

TRANSLATION - B.S.

College of Arts and Sciences
 Department of Modern and Classical Language Studies
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About This Program

Our Bachelor of Science in Translation combines language proficiency with cultural competency to prepare you for a career as a professional translator. With experienced faculty, immersive learning opportunities and access to state-of-the-art resources, you will gain the skills needed to bridge language barriers and foster cross-cultural communication. Read more...

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Applications to the Russian concentration are not being accepted at this time.

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*

Foreign language and literature teachers, postsecondary

- 5.7% faster than the average
- 30,600 number of jobs
- \$69,920 potential earnings

Interpreters and translators

- 20.0% much faster than the average
- 77,400 number of jobs
- \$52,330 potential earnings

* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

Admission Requirements

Applications to the Russian concentration are not being accepted at this time.

The university affirmatively strives to provide educational opportunities and access to students with varied backgrounds, those with special talents and adult students who graduated from high school three or more years ago.

First-Year Students on the Kent Campus: First-year admission policy on the Kent Campus is selective. Admission decisions are based upon cumulative grade point average, strength of high school college preparatory curriculum and grade trends. Students not admissible to the Kent Campus may be administratively referred to one of the seven regional campuses to begin their college coursework. For more information, visit the admissions website for first-year students.

First-Year Students on the Regional Campuses: First-year admission to Kent State's campuses at Ashtabula, East Liverpool, Geauga, Salem, Stark, Trumbull and Tuscarawas, as well as the Twinsburg Academic Center, is open to anyone with a high school diploma or its equivalent. For more information on admissions, contact the Regional Campuses admissions offices.

International Students: All international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning a minimum 525 TOEFL score (71 on the Internet-based version), minimum 75 MELAB score, minimum 6.0 IELTS score or minimum 48 PTE Academic score, or by completing the ELS level 112 Intensive Program. For more information, visit the admissions website for international students.

Transfer Students: Students who have attended any other educational institution after graduating from high school must apply as undergraduate transfer students. For more information, visit the admissions website for transfer students.

Former Students: Former Kent State students or graduates who have not attended another college or university since Kent State may complete the reenrollment or reinstatement form on the University Registrar's website.

Admission policies for undergraduate students may be found in the University Catalog's Academic Policies.

Some programs may require that students meet certain requirements before progressing through the program. For programs with progression requirements, the information is shown on the program's Coursework tab.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements (courses count in major GPA)		
ENG 20002 or ENG 30063	INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL WRITING ¹ PROFESSIONAL WRITING	3
MCLS 30420	FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES	3
TRST 20009	MULTILINGUAL INFORMATION LIFECYCLE	3
TRST 30230	APPROACHES TO TRANSLATION	3
TRST 30330	CROSS-LANGUAGE MEDIATION	3
Additional Requirements (courses do not count in major GPA)		
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Electives ²		18
Kent Core Composition		6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning		3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (minimum one course from each)		9
Kent Core Social Sciences (must be from two disciplines)		6
Kent Core Basic Sciences (must include one laboratory)		6-7
Kent Core Additional		6
General Electives (total credit hours depends on earning 120 credit hours, including 39 upper-division credit hours)		22

Concentrations

Choose from the following:	28
Arabic	
French	
German	
Russian	
Spanish	

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

¹ ENG 20002 is recommended for students pursuing a technology-related minor, certificate or second major; ENG 30063 is recommended for students pursuing a business-related minor, certificate or second major.

² Students must declare and complete a minimum of 18 credit hours in a minor, certificate or second major subject to department faculty advisor approval in a field related to business, technology, health, medicine, science, law, politics or other field in which there is currently a high demand for translators.

Arabic Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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Prerequisite Requirements

ARAB 11101	ELEMENTARY ARABIC I	
ARAB 11102	ELEMENTARY ARABIC II	
ARAB 21201	INTERMEDIATE ARABIC I	
ARAB 21202	INTERMEDIATE ARABIC II	

Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)

ARAB 37231	TRANSLATION PRACTICE: ARABIC	1
ARAB 37240	CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: ARABIC	3
ARAB 47230	ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: ARABIC	3
ARAB 47240	BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: ARABIC	3
Arabic (ARAB) Upper-Division Electives (40000 level)		6
Concentration Electives, choose from the following:		12
CIS 24053	INTRODUCTION TO INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES	
COMM 43000	COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY AND HUMAN INTERACTION	
ENG 30062	PRINCIPLES OF TECHNICAL WRITING	
GEOG 37045	GEOGRAPHY OF THE MIDDLE EAST	
HIST 31126	HISTORY OF THE MIDDLE EAST	
LIS 30010	INFORMATION FLUENCY IN THE WORKPLACE AND BEYOND	
MKTG 25010	PRINCIPLES OF MARKETING	
OTEC 26640	CURRENT TECHNOLOGIES	
PLST 28001	LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING	
POL 30560	MIDDLE EAST POLITICS (DIVG)	
VCD 37000	VISUAL DESIGN FOR MEDIA	
Any Arabic (ARAB) Upper-Division course (30000 or 40000 level)		

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 28

French Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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Prerequisite Requirements

FR 13201	ELEMENTARY FRENCH I	
FR 13202	ELEMENTARY FRENCH II	

FR 23201	INTERMEDIATE FRENCH I	
FR 23202	INTERMEDIATE FRENCH II	

Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)

FR 33231	TRANSLATION PRACTICE: FRENCH	1
FR 33240	CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: FRENCH	3
FR 43230	ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: FRENCH (WIC) ¹	3
FR 43240	BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: FRENCH (ELR)	3
French (FR) Upper-Division Electives (30000 or 40000 level)		12
French (FR) Upper-Division Electives (40000 level)		6

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 28

¹ A minimum C grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement. Students may also fulfill this requirement by earning a minimum C grade in any of the language-specific advanced translation practice courses or a language-specific elective that is designated as writing-intensive.

German Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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Prerequisite Requirements

GER 11201	ELEMENTARY GERMAN I	
GER 11202	ELEMENTARY GERMAN II	
GER 21201	INTERMEDIATE GERMAN I	
GER 21202	INTERMEDIATE GERMAN II	

Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)

GER 31231	TRANSLATION PRACTICE: GERMAN	1
GER 31240	CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: GERMAN	3
GER 41230	ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: GERMAN (ELR) (WIC) ¹	3
GER 41240	BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: GERMAN	3
German (GER) Upper-Division Electives (30000 or 40000 level)		12
German (GER) Upper-Division Electives (40000 level)		6

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 28

¹ A minimum C grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement. Students may also fulfill this requirement by earning a minimum C grade in any of the language-specific advanced translation practice courses or a language-specific elective that is designated as writing-intensive.

Russian Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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Prerequisite Requirements

RUSS 12201	ELEMENTARY RUSSIAN I	
RUSS 12202	ELEMENTARY RUSSIAN II	
RUSS 22201	INTERMEDIATE RUSSIAN I	
RUSS 22202	INTERMEDIATE RUSSIAN II	

Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)

RUSS 32231	TRANSLATION PRACTICE: RUSSIAN	1
RUSS 32240	CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: RUSSIAN	3
RUSS 42230	ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: RUSSIAN (ELR) (WIC) ¹	3

RUSS 42240	BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: RUSSIAN	3
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Electives (30000 or 40000 level)		12
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Electives (40000 level)		6

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 28

¹ A minimum C grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement. Students may also fulfill this requirement by earning a minimum C grade in any of the language-specific advanced translation practice courses or a language-specific elective that is designated as writing-intensive.

Spanish Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Prerequisite Requirements		
SPAN 18201	ELEMENTARY SPANISH I	
SPAN 18202	ELEMENTARY SPANISH II	
SPAN 28201	INTERMEDIATE SPANISH I	
SPAN 28202	INTERMEDIATE SPANISH II	
Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)		
SPAN 38231	TRANSLATION PRACTICE: SPANISH	1
SPAN 38240	CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: SPANISH	3
SPAN 48230	ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: SPANISH (ELR) (WIC) ¹	3
SPAN 48240	BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: SPANISH	3
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Electives (30000 or 40000 level)		12
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Electives (40000 level)		6
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		28

¹ A minimum C grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement. Students may also fulfill this requirement by earning a minimum C grade in any of the language-specific advanced translation practice courses or a language-specific elective that is designated as writing-intensive.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Students are expected to start in a course appropriate to their language proficiency level. Students lacking in sufficient proficiency to take the first concentration course can reach it by taking courses in the prerequisite sequence based on their placement score and high school training. One or more of the prerequisites may be waived with demonstrated proficiency through the Kent State placement test, AP, CLEP, International Baccalaureate, official ACTFL Proficiency Rating or another department-approved assessment.
- Students who fulfill the college language requirement in fewer than 8 credit hours as a result of proficiency will complete remaining hours with general electives. Completion of first junior-level course completes the College of Arts and Sciences foreign language requirement.

Program Note

- Some courses in the Department of Modern and Classical Language Studies are offered on a rotating basis, and course availability may

change at any time. Please see the program coordinator or your academic advisor for course planning.

Foreign Language College Requirement, B.S.

- Students pursuing the Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must complete 8 credit hours of foreign language.¹
- The following programs are exempt from this requirement: The Bachelor of Science in Cybercriminology and the Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Science.²
- Minimum Elementary I and II of the same language

¹ All students with prior foreign language experience should take the foreign language placement test to determine the appropriate level at which to start. Some students may start beyond the Elementary I level and will complete the requirement with fewer credit hours and courses. This may be accomplished by (1) passing a course beyond Elementary I through Intermediate II level; (2) receiving credit through one of the alternative credit programs offered by Kent State University; or (3) demonstrating language proficiency comparable to Elementary II of a foreign language. When students complete the requirement with fewer than 8 credit hours and two courses, they will complete remaining credit hours with general electives.

² The Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Science exemption exists under another college policy (Three-Plus-One Programs). The Bachelor of Science in Cybercriminology exemption is due to its extensive collaboration with and contribution from the Information Technology program in the College of Applied and Technical Studies, which does not have a foreign language requirement.

Roadmaps

Arabic Concentration

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Semester One		Credits
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Arabic Concentration Elective		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Two		
TRST 20009	MULTILINGUAL INFORMATION LIFECYCLE	3
Arabic Concentration Elective		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		18
Semester Three		
ENG 20002	INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL WRITING	3
or	or PROFESSIONAL WRITING	
ENG 30063		
! TRST 30330	CROSS-LANGUAGE MEDIATION	3

Arabic Concentration Elective	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
Credit Hours	12
Semester Four	
MCLS 30420 FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Five	
ARAB 37231 TRANSLATION PRACTICE: ARABIC	1
! TRST 30230 APPROACHES TO TRANSLATION	3
Arabic (ARAB) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Electives	6
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	16
Semester Six	
ARAB 47230 ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: ARABIC	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
General Electives	9
Credit Hours	15
Semester Seven	
ARAB 37240 CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: ARABIC	3
Arabic (ARAB) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)	3
Arabic Concentration Elective	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
General Elective	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Eight	
ARAB 47240 BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: ARABIC	3
General Electives	10
Credit Hours	13
Minimum Total Credit Hours:	120

French Concentration

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Semester One		Credits
UC 10001 FLASHES 101		1
French (FR) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Two		
TRST 20009 MULTILINGUAL INFORMATION LIFECYCLE		3
French (FR) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		18

Semester Three		
ENG 20002 INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL WRITING		3
or	or PROFESSIONAL WRITING	
ENG 30063		
! TRST 30330 CROSS-LANGUAGE MEDIATION		3
French (FR) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		15
Semester Four		
! MCLS 30420 FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		12
Semester Five		
! FR 33231 TRANSLATION PRACTICE: FRENCH		1
! TRST 30230 APPROACHES TO TRANSLATION		3
French (FR) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Electives		6
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Six		
FR 43230 ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: FRENCH (WIC)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
General Electives		9
Credit Hours		15
Semester Seven		
FR 33240 CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: FRENCH		3
French (FR) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
French (FR) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
General Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Semester Eight		
FR 43240 BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: FRENCH (ELR)		3
General Electives		10
Credit Hours		13
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		120

German Concentration

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Semester One		Credits
UC 10001 FLASHES 101		1
German (GER) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Two		
TRST 20009 MULTILINGUAL INFORMATION LIFECYCLE		3

German (GER) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	18
Semester Three	
ENG 20002 INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL WRITING or ENG 30063 or PROFESSIONAL WRITING	3
! TRST 30330 CROSS-LANGUAGE MEDIATION	3
German (GER) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
Credit Hours	12
Semester Four	
! MCLS 30420 FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Five	
! GER 31231 TRANSLATION PRACTICE: GERMAN	1
! TRST 30230 APPROACHES TO TRANSLATION	3
German (GER) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Electives	6
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	16
Semester Six	
GER 41230 ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: GERMAN (ELR) (WIC)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
General Electives	9
Credit Hours	15
Semester Seven	
GER 41240 BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: GERMAN	3
German (GER) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
German (GER) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
General Elective	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Eight	
GER 31240 CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: GERMAN	3
General Electives	10
Credit Hours	13
Minimum Total Credit Hours:	120

Russian Concentration

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Semester One	Credits
UC 10001 FLASHES 101	1
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
Kent Core Requirement	3

Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	16
Semester Two	
TRST 20009 MULTILINGUAL INFORMATION LIFECYCLE	3
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	18
Semester Three	
ENG 20002 INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL WRITING or ENG 30063 or PROFESSIONAL WRITING	3
! TRST 30330 CROSS-LANGUAGE MEDIATION	3
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Four	
! MCLS 30420 FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Kent Core Requirement	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Five	
! RUSS 32231 TRANSLATION PRACTICE: RUSSIAN	1
! TRST 30230 APPROACHES TO TRANSLATION	3
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Electives	6
Credit Hours	13
Semester Six	
RUSS 42230 ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: RUSSIAN (ELR) (WIC)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
General Electives	9
Credit Hours	15
Semester Seven	
RUSS 32240 CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: RUSSIAN	3
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)	3
Russian (RUSS) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective	3
General Elective	3
Credit Hours	15
Semester Eight	
RUSS 42240 BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: RUSSIAN	3
General Electives	10
Credit Hours	13
Minimum Total Credit Hours:	120

Spanish Concentration

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Semester One		Credits
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Two		Credits
TRST 20009	MULTILINGUAL INFORMATION LIFECYCLE	3
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		18
Semester Three		Credits
ENG 20002	INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL WRITING or ENG 30063	3
!	TRST 30330 CROSS-LANGUAGE MEDIATION	3
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
Credit Hours		12
Semester Four		Credits
!	MCLS 30420 FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE STUDIES	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		15
Semester Five		Credits
!	SPAN 38231 TRANSLATION PRACTICE: SPANISH	1
!	TRST 30230 APPROACHES TO TRANSLATION	3
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Electives		6
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Six		Credits
SPAN 48230	ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: SPANISH (ELR) (WIC)	3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
General Electives		9
Credit Hours		15
Semester Seven		Credits
SPAN 38240	CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: SPANISH	3
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Elective (30000 or 40000 level)		3
Spanish (SPAN) Upper-Division Elective (40000 level)		3
Minor, Certificate or Second Major Elective		3
General Elective		3
Credit Hours		15

Semester Eight

SPAN 48240	BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: SPANISH	3
General Electives		10
Credit Hours		13
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		120

University Requirements

All students in a bachelor's degree program at Kent State University must complete the following university requirements for graduation.

NOTE: University requirements may be fulfilled in this program by specific course requirements. Please see Program Requirements for details.

Flashes 101 (UC 10001)	1 credit hour
Course is not required for students with 30+ transfer credits (excluding College Credit Plus) or age 21+ at time of admission.	
Diversity Domestic/Global (DIVD/DIVG)	2 courses
Students must successfully complete one domestic and one global course, of which one must be from the Kent Core.	
Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR)	varies
Students must successfully complete one course or approved experience.	
Kent Core (see table below)	36-37 credit hours
Writing-Intensive Course (WIC)	1 course
Students must earn a minimum C grade in the course.	
Upper-Division Requirement	39 credit hours
Students must successfully complete 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours to graduate.	
Total Credit Hour Requirement	120 credit hours

Kent Core Requirements

Kent Core Composition (KCMP)	6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (KMCR)	3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (KHUM/KFA) (min one course each)	9
Kent Core Social Sciences (KSS) (must be from two disciplines)	6
Kent Core Basic Sciences (KBS/KLAB) (must include one laboratory)	6-7
Kent Core Additional (KADL)	6
Total Credit Hours:	36-37

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Participate in most informal and some formal conversations with sufficient accuracy, clarity and precision to convey their intended message without misrepresentation or confusion and identify the cultural variables likely to lead to misunderstanding when communicating in their language pair.
2. Compose routine social correspondence and write summaries, narratives and descriptions of a factual nature needed in a professional context (i.e., business letters, memos, commercial and legal forms, etc.) in their non-native language.
3. Translate short general and semi-specialized texts in various domains and in a variety of translation contexts from the source language

into their native language with a basic understanding of translation principles and text features relevant in the translation decision-making process.

4. Demonstrate an understanding of the typical life cycle of multilingual information in the language industry and common computer applications used by translators.

Full Description

The Bachelor of Science degree in Translation is a pre-professional program designed for students who are seeking the more professional focus and interdisciplinary breadth that the B.S. degree offers with the inclusion of a minor, double major or certificate to develop the skills needed to translate in a professional setting. It introduces the basics of translation theory as it applies to the actual practice of translation.

The requirement of a minor, certificate or second major enables students to acquire a level of expertise in a specific field in which they can specialize as translators. This degree also enables students to have a major and a minor that make them more competitive and prepare them for a sector that the U.S. Department of Labor projects as one of the fastest-growing sectors globally. Translation majors are strongly encouraged to undertake study in a country where their language concentration is spoken so that they can achieve the necessary proficiency level. Skills necessary include an excellent command of the source language, an excellent command of the target language, cultural knowledge, specialist knowledge, research competence, terminological competence, technological competence, an understanding of the translation industry and transfer competence.

Graduates may enter graduate programs in translation (the professional degree) or go on to work for government, business, industry or translation agencies, or as freelance translators.

The Translation major comprises the following concentrations:

- Arabic
- French
- German
- Russian - *Applications to the Russian concentration are not being accepted at this time.*
- Spanish

Many study abroad opportunities exist, including:

- France: Université Michel de Montaigne Bordeaux III, Bordeaux (all class standings, all majors/minors)
- Germany: Julius-Maximilian-Universität Würzburg, Würzburg (all class standings, all majors/minors)
- Germany: Universität Leipzig, Leipzig (intermediate German language proficiency required)
- Spain: Universidad Europea de Madrid, Madrid (all class standings, all majors/minors)
- Spain: Universidad Europea de Valencia, Valencia