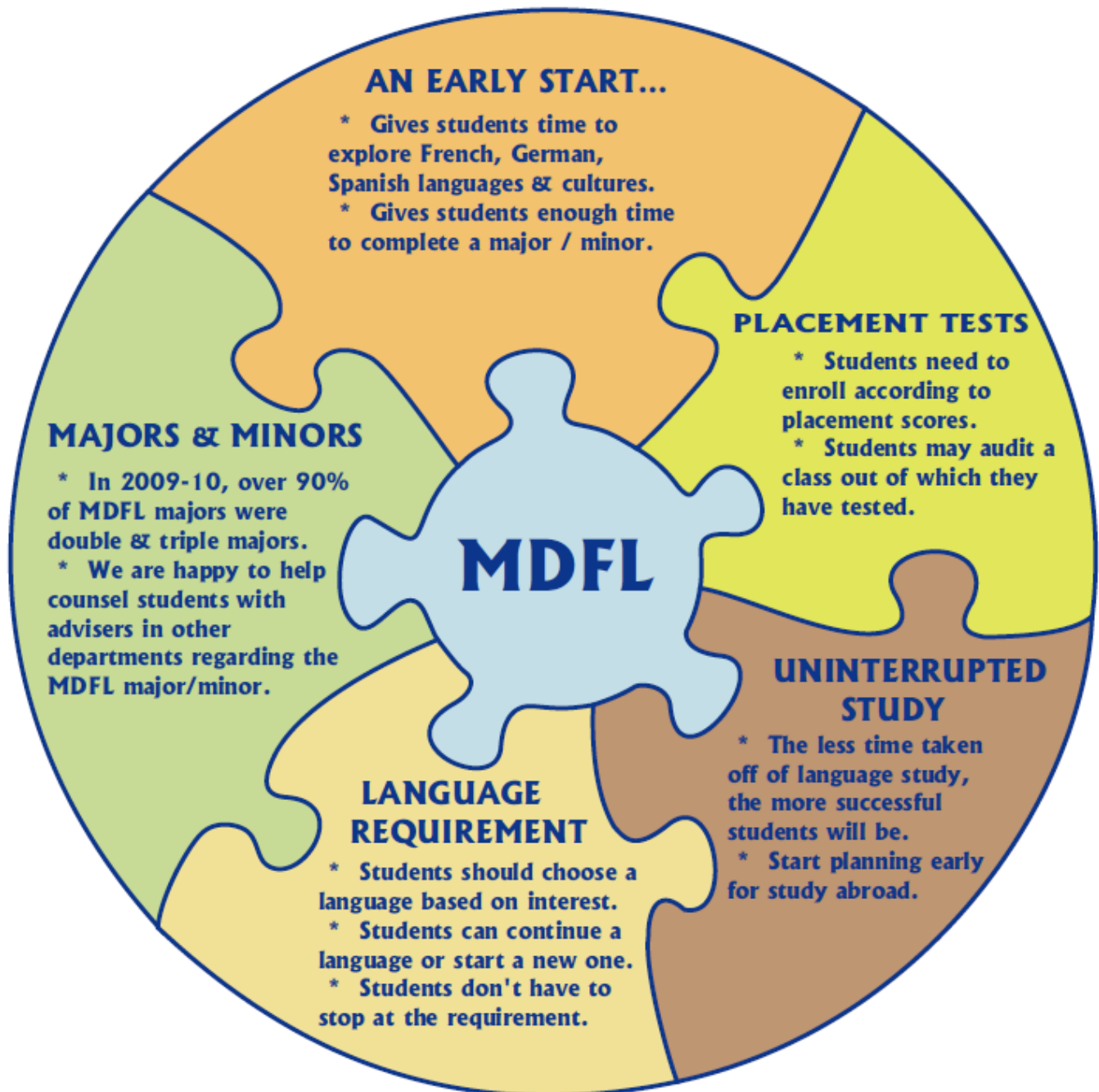


MDFL STUDENT ADVISING

Department of Modern Foreign Languages



Your Passport to the World

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Language Requirement

Q: Should I fulfill the language requirement by taking classes in a language that I previously studied?

A: *YES! If you had a positive experience. Otherwise, students are encouraged to consider beginning a new language, perhaps something not offered in their high school.*

Placement Tests

Q: What do my placement results mean?

A: *Your placement score indicates the course in which you will continue your study of the foreign language.*

Q: Can I get credit if I test out of one or more language classes?

A: *YES. Students who place into Introduction II or higher AND who complete the course indicated by the placement exam with a grade of C- or higher are eligible to obtain credits for courses they tested out of by paying a small per-course fee. Students need only purchase those credits if they are needed to complete the 130 credit hour minimum requirement.*

Q: Are some incoming students not required to take a foreign language placement exam?

A: *YES. Students with an AP score of at least 3 or students with no prior experience in a foreign language are not required to sit a placement exam.*

Majors and Minors

Q: I already have a non-MDFL major; can I add a foreign language minor or major?

A: *YES! Over 90% of MDFL majors are double and triple majors in a variety of disciplines AND the vast majority graduate in 4 years!*

Q: If I have a major in another discipline can I also have an advisor in MDFL?

A: *YES! We encourage students to select designate a MDFL advisor in addition to any advisor they may have in another department.*

Study Abroad

Q: I'm interested in studying abroad; where do I start?

A: *Begin by speaking with Donn Grinager or Ben Iverson (Director and Assoc. Director of International and Off-Campus Programs) as well as your foreign language instructor about the many options to study abroad in a non-English speaking country. Approximately 3/4th of language majors study abroad.*

Q: Do Augie language instructors ever take students abroad?

A: *Yes! There are January Interim and spring break courses led by MDFL faculty on an occasional basis.*

Tutoring

Q: Is language tutoring available on campus?

A: *YES! Free tutoring is available for students studying first and second year language from junior and senior language majors and other native speakers.*

Additional Questions?

A: *Contact the Department:*

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