

School of Arts & Science HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT FREN 102 - 002 Basic French 1 Fall 2011

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/fren.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by the Education Council of Camosun College.)

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

(a) Basic French 1 Voilà Custom Edition (Heilenman & Kaplan)

4. Course Content and Schedule

The courses and the labs will be based on the *Voilà* method (Heilenman & Kaplan). In this Basic French 102 class, we will cover chapters 1 to 10.

Each class session will last 50 minutes and will take place from 8:30 AM to 9:20 AM on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Lectures (theory on verbs, grammar, structures) will be on Mondays and Wednesdays. Labs (oral practice and activities) will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Sept. 5	Sept. 6	Sept.7	Sept. 8
NO CLASS	Welcome! Bienvenue!	Chapter 1 (lecture)	Chapter 1 (lab)
Sept. 12	Sept. 13	Sept. 14	Sept.15
Chap. 1 (lecture)	Chap. 1 (lab)	Chap.2 (lecture)	Chap. 2 (lab) <u>Due:composition 1</u>
Sept. 19	le 20 septembre	le 21 septembre	le 22 septembre
Chap. 2	Chap. 2	Test 1 and starting Chap. 3	Chap. 3
le 26 septembre	le 27 sept.	le 28 sept.	le 29 sept.
Chap.3	Chap.3-4	Chap. 4	Chap. 4 <u>Due:composition 2</u>
le 3 octobre	le 4 oct.	le 5 oct.	le 6 oct.
Chap. 4	Chap. 4	Test 2 and starting Chap. 5	Chap. 5
le 10 octobre	le 11 oct.	le 12 oct.	le 13 oct.
NO CLASS	Chap. 5	Chap. 5	Chap. 5
le 17 octobre	le 18 oct.	le 19 oct.	le 20 oct.
Chap. 6	Chap. 6	Chap. 6	Chap.6 <u>Due:composition 3</u>
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
le 24 octobre	le 25 oct.	le 26 oct.	le 27 oct.
Review (chap.1-6)	Prep for first oral presentation	Test 3 and starting Chap. 7	Prep for first oral presentation
le 31 octobre	le 1er novembre	le 2 nov.	le 3 nov.
Chap. 7	First oral test	Chap. 7	First oral test
le 7 novembre	le 8 nov.	le 9 nov.	le 10 nov.
Chap. 7	Chap. 7	Chap. 8	Chap. 8 <u>Due:composition 4</u>
le 14 novembre	le 15 nov.	le 16 nov.	le 17 nov.
Chap. 8	Chap. 8	Test 4 and starting Chap. 9	Chap. 9
le 21 novembre	le 22 nov.	le 23 nov.	le 24 nov.
Chap. 9	Prep for second oral presentation	Chap. 9	Prep for second oral presentation

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
le 28 novembre	le 29 nov.	le 30 nov.	le 1er décembre
Chap. 9-10	Second oral test	Chap. 10	Second oral test
le 5 décembre	le 6 décembre	le 7 décembre	le 8 décembre
Chap. 10	Chap. 10	Chap. 10	Test 5 Au revoir!

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

a) Attendance (all lectures and labs) 10%

- Considering that attending <u>all</u> scheduled classes is essential to learning another language, you will lose ½ point (half a point) for every class day missed (lecture or lab), whatever the reason might be.
- Furthermore, since the classes start at 8:30 AM and last only 50 minutes, a late arrival of more than 20 minutes will be considered a missed class.
- The instructor will examine any long-term absences (more than 4 consecutive classes) on a case-by-case basis.

b) Participation (all lectures and labs) 10%

- Students are expected to make a consistent effort in speaking French and asking questions to their French instructor during and after class.
- Assessment of participation will be based on a sporadic or "surprise" end-of-class written summary of learning (résumé d'apprentissage) that will happen 5 times throughout the Fall 2011 semester at undisclosed dates.
- Each summary of learning (résumé d'apprentissage) will be worth 2 points.

c) Oral tests (2 presentations in groups of 2 or 3) 10%

- Public speaking is a fundamental skill to develop, as a student and as a citizen; therefore, you will have 2 oral presentations to prepare and to give in front of your classmates, in groups of 2 or 3 people.
- Each presentation is worth 5 points.
- An absence to any oral test will result in a mark of 0 (zero).

d) Written assignments (4 compositions) 20%

- Writing in French in a creative yet structured way will be assessed 4 times throughout the semester.
- Each written assignment (composition) is worth 5 points.
- An assignment that is handed in late will <u>only</u> be accepted for a major reason (i.e.: illness doctor's note) and will result in a 10 % penalty for each day the assignment is submitted after the due date.

e) Chapter tests (5 written tests) 50%

- These 5 written tests will cover the content being taught throughout the semester (10 first chapters of the Voilà method).
- Academic honesty is expected; any plagiarism will result in a 0 (zero) and will be reported to the Dean of Arts & Science.
- If absent on the day of a test, only a valid reason (i.e.: illness doctor's note) will be accepted. The student will then be able to do the test at a later time.

About homework...

Since you will be attending French classes on a daily basis (except Fridays), the homework is optional. However, I encourage you to do the *Voilà* online exercises on a regular basis and to create your own French environment in order to maximize your learning of the French language. For instance, you could watch TV in French and listen to French radio stations (Victoria: Radio-Canada 88,9 FM and CILS-107,9 FM).

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College 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.)
cw	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

Counselling Centre : Dawson Building – 202 free and confidential

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 the College web site in the Policy Section.