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## Diamond's Hidden Gems - Mango Languages

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# DIAMOND'S HIDDEN GEMS

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## ABOUT ME

Hello, everyone! My name is Diamond Williams; I am a second-year double-majoring in Criminal Justice and Writing & Rhetoric.

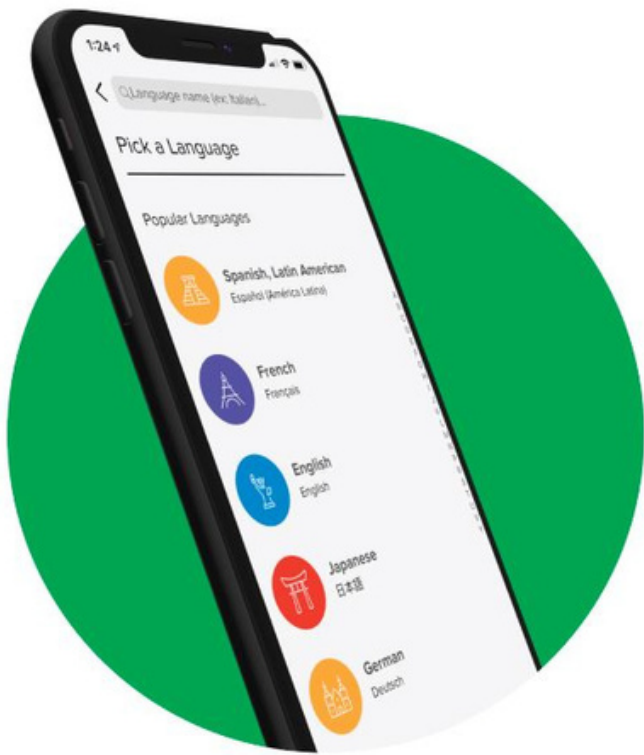
Welcome to the twelfth installment of **Diamond's Hidden Gems**, a blog series in which I introduce you to the University of Central Florida's library services that you may not have known about!



## Mango Languages

Are you interested in learning a new language? From refreshing your knowledge of French from those classes you took in high school to taking on the challenge of Korean or Igbo, Mango Languages has all of the resources you need to progress!

Below, I give a brief rundown of the content Mango Languages has to offer, how to access the software, and maybe how to say a phrase or two in Pirate!



# Language-learning centered around you.



**Start the conversation.**



The UCF Libraries, in collaboration with Department of Modern Languages, hosts *Mango Languages Learning*, a database and self-learning software that includes more than 70 languages with lessons that teach real-world conversation skills. Many languages separate programs depending on the dialect, such as Europe French versus Canadian or Ancient Greek versus Modern.

Access is available to all UCF students and employees; simply navigate to the Mango Languages page on UCF Libraries and under the "Connect to Mango" section, select "Mango Languages". For a shortcut, scan or click the QR code below!





Mango Languages can be easily used online on a desktop or as mobile app, making it versatile for students learning on the go.

The software has various features that have been added to support you and your learning journey!

- Online web-based platform with no downloads or installations needed
- Off-line access by downloading lessons to the mobile app
- Interactive words & phrases with semantic color mapping
- Pronunciation helpers with phonetic popups & audio
- Record your speech & compare it to audio from a native speaker
- Special thematic & cultural modules
  - Ex. medical Spanish, Brazilian & Spanish soccer, Oktoberfest German
- Film-based learning for select languages

Rather than relying on random YouTube videos or complex textbooks to learn a new language, use Mango Languages! It is an amazing, free service, accessible through UCF, that you should be making use of before you graduate!

If you haven't checked out the Mango Languages art wall, go visit the John C. Hitt library to see some amazing designs. Display your linguistic prowess by flaunting (putting stickers representing) how many languages you know!

***\*By the way, I haven't forgotten: "blow me down" is equivalent to "oh my gosh" in Pirate, but to "blow a man down" means to kill him***

# Thank you for reading!



This marks the end of the Spring 2023 edition of Diamond's Hidden Gems.

Thank you so much for reading, and please check back next semester (and the next, and the next) for future editions and installments!



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