



COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE:	Advanced French	COURSE CODE:	FREN350
PREREQUISITES:	At least two semesters of university-level, French language instruction – Intermediate level. Students should know the présent, passé composé and imparfait.	SEMESTER:	FALL 2020
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

In this class, you will be engaged in both individual and group work designed to give you grammatical and conversational abilities. Outside of class, you will have independent reading and writing exercise, in order to strengthen skills acquired in class. During each class, we'll listen to an audio exercise to help you improve your listening skills. Communication and speaking will be strongly developed. To attend this course, you are required to know and be comfortable with the following tenses in French: the présent, the passé composé, the imparfait, the futur simple and the conditionnel présent.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

We will cover together:

- Le conditionnel présent et le conditionnel passé
- Les pronoms compléments à tous les temps
- Le subjonctif
- Les relatifs
- Les prépositions et les verbes
- Les hypothèses
- Les relations logiques

EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completion of this course students should be able to:

- Talk about a topic they read previously about, give their opinion about it
- Express themselves with ease and confidence



- Write a text or a letter in French
- Read news articles and books in French
- Talk in the past without difficulties and with logic
- Express regrets and wishes
- Explain plan in the future with details and chronological order
- Improving listening comprehension

MANDATORY TEXTBOOK:

Interactive and current material will be given during the semester by the teacher. The material is mainly for native speakers such as:

- Press articles : Le courrier international
- Audios : RFI Savoirs
- Videos : many resources available online for native speakers.

Topics of the class will be adapted to the news and the content is current. For example : zero-waste, how to travel, being more ecologically responsible, should the Mona Lisa be moved from the Louvre, ..

EVALUATIONS:

The final grade will be determined as follows:

Class Participation: interact with other students, try to communicate in French 25%

Tests and homework during the semester including mid-terms evaluation 25%

Final Exam (written part) 25%

Final exam (oral) 25 %

Mid-terms evaluation is a presentation in front of the class about a topic you choose and the text about the chosen topic. Your skills will be evaluated on how you express yourself in French and how you create interactions with your classmates.

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 become.

COURSE SCHEDULE:

Dates	Reading/Homework	Session Content
Session 1 16 Sept	Introduction of the course Revision Introduce yourself and someone else	Test d'évaluation du livre de grammaire progressive du français. Révisions du passé

Session 2 Mon 21 Sept Outing	OUTING Visit Paris	OUTING Visit Paris
Session 3 23 Sept	Explain events in the past	Audio Press article
Session 4 30 Sept	Give advice with the conditional Express regrets, wishes Si j'étais président,..... Talk about the hypothesis Talk about regrets	Audio Le conditionnel et les hypothèses
Session 5 Mon 5 Oct Outing	OUTING Visit Paris with a French speaking guide	OUTING Visit Paris with a French speaking guide
Session 6 7 Oct	Reading article or write an essay about the topic of the audio including: Les hypothèses The visit of Paris with the Guide	Audio Présentation Le subjonctif
Session 7 14 Oct	Reading article or write an essay about the topic of the audio including: Le subjonctif	Discussion about the essay or the press article Audio Présentation Les prépositions
Session 8 Mon 19 Oct Outing	OUTING Movie in French	OUTING Movie in French
Session 9 21 Oct	Reading article or write an essay about the topic of the audio including: les prépositions	Discussion about the essay or the press article Audio Présentation

		Les pronoms compléments à tous les temps : temps simples, temps composés et verbes auxiliaires
Session 10 28 Oct	Reading article or write an essay about the topic of the audio including: Les pronoms compléments à tous les temps	Discussion about the essay or the press article Audio Présentation Les relations logiques
Session 11 Mon 2 Nov Outing	OUTING Atelier des lumières	OUTING Atelier des lumières
Session 12 4 Nov	Reading article or write an essay about the topic of the audio including: Les relations logiques Atelier des lumières	Discussion about the essay or the press article Audio Présentation Les relatifs complexes
Session 13 18 Nov	Reading article or write an essay about the topic of the audio including: Les relatifs complexes	Discussion about the essay or the press article Audio Présentation
Session 14 2 Dec	Revision	Révision
Session 15 9 Dec	Examen écrit	Examen écrit
Session 16 16 Dec	Examen Oral	Examen Oral

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.