

**“I usually like structured learning, focusing on vocabulary and grammar, but this course helped me realize that I can learn just as much, if not more, in different ways.”**

— Language Training Center Participant



# FLEXIBLE PROGRAM OPTIONS

**CULTURE-RICH AND LANGUAGE-INTENSIVE ISO-IMMERSION PROGRAMS IN A SETTING AWAY FROM OUTSIDE INFLUENCES AND DISTRACTIONS ARE IDEAL FOR:**

- SUSTAINMENT TRAINING
- PRE-DEPLOYMENT TRAINING
- OPERATIONAL TRAINING
- CAPSTONE TRAINING

**PROGRAMS CAN BE TAILORED TOWARD SPECIFIC TRAINING NEEDS OF:**

- DIPLOMATS (USAID, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE, ETC.)
- ATTACHÉS (MILITARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT)
- MILITARY (FAOS, SPECIAL OPERATIONS, CIVIL AFFAIRS)
- ROTC
- INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY
- DEA, FBI AND OTHERS

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CONCORDIA LANGUAGE TRAINING CENTER



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## About Concordia College

Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota, is a private, coeducational, four-year liberal arts college and is a nationally recognized leader among undergraduate institutions in study abroad.

## Training Center Locations

Programs take place at culturally authentic facilities 15 miles from Bemidji, Minnesota.

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A PROGRAM OF CONCORDIA COLLEGE AND CONCORDIA LANGUAGE VILLAGES





The Language Training Centers Program is an initiative sponsored by the Defense Language and National Security Education Office and administered by the Institute of International Education. Concordia is one of seven LTCs in the nation and was established in 2016. Our partners currently are the 300th MI Brigade of the Utah National Guard, the 16th Air Force of San Antonio, Texas, the 1st Special Forces Command at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, Air Force Culture and Language Center, Army/FORSCOM, and the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center at Monterey, California. We specialize in iso-immersion training and have tutoring options and language, regional expertise, and culture coursework. Programs offered reflect the express requirements of those LTC partners and are available to all U.S. military personnel.

**LANGUAGES OFFERED:**
**ARABIC (MSA) • CHINESE (MANDARIN) • FRENCH**
**KOREAN • PERSIAN (FARSI) • RUSSIAN • SPANISH**
Other languages can be added upon request.

# KEY DIFFERENTIATORS

## GAIN PROFICIENCY FASTER

Program assessment shows 73% of intermediate-level speakers improved at least one sublevel on the ACTFL proficiency scale for speaking, based on OPIc testing at the beginning and end of the immersion.

**90%** **of participants indicate that their instructors are very responsive to their learning goals and professional interests.**

## EXPERIENCE AUTHENTIC CULTURE

Concordia's intensive immersions provide opportunities for deep cultural learning. The curricular content is updated in real time to reflect current events and issues. Participants develop cultural intelligence unequaled in other learning environments.

**92%** **of participants rate the overall cultural content of a Concordia immersion as very good or excellent.**

## ENGAGE WITH MULTIPLE PERSPECTIVES

A participant-to-instructor ratio of 3:1 and a blend of formal and informal conversational opportunities guarantee an intensive and authentic learning experience. The daily schedule encompasses 10+ hours of active learning. Students **live the language** while building confidence and competence. Learners readily apply knowledge, skills, and expertise to real-life situations in the target language.

**94%** **of participants rate the overall language focus and content of a Concordia immersion as very good or excellent.**



**"It was probably the best immersion course that I have ever taken, and I would even say that the level of the (target language) spoken here is better than I have experienced in any other training so far."**

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# SITUATED LEARNING

Through the iso-immersion experience, participants focus on learning an average of 10 hours per day, including an intentional mix of formal and structured informal immersion program elements, guided by a blend of native speakers and highly proficient U.S.-based instructors. With an overall participant-to-instructor ratio of 3:1, programs provide extensive opportunities to engage and find support in the learning process. This full immersion creates an environment for accelerated learning and advancing linguistic as well as cultural competencies. Courses target students aiming to achieve 2+ and higher on the next DLPT. The Concordia Language Villages iso-immersion model builds competence and confidence.

## INSTRUCTION BLENDS INTEGRATED CULTURAL IMMERSION ELEMENTS INCLUDING:

- HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES
- ROLE-PLAYING OF TAILORED SCENARIOS (OPERATIONAL, CULTURAL, RISK ASSESSMENT)
- AUTHENTIC MEALS (FOOD AND CUSTOMS)
- A VARIETY OF SPORTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES







**"It is great to learn facts, events and vocabulary, but sometimes knowing the 'why' behind things helps achieve a greater cultural competency, and I appreciated that."**

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