

French 101: Fall 2003

Instructor: _____ Office: _____

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Course Description:

French 101 is a language course in which you will develop the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, as well as learn about French-speaking cultures around the world. French 101 is the first semester elementary French course at the University of Alabama and assumes no previous knowledge of the language.

Prerequisites: None

Objectives:

Upon successful completion of the course, students will have a basic understanding of French grammar and will have acquired a core vocabulary. Students will be able to read, write, speak, and understand spoken French at a simple level pertaining to everyday situations. Students will gain cultural awareness of the French-speaking world. Learning a foreign language, and about the culture(s) associated with the language, can dramatically open up awareness of the world. It gives the student access to different perspectives and traditions which they would otherwise not have. It opens up a mode of meaningful communication with others from across the globe. It allows students to better understand their own culture and language in contrast with that being learned. It helps us to have a better understanding and respect for the phenomenon of language, a faculty which sets us apart from all other species, and thus teaches us something about what it is to be human.

Successful completion of FR 101 and 102 fulfills the foreign language requirement of the core curriculum.

Textbooks: *Deux mondes*, Terrell, Rogers, Kerr, Spielman, fourth edition, Mc Graw Hill, publishers. You need the textbook, workbook (cahier D'exercices) and the student CD.

Exams: These will last one class period each and will focus mainly on material from the preceding chapter or chapters. You will be allowed to take a makeup test only if you have a medical excuse from a doctor.

Late work: Late work, exams, and quizzes are not accepted. See your instructor in case of unusual circumstances.

Quizzes: These will last approximately fifteen minutes each and will focus on the last chapter.

Compositions: These will be written in class on a topic chosen by the instructor and assigned on the day of the composition.

Oral exercise: This will consist of a set of questions asked by your instructor about subjects such as family life, vacations, school, leisure time activities, etc.; details TBA. Your grade will be based on your overall fluency, grammatical accuracy and accent. This exercise may be taken in the Language Research Center.

Final exam: This will be comprehensive. Your instructor will provide you with more information toward the end of the semester regarding the place of the final exam. If you have a conflict with another exam, see Madame de Rocher, room 229 for a make-up time.

Homework and preparation: Your instructor will assign homework every day. It might be written, or done in the LRC. He/she will explain how your homework will be graded. Remember that your homework grade is an important part of your overall grade and that homework is an indispensable tool to language learning. You should come to class prepared. Late work is not accepted.

Participation: You will receive a grade for participation for the whole semester. It will be based on how actively you contribute to the class, whether you arrive in class on time, have a positive attitude towards your instructor and classmates. Being tardy, disruptive or rude will affect your grade.

Attendance policy: You may have up to five absences, for whatever reason, without penalty. After your fifth absence, one percentage point will be deducted from your final grade for each subsequent absence, whatever the reason for the absence may be. We do not accept medical excuses. In case of serious illness, your instructor will discuss the situation on a case by case basis.

Tardiness: A total of 3 late arrivals will count as an absence.

Class routine: Your instructor will speak French in class. You are not expected to understand everything at first. As time goes by, you will understand more and more. You are also encouraged to use French yourself when speaking to your instructor and classmates.

Disabilities: Students with disabilities are encouraged to contact and register with the Office of Disability Services (348-4285 or 348-3081 TTY). Once the appropriate paperwork is obtained, please see your instructor as soon as possible to arrange accommodations.

Academic Misconduct: Academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating, plagiarism, fabrication, and misrepresentation, is not allowed. Students committing such misconduct are reported to the Dean's office. Consult your Academic Honor Code for details.

The classroom is a workplace; please behave accordingly: No food or drinks (except water). Turn off your cell phones.

Your grades: 7 exams @ 75 points =	525
Final exam	200
Homework	100
Participation	100
Oral exercise	50
Composition	25
TOTAL	1000

NB: the program outlined below might be modified during the semester in order to respond to the needs of the class.

Août

- 20: Explication du syllabus; faire connaissance
- 21: Visite du LRC; Deux mondes: première étape
- 22 25 et 26: première étape
- 27, 28, 29: deuxième étape. **EXAMEN 1**

Septembre

- 1: **Laborday**
- 2: Ch 1 Grammaire 1.1, La famille, p: 46-47-48
- 3: Grammaire 1.2; p: 48-49-50-51
- 4: G 1.3 et 1.4; p: 52-53-54
- 5: G 1.5 et 1.6; p: 54-55- 56
- 8: Les francophones sur le vif; Activités 13-14
- 9: Activités 15-16; lecture et questions
- 10: A vous d'écrire ; vocabulaire
- 11: **EXAMEN 2**
- 12: Ch 2, G 2.1; p: 74-75
- 15: p: 76-77
- 16: G 2.2; p: 77-78-79
- 17: G 2.3; p: 80-81-82
- 18 et 19: G 2.4 et 2.5; p:82-83-84-85
- 22: Lecture et questions
- 23: A vous d'écrire; vocabulaire
- 24: **EXAMEN 3**
- 25 et 26: Ch 3, G 3.1 et 3.2; p:100-101-102-103
- 29 et 30: G 3.3 et 3.4; p: 103-104-104 et 106

Octobre

- 1: G 3.5 et 3.6; p: 107-108-109
- 2: G 3.7; p: 110-111-112
- 3: Lecture p: 112-113-114
- 6: **EXAMEN 4**
- 7: Ch 4; p: 130-131-132
- 8: G 4.3; p:133-134
- 9: p: 135-136
- 10 et 13: G 4.4 et 4.5; p:137-138-139
- 14 et 15: G 4.6 et 4.7; p: 140-141-142
- 16: Lecture et vidéothèque
- 17: **EXAMEN 5**
- 20 et 21: Ch 5; G 5.1; p: 164-165-166-167
- 22 et 23: G 5.2; p: 167-168-169-170
- 24: G 5.3 et 5.4
- 27: p:171-172-173-174

- 28: G 5.5; p: 174-175-176-177
- 29: Lecture/ A vous d'écrire/ vidéothèque
- 30: **EXAMEN 6**

Novembre

- 31 et 3 : Ch 6; G 6.1 et 6.2
- 4: p: 194-195-196
- 5: G 6.3 et 6.4
- 6: p: 197-198
- 7: G 6.5 et 6.6
- 10: p: 200-201-202
- 11: G 6.7 et 6.8
- 12: p: 204-205-206
- 13: Lecture p: 206-207- 208
- 14: A vous d'écrire: composition en classe (25 points)
- 17: **EXAMEN 7**
- 18: Ch 7; G 7.1 et 7.2
- 19: p: 226-227-228-229
- 20: G 7.3
- 21: p: 230-231-232
- 24: G 7.4 p: 232-233
- 25: 234-235
- 26: G 7.5 et 7.6
- 27 et 28: **Vacances de thanksgiving**

Décembre

- 1: p: 236-237-238-239
- 2: Lecture p: 240-241
- 3: **Exercice oral**
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- 5: Révision

Examen final: le 11 décembre, de 3h 30 à 6:00 (room to be announced)

Please sign here if you have read this French 101 fall 2003 document and will abide by it.

_____ **date:** _____