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Français 103.002-Conversation  
Jeudi 12h30-1320 MH 109

Course Syllabus

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French 103 is designed as a complement to French 101 and French 102. In this course we will practice conversation in order to improve your speaking and listening skills as well as your vocabulary and knowledge of French culture.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Your participation and attendance are essential to your success in this course since this class focuses on conversation. Come to class prepared by practicing French with a partner or a native speaker whenever possible. Due to the fact that this class only meets once a week and to its interactive nature, your grade will suffer sorely if you do not join us regularly. You will be allowed one excused absence (please notify me in advance if possible). After that absence, your final grade will be lowered by 5% for each additional absence. Also, since late arrivals are disruptive to the class in process, 3 of them will equal an absence. If you arrive more than 10 minutes late, this will be counted as an absence.

HOMEWORK:

Although written homework will likely not be assigned for this class, you should take time to review the material covered in class. A few minutes each day will help reinforce the material and greatly improve your comprehension skills for the next class.

EVALUATION:

In order to calculate your final grade, I will drop the lowest grade among the quizzes and the Homework/Presentations (2 TOTAL).

40%	Attendance and participation
40%	Homework /Presentations
10%	Quizzes + interview on pronunciation
10%	Final interview

Consider attending the World Language Expo on March 1 for extra credit. No extra credit will be assigned to any single individual nor exceed 2% of the final grade.

- Week 1: Let's introduce ourselves
- Week 2: French sounds and tongue twisters. Suffixes, Prefixes. Assignment: Bring photos of your family. Sketch your family tree for the next class period.
- Week 3: Let's go shopping for clothing. Skit.
- Week 4: Quiz 1. Hotel reservations. Asking for, complaining, persuading to be moved.
- Week 5: Skit. Gestures of French people. Assignment: Bring a recipe to talk about.
- Week 6: Recipes. Talk about your favorite recipe.
- Week 7: You have just witnessed a robbery in a grocery store. Describe the scene and the robber to the police. Paired activity.
- Week 8: Persuasion. Paired activity. Convince your professor (any class) that you deserve a better grade.
- Week 9: You are in the customs office. Tell the customs officer your nationality and what and how many items you wish to declare. Paired activity.
- Week 10: Quiz 2. You want to go to a concert tomorrow. Convince a friend to go with you. Paired activity.
- Week 11: A student in a class you are taking has been absent from school and calls you by phone. Give him/her the assignments, due date, etc. Paired activity.
- Week 12: Find a French ad (use the Internet) and find a product that you want to talk about. Give a description, price, where it can be bought. Individual activity.
- Week 13: You lost your wallet with all your money and identification in the airport. Ask the security guard to help you.
- Week 14: You have a fly in your soup. Complain to the waiter and order something else. Paired activity.
- Week 15: Quiz 3. Review.
- Week 16: Final interview.