Department of Languages
BA Foreign Languages & Intercultural Studies
The growing interest in foreign language studies reflects the deepening international character of today’s social, political, and economic spheres world over. The **BA Foreign Languages and Intercultural Studies** program responds to the need for **specialized education in linguistic and cultural mediation in India** capable of engaging meaningfully with emerging global processes and issues.

BA FLIS provides structured learning in **French, German, and Spanish** along with integrated modules in intercultural communication, literature, cultural diplomacy, heritage, and sustainability. This unique, **multi-perspectival** orientation in the humanities and social sciences allows students, both with and without previous knowledge of foreign languages, to acquire **internationally valid qualifications** that have a wide scope of cross sectoral application.
knowledge & skills

ACQUISITION
- certified proficiency in French, German, or Spanish (B2) + 2nd foreign language of choice (B1)
- cross cultural communication & analytical skills
- knowledge of UN Sustainable Development Goals

APPLICATION
- translation and interpretation competence
- linguistic & cultural mediation in literature, history, diplomacy, heritage
- responsibilities as youth ambassadors on issues pertinent to India’s engagement with the world

CREATION
- cultural projects with international dimension on heritage & sustainability
- language study modules for diverse learners
- bilingual thesis & research projects

choice of language specialization & 2nd foreign language (includes Polish & Italian)
domain-specific program electives
self-paced modules with blended learning
in-house internships & projects
international mobility & exchange programs

curated curriculum to suit individual learning preferences
recognition & enhancement of previous learning
continuous learning enhancement opportunities
creative intersections with study of Indian languages
career pathways

multinational companies
liason officer, translation services, cultural mediator, trainer

international organisations
embassies, cultural institutes, foreign services

cultural industry
museums, travel & tourism, writing, cultural projects

education
foreign language teaching, international education services

higher studies
in arts, humanities & social sciences internationally & nationally

entrepreneurship
freelance teaching, translation, interpretation, consultation & related work on digital platforms
**ba flis accents**

**COURSES**

- French | German | Spanish A1, A2
- Communication across Cultures
- Intellectual History
- Literary Studies
- Linguistics & Phonetics
- Culture & Foreign Policy
- Cities as Sites of Culture
- Contemporary World History
- Research Practices

120 credits
~180 ECTS

3 years

Alliance Française de Bangalore, Polish Institute, British Council

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**Year 1**

French | German | Spanish B1, B2
2nd Foreign Language A1, A2
Comparative Cultural Representations
Study of Cultural Institutes
Translation Studies
Thesis Preparation

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**Year 2**

Linguistic & Cultural Mediation Projects
Thesis, Internship
French | German | Spanish B2+
2nd Foreign Language B1

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monsoon semester: July to November
summer semester: January to April

10+2/IB/GCE studies any discipline

letter of motivation, candidate interview
Since 2016 we have been active in developing innovative academic programs and knowledge pathways at the intersections of foreign languages and culture studies in India. Our commitment to excellence in teaching and research at Manipal Academy of Higher Education, an Institution of Eminence, is infused with the objectives of enhancing academic capital required for deeper engagement of India with the wider world and creating new opportunities for students. The foregrounding of heritage and sustainability in our curricula not only seeks to harness the potential for collaborative action on topical global issues but also inspires our work philosophy.

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