
FRENCH AND CULTURE II in Fall 2019 (FR1200E)

Course Code	FR1200E	Professor(s)	Olivier Crepelliere, Olivier Crepelliere
Prerequisites	None	Office Number	SD1-14
Class Schedule	MTWR: 15:20-16:40 in SD-2 W: 13:45-15:05 in V-1	Office Hours	M, T - from 2.15PM to 3.15 PM
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Course Description

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This advanced elementary language and culture course allows students to review the basic elements of spoken and written French that they have learned in the Elementary French Language and Culture I before moving to more complex structures and competencies. They learn how to express themselves in everyday life situations. In class work will be supplemented by multimedia activities and real-life situations in the city of Paris.

COURSE STRUCTURE:

This team taught course is divided into two parts: three meetings per week with the instructor and one meeting per week with the teaching assistant.

ELEMENTARY A2 LEVEL LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of everyday life (e.g. very basic personal & family information, shopping, local geography, employment)
- Communicate simple and routine tasks
- Describe your background, immediate environment, and basic needs

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General Education

This course fulfills one or more General Education requirement

French language courses are a General Education requirement.

Course Outline

IMPORTANT: every week you will have one period of class with a Teaching Assistant and this period of class will be concentrated on oral skills and the content determined after a discussion between your professor and your TA.

Chapter	Communicative Competencies	Grammar	
	- Introduce and describe your family - Express a wish /congratulate someone - Describe someone's physical appearance	- The possessive adjective - The "passé-composé" "avoir" - "C'est un(e)" – "Il est un(e)"	

6	- Describe someone's personality - Use words indicating the time (past and future)		
7	- Describe your apartment and neighborhood - Talk about the activities one does in an apartment - Explain a problem - Ask for help - Apologize	- Direct pronouns: le, la, - The use of the pronoun - Prepositions of place (à, face de...) - Obligation and prohibition: infinitive and imperative	
8	- Make a reservation on line - Express a preference - Express sensations and emotions - Express agreement and disagreement - Write a formal e-mail or letter	- Comparisons (moins/au moins // moins/aussi/plus de) - "IR" verbs (choisir/partir) - The "passé-composé" (être) - Basic use of "imparfait" (il y avait / Il faisait)	

9	- Talk about a series of events/problems that occurred to you or someone else) - Give an explanation (pourquoi? parce que...) - Express negative feelings - Talk about your health - Give an advice	- The « passé-composé (pronominal verbs: s'enr s'amuser...) - Falloir / devoir : obligat prohibition - Indirect pronouns: lui /	
10	- Describe a positive experience - Express a goal - Talk about a project - Describe your skills (or someone else's)	- Si + présent : « la cond - Relative pronouns : qu - Pendant / toujours / lon - Pour + infinitive	

Please note that this is a tentative syllabus. Content and schedule may change according to class pace and needs.

There will be 2 field trips to cultural institutions in Paris such as museums, cinema or theater during the semester. Dates and location will be confirmed by the instructor. Field trips, which are mandatory, will take place during a double period. There may be additional costs.

Textbooks

Title	Author	Publisher	ISBN	Required
EDITO A1 : MÉTHODE DE FRANÇAIS A1, (CD MP3 ET DVD INCLUS	ALCAZAR ET AL.	DIDIER	9782278083183	No
EDITO A1 : CAHIER D'ACTIVITES	BAYLOCQ	DIDIER	9782278083619	No

Attendance Policy

Students studying at The American University of Paris are expected to attend ALL scheduled classes, and in case of absence, should contact their professors to explain the situation. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of any specific attendance policy that a faculty member might have set in the course syllabus. The French Department, for example, has its own attendance policy, and students are responsible for compliance. Academic Affairs will excuse an absence for students' participation in study trips related to their courses.

Attendance at all exams is mandatory.

IN ALL CASES OF MISSED COURSE MEETINGS, THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMUNICATION WITH THE PROFESSOR, AND FOR ARRANGING TO MAKE UP MISSED WORK, RESTS SOLELY WITH THE STUDENT.

Whether an absence is excused or not is ALWAYS up to the discretion of the professor or the department. Unexcused absences can result in a low or failing participation grade. In the case of excessive absences, it is up to the professor or the department to decide if the student will receive an "F" for the course. An instructor may recommend that a student withdraw, if absences have made it impossible to continue in the course at a satisfactory level.

Students must be mindful of this policy when making their travel arrangements, and especially during the Drop/Add and Exam Periods.

FRENCH DEPARTMENT ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Attendance is essential to learning. Consequently the following attendance policy is strictly enforced by the department:

- Students will be required to withdraw after 7 absences before the W deadline. To be excused, absences must be justified. Only 4 excused absences will be allowed. You will be required to provide your instructor with a medical note for health related absences, an official proof for administrative appointments or family matters
- Being late 15 minutes or more, 3 times = 1 absence

Note in the table below how your overall grade will be affected by your attendance at the end of the semester.

5 absences	Grade lowered by one notch	Fo
6 absences	Grade lowered by an additional notch	Fo
7 absences	Grade lowered by one letter	Fo
8 absences	FAILED	F

Grading Policy

ASSESSMENT AND GRADING:

The learning objectives as stated above are measured throughout the semester and are reflected in final grade. The final grade is calculated as

follows:

1.	Quizzes on grammar and vocabulary; dates will be confirmed by the instructor	20%
2.	2 tests (10% each) which assess oral and written comprehension, writing and grammar; dates will be confirmed by the instructor	20%
3.	Assessment of oral production through presentations, individual or group projects, skits etc.	20%
4.	Final oral exam	10%
5.	Final written exam (DELFT format – A2)	20%
6.	Course involvement: • Positive attitude and participation in class (individual or group work) • Homework • Being proactive if/when absent (make sure to contact your instructor) • Effort and improvement	10%

The final exam will be held on the 13th of December at 3.30PM.

Students must be present for the exam.

A grade of C or above is required to be admitted in the upper level.

There will be no make-up exams unless the absence can be justified (see excused absences above)

Other
