

Français Deutsch Español

Modern Foreign Languages
at Huddersfield New college



A Level 2008-09

Pass rates:

100% French

100% German

100% Spanish

Résultats Ergebnisse Resultados Results

Department statistics:

100% pass rate, AS French

96% A-B in Oral exam (74% grade A), AS French

100% A+B in Coursework, A level Spanish

75% A+B in coursework, A level German

100% pass rate, AS German

100% A-C in oral exam, AS level German

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Salut! Venez à HNC pour étudier les langues étrangères. On pourra trouver l'enseignement de la plus haute qualité, les facilités fantastiques et de l'aide et l'encouragement des profs accueillants.

Paul Edge,
Teacher of French and Spanish,
Head of Department

Hast du Interesse an der deutschen Sprache? Dann komm zu Huddersfield New College. HNC ist ein Ort, wo das Lernen Spaß macht, mit exzellenten Klassenzimmern und hilfsbereiten, freundlichen Lehrern.

Angelika Freydank,
Teacher of German

¡Hola! ¿Quieres aprender idiomas y además tener buenos resultados? Tenemos de todo un poco: buenas instalaciones de informática y excelentes profesores. SOLO FALTAS TU. Te esperamos.

Mónica Gerrity,
Teacher of Spanish



L'enseignement Et L'apprentissage Lehren Und Lernen Enseñanza Y Aprendizaje Teaching & Learning



Conversation classes

You will benefit from a half-hour session with a native speaker of French, German and Spanish. In the first year, you will find yourself in this class with one other student, or in some cases you will enjoy a session all to yourself. In the second year, you take advantage of a personal conversation class, a real benefit when coming to oral exams, especially since now the oral exam is 40% of the final mark!



We pride ourselves on our facilities here in languages at HNC and our conversation spots are used to support or stretch our students for half an hour per week. Very few colleges offer these opportunities to improve your command and confidence in the target language.



Listening activities

Listening activities offer our students the chance to hear variations in accents. They are also used to practice pronunciation, to revise topic material and to listen to the latest in French, German and Spanish music.



Speaking/grammar

Grammar is an essential element of A level language learning. We want to help and encourage our students to become independent in their learning and confident in their speaking and writing, learning grammar is integral to this. We use a variety of methods, games, quizzes, translations and plain old conjugating.



French, German, Spanish – AS/A level

Specific entry criteria: a grade C in the specific language at GCSE (grade B is preferable).

You will build on the language you have learned for GCSE and expand the range of language you can use. This will involve learning more grammatical structures and handling topics such as, for AS, healthy living, youth culture, education and training, for A2, the environment, the media, immigration and terrorism. All assessment is by examination, the oral exam taking up 40% of the final mark. Many students who take a language at this level go on to do a degree course either entirely in a foreign language or in a foreign language combined with another subject. A post-GCSE qualification in a foreign language will be a valuable addition to your CV and will make you stand out from the crowd.

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Trips and exchanges

With the languages courses, you will be offered the chance to visit a country where the language is spoken, whether this be an exchange (for now), or a trip.

The French department has links with Huddersfield's twin town in France, Besançon and has held an exchange with a school there for many years. In the past, students have had a day trip to Switzerland, been to cheese producing villages in the lovely Franche Comté region and wandered around the ancient Citadelle of Besançon.

Studying German at HNC will present you with the opportunity to spend time in Germany. Over the years, we have teamed up with Greenhead college and combined with the History department to go to Berlin.

All in all, you will have many opportunities to visit this most fascinating of countries.

The Spanish department has now established links with a College in the beautiful Spanish city of Valencia. Perhaps a bit of Mediterranean sun is just the way to re-ignite your enthusiasm for Spanish. Go help out with the orange harvests, visit the world renowned science museum, or simply soak up the lively atmosphere of this very vibrant, very Spanish city.

So, if it's fun in France, a blast in Berlin or la vida loca in Valencia that you want, HNC is the place to be!



European day of languages

The Languages Department celebrated the European day of languages with local schools by providing a variety of events. The day started with a double bill of Polish lessons. Students were amazed at how different the language was and how lucky they were to be studying French, Spanish and German instead (even though they may not have said it!). We then offered a class in Russian run by our very own German teacher, Angelika. The most difficult and fun thing with Russian was simply the alphabet, even the staff were struggling at the pronunciations! The day ended on a very high and energetic note, with a salsa class.

The day was a wonderful success and looks set to be repeated in 2010, so dig out your berets, your castanets and lederhosen for the 2010 event, as the £20 gift voucher for best dressed student will again be up for grabs!



Studying languages here at HNC not only gives you outstanding teaching but unique opportunities to further your language skills and develop cultural awareness.

Hope to see you very soon, The HNC Languages team

