French Courses

FRENCH 001: Elementary French I

- 5 units, Letter, 5 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, LACCD C, CSUGE C2, IGETC 6A

• This course stresses the fundamentals of French pronunciation and grammar; the building of a practical basic vocabulary; and the development of the ability to speak, understand, read, and write simple contemporary French.

FRENCH 002: Elementary French II

- 5 units, Letter, 5 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, LACCD C, CSUGE C2, IGETC 3B/6A
- Prerequisite: FRENCH 001

• This course completes the study of elementary grammar. It includes the reading of simplified texts with continued emphasis on aural and written comprehension, oral expression, and the writing of simple French. The readings consist of selections dealing with France and diverse Francophone cultures. Students will continue the study of French civilization and modern developments in the French-speaking world. Basic computer skills are necessary to access and complete online homework.

FRENCH 003: Intermediate French I

- 5 units, Letter, 5 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, LACCD C, CSUGE C2, IGETC 3B, 6A
- Prerequisite: FRENCH 002

• This intermediate course reviews the simple tenses, and explores in detail the present subjunctive, and the compound tenses. Students develop skills in reading and writing in French through work with journalistic articles, short stories and short films. This class also emphasizes the cultural heritage of France and other French-speaking countries.

FRENCH 004: Intermediate French II

- 5 units, Letter, 5 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, LACCD C, CSUGE C2, IGETC 3B, 6A

• Prerequisite: FRENCH 003

• This intermediate course reviews the simple tenses, and explores in detail the present subjunctive, and the compound tenses. Students develop skills in reading and writing in French through work with journalistic articles, short stories and short films. This class also emphasizes the cultural heritage of France and other French-speaking countries.

FRENCH 010: French Civilization

- 3 units, Letter, 3 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, IGETC 3B, CSUGE C2

A study of the geography, history, government, and institutions of France. Readings on the French and French-speaking people, their customs and way of life, their values and important contributions to world culture in scientific, intellectual, and artistic domains are also included. The course is conducted in English.

FRENCH 025: French and Francophone Short Story in Translation

- 3 units, Letter, 3 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, LACCD C, CSUGE C2, IGETC 3B

• Students explore the art of the short story by engaging in a critical survey of short stories by writers from France and from different French-speaking regions of the world. The works studied will be grounded in the region's historical, political, and cultural production from the nineteenth century to the present time. Students learn about key literary movements and authors, demonstrate understanding of the aesthetic and cultural specificity of the works studied, and develop critical reading and writing skills. The course is taught in English.

FRENCH 026: Understanding French Culture through Film

- 3 units, Letter, 3 lec, DE
- DA, CSU/UC, LACCD C, CSUGE C2, IGETC 3B

• In this course, students explore the prolific output of feature and documentary films that emphasize social and cultural themes in France. Discussions center on how French film reflects the French social, cultural, and historical climate. Students become acquainted with the evolution of French cinema from the post WWII era to the present. The course is conducted in English. Films are subtitled in English.