French and Francophone Studies

MEET EMMA

Emma is a Paterno Fellow and Schreyer Scholar majoring in French and Francophone Studies and International Politics with minors in Spanish, Women’s Studies, and Global and International Studies.

She spends most of her time outside the classroom focused on being the vice president of advocacy for Days for Girls at Penn State, an organization that works to end period poverty—the lack of access to menstrual products and essentials needed for period care—at our University and around the world.

“The College of the Liberal Arts has granted me a lot of unique opportunities. Working with career coaches within the Liberal Arts Career Enrichment Network and academic advisers has been amazing. All the resources that the College of the Liberal Arts has are really great, which I have found to be great tools as a student.”

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Unique Learning Opportunities
- Innovative coursework in language, civilization, linguistics, and literature

Out-of-Classroom Experiences
- Exciting internship opportunities in French-speaking countries
- Active engagement in research in French-speaking countries
- Participation in teaching assistant programs in France
- Small classes with discussion opportunities
- Pi Delta Phi, the National French Honor Society

Multiple Pathways
- Bachelor of arts options: language and culture, linguistics, and literature
- Bachelor of science options: business, engineering, or related fields (applied)

Internships and Career Paths
- Sales and marketing
- Accounting and banking
- Supply chain management
- Engineering
- Government/law/social services
- International pharmaceutical industry
- Medicine
- Communications
- Reporters/analysts/translators
- K-12 and college-level teaching

Education Abroad
- Students in FR 197 France and the Holocaust in Film and Literature can participate in a faculty-led trip to France.
- Penn State offers more than 400 education abroad programs to allow students to tailor their experience to their interests. Learn more about education abroad in the College of the Liberal Arts at la.psu.edu/education-abroad.

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