

FRENCH

Division: Language Arts

Division Dean

Dr. Janet Vera Lopez

Faculty

Karen Le Cornet

Counselors

Mymy Lam

Dr. Therese Mosqueda-Ponce

Daniel Pelletier

French Transfer Program

Students should consult a counselor or www.assist.org (<http://www.assist.org>) for lower division major requirements for most California public universities. (See the Standard Definitions section of the catalog for a description of ASSIST.) Students transferring to an independent college/university should consult the catalog of the individual school and a counselor for lower division major requirements.

FREN 098 C French Seminar

0.5-12 Units

Prerequisite(s): May be required.

Corequisite(s): May be required.

Advisory: May be required.

Term hours: 0-216 lecture and/or 0-432 laboratory depending on units attempted. This seminar is for able students who wish to extend their knowledge of literature, language and culture through small group discussion. May be taken for credit 1-4 times. Pass/No Pass/Letter Grade Option. Fees may be required-Payable at Registration.

FREN 101 C Elementary French I

5 Units

Term hours: 90 lecture. This course focuses on the acquisition of the four skills in language learning: listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Included are the basics of French pronunciation and regional varieties of French. Students will be introduced to the culture, customs, history, and geography of the French-speaking world. Students will develop cultural understanding and linguistic proficiency for elementary social communication through conversation practice; reading, listening, writing exercises; and discussions of cultural readings. Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass option. (UC/CSU, AA GE, CSU GE).

FREN 102 C Elementary French II

5 Units

Prerequisite(s): FREN 101 C with a grade of C or better or one year of high school French with an average grade of C.

Term hours: 90 lecture. This course continues to focus on the acquisition of basic skills in pronunciation, listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Students will further their understanding of the culture, customs, history, geography and traditions of the French-speaking world. In addition to increasing proficiency in elementary social communication, attention is also given to developing intercultural competency. Through conversation practice; reading, listening, writing exercises; and discussions of various Francophone customs, students can apply the process for understanding French and Francophone populations towards other cultures and communities. Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option. (CSU/UC, AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC).

FREN 125 C French Culture Through Cinema

3 Units

Term hours: 54 lecture. This course is an introduction to French and Francophone culture through film. Through analysis of classic and recent Francophone films, students gain an appreciation of this medium as works of art as well as an understanding of the connection between culture, film, and language. Films and characters are situated within their historical, socio-political, and cinematic contexts with an emphasis on their cultural relevance and representation of the French-speaking world. Ten to twelve films will be viewed for analysis and discussion. Characters and political, social, and artistic movements in France and other Francophone countries as reflected in the works of French-speaking film directors and writers will also be examined. Lectures and class discussions in English. All films with English subtitles. (CSU)

FREN 200 C Conversational French

2 Units

Prerequisite(s): FREN 102 C with a grade of C or better.

Term hours: 36 lecture. This is a course in conversation with emphasis on the idiomatic use of the language through French films. Topics concern French life, culture, geography, and history. Students prepare for this class through the study of the textbook, magazines, newspapers, and other current material and encounters. This course is conducted in French. Pass/No Pass/Letter Grade Option. (CSU, AA GE, CSU GE)

FREN 203 C Intermediate French III

4 Units

Prerequisite(s): FREN 102 C with a grade of C or two years of high school French with an average grade of C.

Term hours: 72 lecture This course emphasizes the acquisition of contextualized vocabulary and advanced skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students will be introduced to new cultural, socio-historic and literary material via lectures, films, French websites, readings, and writing assignments. Included is an expanded review of key grammatical concepts as well as how to discuss and offer opinions on and analysis of current events and sociocultural issues. This course is conducted in French. Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option. (UC/CSU, AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC).

FREN 204 C Intermediate French IV

4 Units

Prerequisite(s): FREN 203 C with a grade of C or three years of high school French with an average grade of C.

Term hours: 72 lecture. This course continues the development of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. It emphasizes the mastery of contextualized vocabulary as well as intermediate-advanced oral and written communication. An extended review of key grammatical concepts includes more advanced readings of cultural, socio-historical and literary texts with diverse Francophone perspectives (Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, French Polynesia). In this course, students acquire a working proficiency of the French language and an appreciation of Francophone culture that is the basis for advanced study in the humanities or sciences. This course is conducted in French. Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option. (UC/CSU, AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC).

FREN 298 C French Seminar

0.5-12 Units

Term hours: 0-216 lecture and/or 0-432 laboratory depending on units attempted. This seminar is for able students who wish to extend their knowledge of literature, language, and culture through small groups discussion. Pass/No Pass or Letter Grade Option. (CSU/UC Credit Limitation)

FREN 299 C French Independent Study

0.5-2 Units

Prerequisite(s): Approved Independent Study Learning Contract

This course is for able students who wish to increase their knowledge of language through individual study or research. Unit credit may range from 1/2 to 2 units in any given semester. Consult the class schedule to verify credit for a particular term. Pass/No Pass or Letter Grade Option. (CSU/UC Credit Limitation)

The courses taught by this department contribute to the General Education and Basic Skills Program Learning Outcomes. Please refer to General Education and Basic Skills Program Learning Outcomes.