INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The Dutch Studies Program offers a comprehensive education in Dutch language, literature, cultural history, and linguistics. Through a broad curriculum of English-taught courses, students study important cultural developments from the medieval towns in Flanders over the Dutch “Golden Age” and the Netherlands’ colonial expansion up to the contemporary multicultural, liberal, and European identity of the Low Countries.

Dutch Studies is a perfect complement for students pursuing a doctoral degree in fields such as History of Art, Southeast Asian Studies, Comparative Literature, German and/or Scandinavian Studies. A Dutch Studies major also offers other opportunities: both the Netherlands and Belgium are part of the top-10 foreign investors in the United States, and are the seat of many international organizations, such as the EU and NATO.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

- Compose the Dutch Studies major according to your personal interests. There are no required courses for the major besides Dutch language courses, which makes it easier to add Dutch Studies as a double major.
- Students who wish to specialize in Dutch Studies are encouraged to enroll in our introductory language course (DUTCH 1), upon which a specific program is elaborated according to the interests of each student.
- Already have an intended major but interested in Dutch Studies? Consider adding a Dutch Studies minor.

I took three Dutch courses with Professor Jeroen Dewulf and Esmée van der Hoeven. Both...are wonderful professors that I felt I could ask for help at any moment, and can confidently say they expanded my knowledge beyond measure.

– Sarah Russell-Cheung, Class of 2018

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Explore the Low Countries in the Summer Abroad course DUTCH 177: The Amsterdam-Brussels Connection.
- Apply for a FLAS award to support your language study.
- Practice speaking Dutch with your peers at the Dutch Studies Coffee Hour.
- Check out the scholarly resources in Dutch Studies in the department library, Dutch Studies Collection, and Sluiter Collection.

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day
Come to UC Berkeley’s annual Open House in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation
Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley orientation program for all new students.

Events
Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit dutch.berkeley.edu for news and updates.

ADVISING

Students can reach the Undergraduate Student Advisor in 5311 Dwinelle Hall or at germanic@berkeley.edu.
DUTCH STUDIES
Bachelor of Arts

FIRST YEAR
- Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans.
- Familiarize yourself with major and college requirements.
- Enroll in L&S and HUM 10 (Compass Courses) and learn about study options in L&S and the Arts & Humanities.

SECOND YEAR
- Complete the lower division prerequisite elementary Dutch language sequence and meet with the advisor to declare the major.
- Review the major guidelines for study abroad.
- Complement your major with a certificate, course thread, or summer minor.

THIRD YEAR
- Explore resources of the BENELUX Program.
- Consider becoming a Golden Bear Orientation Leader and welcome new students to UC Berkeley.
- Work with peers and graduate students in HUM 196: Mentored-Research and Discovery Groups.

FOURTH YEAR
- Practice your language skills while helping others learn in the SLC Language Exchange Program.
- Get support for your thesis project in the Townsend Honors Thesis Workshop.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?
- Jobs and Employers
  - Diplomat
  - International Relations Officer
  - Journalist
  - Museum Curator
  - Translator
  - Tutor

- Graduate Programs
  - Business
  - Comparative Literature
  - Elementary Education
  - German
  - History of Art
  - International Relations
  - Law
  - Medicine
  - Public Administration
  - Public Health
  - Scandinavian Studies
  - Secondary Education
  - Social Work
  - Southeast Asian Studies

Design Your Journey

Connect and build community
- Get 11 mentoring from graduate students with Berkeley Connect and L&S Mentors Program.
- Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at the Student Learning Center.
- Use the resources at the Berkeley Language Center.

Discover your passions
- Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar or student-run DeCal course.
- Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships.
- Explore the Dutch Studies collections in the department library. Dutch Studies Collection, and Sluiter Collection.
- Continue exploring with a Sophomore Seminar. Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course.
- Assist faculty and graduate students in their research through URAP and SMART.
- Build your research skills in HUM W201 Research Bootcamp.

Engage locally and globally
- Attend the Calapalooza student activities fair and get involved with a student organization.
- Find service opportunities through the Public Service Center.
- Explore study, internship, and research abroad options in the Netherlands with Berkeley Study Abroad.
- Contribute to a community organization with an American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course.
- Go on a service-learning trip with the Alternative Breaks Program.
- Check out the Summer Abroad course DUTCH 177: The Amsterdam-Brussels Connection.
- Apply for a leadership position in your student organization.
- Experience life at another UC or college on a visitor and exchange program.
- Study and intern in Washington D.C. with UCDC or Cal in the Capital.
- Apply for the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program.
- Keep pursuing your interests through a fellowship or gap year after graduation.

Reflect and plan your future
- Visit the Career Center and Career Counseling Library.
- Check out the Career Center Yearly Planner.
- Set up a Handshake account and sign up for CareerMail.
- Explore career fields in the Career Connections Networking Series.
- Meet with a Career Center counselor to discuss your career options and goals.
- Shadow alumni during a winter externship.
- Learn about graduate and professional school. See Step-by-Step for planning help.
- Think about doing an internship and attend an internship fair.

Learn about career fields and conduct informational interviews with people in those fields.
- Discuss graduate school options with advisors and professors.
- Create or update your resume and LinkedIn profile.
- Attend career and graduate school fairs.

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Examples gathered from the Career Destinations Survey of recent Berkeley graduates.