

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

COURSE TITLE:	French Culture and Language Integration	COURSE CODE:	FREN105
PREREQUISITES:	None	SEMESTER:	FALL 2020
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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This 3 credit course is designed for complete beginners in French. We will focus on the essential aspects of the French language - phonetics, grammar and vocabulary. In addition, monthly outings will allow students to integrate content of the course by discovering life in Paris.

The course content is based on the A1 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

## **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Through the course and outings, you will learn to communicate in French in daily situations, allowing you to live and study effectively in Paris.

This course will require your active participation during on site sessions and outside the class through simple assignments always focused on communication. The ultimate goal of this course is for you to gain autonomy and self-confidence while communicating in French.

#### **EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Upon completion of this course students should be able to:

- Greet people in a correct way (formal/informal)
- Introduce themselves
- Converse about family and friends
- Discuss tastes, habits and intentions
- Live out daily activities

#### **MANDATORY TEXTBOOK:**



The material will be provided by the teacher.

#### **EVALUATIONS:**

The final grade will be determined as follows:

Homework and class participation 25%

Tests 25%

Final Exam (writing and speaking) 25%

Final exam (listening and reading) 25%

Presence in class is mandatory. More than 2 absences will lead to a failing grade.

#### **GRADING CRITERIA:**

Grades will be based on the standard ABS Grading Rubrics available on beecome.

## COURSE SCHEDULE:

Dates	Reading/Homework	Session Content
Session 1 17 Sept	Write small greeting dialogues. Introduce yourself!	<ul> <li>Formal and informal greetings</li> <li>Classroom questions</li> <li>Introducing yourself</li> <li>Counting from 0 to 10</li> <li>French and English similar words</li> </ul>
Session 2 24 Sept	Introduce your best friend or a celebrity.	<ul> <li>French alphabet</li> <li>Speaking about occupation, nationality</li> <li>Phonetics : nasal sounds (IN, AN, ON)</li> <li>Asking questions to get to know someone</li> <li>Counting from 11 to 20</li> </ul>
Session 3 28 Sept Outing 12h30- 15h30		Outing: The Indian neighborhood of Paris, where we will enter some shops with Indian products, and have lunch in one of the veg or non-veg restaurants.
Session 4 <b>3 Oct</b> Saturday	Write a dialogue about ordering food.	<ul> <li>French cuisine culture</li> <li>Ordering food in a café or restaurant</li> <li>Days of the week</li> <li>Express what you like, what you can or want to do</li> </ul>
Session 5 8 Oct	Write a dialogue between you and the vegetable and fruit seller at the market	<ul> <li>Food</li> <li>Counting from 21 to 69</li> <li>Discover a French Recipe!</li> <li>Meat, vegetables and fruits</li> <li>At the supermarket: How much does it cost?</li> </ul>
Session 6 19 Oct <b>Outing</b>	Describe what kind of shop you went into, what products you	Outing: with a map of Paris, we will explore the school neighborhood to look at street names, numbers and districts, shop names, mail boxes, the post office, and learn how to



12h30- 15h30	saw, what you liked and didn't like.	understand the Paris subway!
Session 7 22 Oct	Write how to go from your place to the school.	<ul> <li>Counting from 69 to 100 &gt; bingo !</li> <li>Accent, rhythm and intonation</li> <li>Transportation in Paris</li> <li>Asking directions</li> </ul>
Session 8 29 Oct	Speak about your daily routine and activities.	<ul> <li>Giving and asking for the time</li> <li>Daily routine and leisure activities</li> <li>Making an appointment with friends, a doctor</li> </ul>
Session 9 5 Nov	Write about your favorite season, what you usually do during these months.	<ul> <li>Talking about the weather, seasons</li> <li>Months</li> <li>Counting from 101 to 1 billion!</li> </ul>
Session 10 9 Nov <b>Outing</b> 12h30- 15h30	Speak about books that were interesting for you, an author or topic, an employee or university teacher.	Outing: Bulac, Oriental Language Library Discover a university and library dedicated to oriental languages, a unique place in Europe. Discuss with some library employees and university teachers. Look for some books in the Indian section. Write down some titles in French (Indian language or script, music etc.).
Session 11 12 Nov	Describe one of your family members.	<ul> <li>Talk about your family</li> <li>Speak about your health conditions</li> </ul>
Session 12 19 Nov	Describe your apartment in Paris and in India.	<ul> <li>Description of a place</li> <li>Furniture and objects</li> </ul>
Session 13 30 Nov Outing 12h30- 15h30	Write what happened in the movie, the character, what you liked or not.	Outing: we will go to the cinema to watch a movie in French and have coffee and cakes in a French café! You will see how French people act in the movie theater!
Session 14 3 Dec	What is your best vacation memory? What are you going to do tomorrow?	- Talk about past and future activities
Session 15 10 Dec	Talk about how you dress in different seasons or events.	<ul> <li>Colors</li> <li>Clothes, purchasing habits</li> <li>What do you often/sometimes/never wear?</li> </ul>
Session 16 17 Dec		<ul> <li>Physical description and personality</li> <li>Comparison</li> <li>Guess who?</li> <li>Final exam</li> </ul>



The schedule of Final Exams will be confirmed and published by 31 October 2020. The last day of the semester is 18 December 2020. DO NOT PLAN ANY TRAVEL BEFORE THIS DATE AS THERE ARE NO MAKE-UP EXAMS.