

School of Arts & Science HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT

FREN 102-003 Basic French 1 Fall 2008

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Instructor Information

(a) Instructor: Serena Edwardson

(b) Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday 11.30-12.30 or by appointment

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

This fall course followed by the winter French 103 will give students a good overview of the French language systems and some awareness of the Francophone world. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Write, read and comprehend written and spoken French, using limited structures and a vocabulary dealing with the subject matter studied.
- 2. Express their thoughts in the present tense and the immediate future and begin to use the past tense.
- 3. Meet basic survival needs in a French environment (e.g., ask for directions, tell the time, count).

3. Required Materials

Textbook: Voilà! L.Kathy Heilenman (Fifth Edition)

Workbook: Voilà Cahier d'activités écrites et orales, L. Kathy Heilenman (Fifth Edition),

4. Course Content and Schedule

The course covers selected material presented in chapters 1-10 of the textbook *Voilà*. Students have the opportunity to practice language structures and vocabulary through various activities; therefore, the textbook **can not** replace the instruction in the classroom.

Course format:

Both class sessions consist of both instructional time and oral/aural/ written practice. Time during each chapter is spent specifically on pronunciation and oral comprehension. Chapter tests include an oral comprehension component.

Tuesday		Thursday		Tuesday		Thursday	
Sept 2 Students / introduction greetings	Assessment ons and	Sept 4	Chap. 1	Sept 9	Chap. 1-2	Sept 11	Chap. 2
Sept 16	Chap. 2	Sept 18	Chap. 2-3	Sept 23	Chap. 3	Sept 25	Chap. 3
		Test 1 (Cha	<u>ap 1-2)</u>				
Sept 30	Chap. 4	Oct 2	Chap. 4	Oct 7	Chap. 4-5	Oct 9	Chap. 5
				Due: Assignment 1		Test 2 (Chap.3-4)	
Oct 14	Chap. 5	Oct 16	Chap. 5-6	Oct 21	Chap. 6	Oct 23	Chap. 6
Oct 28	Chap. 6	Oct 30	Chap. 7	Nov 4	Chap. 7	Nov 6	Chap. 7-8
		Test 3 (Chap.5-6)		Due: Assignment 2			
Nov 11	Holiday	Nov 13	Chap 8	Nov 18	Chap. 8	Nov 20	Chap. 9
						Test 4 (Chap.7-8)	
Nov 25	Chap. 9	Nov 27	Chap. 9-10	Dec 2	Chap. 10	Dec 4	Chap. 10
		Due: assig	nment 3			Reviews	

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

In-class participation 20%

Oral expression is essential while learning a foreign language. Students are expected to attend class regularly and participate actively in all oral/written activities. Students who miss more then two classes will have points deducted from their participation mark.

• Chapter tests 40%

Students will be evaluated on the material covered in class after every two chapters.

Assignments 20%

Students will write three compositions at home. Instructions will be given as to the topics and requirements.

- Compositions must be typed and double-spaced.

- Assignments will not be accepted after the due date.
- All written work must be the product of the student alone.
 This means NO outside assistance of any kind, or it will result in a mark of zero.

• Final Exam 20%

The final exam will draw on the material covered in chapters 1-10.

NB: Absences

Regular class attendance and work is crucial while learning a foreign language.

- Legitimate absences are only those due to illness, accident, or family affliction.
- Students who are absent the day a test is given or an assignment is due will receive a zero, unless prior arrangements have been made with the instructor.
- It is the responsibility of the student to find out what class work, announcements or assignments s/he has missed while absent.

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section, unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through EDCO for approval.)

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)

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Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED