

Departmental Course Syllabus

Department: Foreign Languages/ESOL

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San Antonio College 1300 San Pedro San Antonio, TX 78212-4299

Course Number and Title: FREN2312 – Intermediate French II

Credit Hours: 3

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- I. Catalog Description: This fourth semester course assumes knowledge of the basic structures of the FRENCH language. The focus is on expanding students' conversational ability and vocabulary. The focus is on expanding French students' conversational ability and vocabulary. The emphasis is also on helping students gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of French history, literature, the arts, and daily life, as well as the study of other Francophone cultures. Reading and writing skills within these topic areas will also be practiced. A language laboratory is available.
- II. Pre-requisites, co-requisites and other requirements: FREN 2311 or equivalent, appropriate placement test score, or departmental approval
- III. Text: À Vous!, V. Anover / T. A. Antes, ©2008 Houghton Mifflin [wkbk & CDs are included]
or En Bonne Forme, S. Renaud, D. van Hoof, ©2007 Houghton Mifflin [wkbk & CDs are included]
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- IV. Instruction will consist of: Lecture, oral communication activities, presentations, listening, reading, writing, group work.
- V. Course Content: French 2312, an intermediate level course is a continuation of French 2311. It focuses on developing language skills in listening comprehension, speaking, reading and writing in French. It provides additional practice in reading selected texts from literature with the emphasis on writing using the grammatical structures presented in lower level classes.
- VI. Learning Outcomes and Performance Objectives with their methods of measurement are used to determine the students' mastery of those outcomes. The student should reach the Novice-mid level on the ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) scale in comprehension and speaking by the end of this course. For the description of the Novice-Mid Level consult the ACTFL web site.
- Performance objectives:
- By the end of the semester, the students will be able to
- understand all spoken French at a normal or fast pace including the language spoken by native speakers from various regions.
 - become familiar with features of the French literature and culture.
 - participate in discussions and conversations on a wide range of topics related to issues presented in literary texts.
 - use grammatical structures in speaking and writing with high level of accuracy.

- use French to present information and express opinions using complex grammatical structures.
- read a variety of texts in French including more complex authentic reading materials.
- write essays on selected topics.

Method of measurement:

There will be four major exams during the course of the semester and a comprehensive, departmental final exam. The final course grade will be determined based on the grade distribution decided by each instructor. Example grade distribution: Major exams-50%, Quizzes-15% Homework assignments 10%, Departmental Final exam 25%. A minimum of 15 hours of language lab is required during the term. Students will fulfill the lab requirement by completing the assignments in the workbook and lab manual.

VII. Course requirements and grade computation

A. College Requirements: A written, comprehensive final examination, not to exceed two and one-half hours in length, shall be given at the end of each semester for each course at the regularly scheduled time. Any exception to these requirements must be approved by the appropriate Dean. Other examinations are given at the discretion of the instructor. A student who must be absent from a final examination should petition that instructor for permission to postpone the examination. **A student absent without permission from a final examination is graded "F."** Postponed examinations result in a grade of "I." The final exam must be taken within 120 calendar days from the end of the semester or the grade automatically becomes an "F." (San Antonio College Bulletin, Faculty Handbook - January 1995)

B. Departmental Requirement: Homework: The instructor will assign written homework at the end of each class. If students are unable to attend a class, they still are responsible for completing the assignment and submitting it on the date that it is due. Punctual Attendance/Participation: It is very important for students come to class on time every day, ask and answer questions, participate in all class activities and encourage everyone else to participate. Excessive Absences: A student absent the equivalent of two weeks of instruction may be dropped from the class by the instructor with a grade of W. Also, a student may be allowed to make up the work only with the instructor's approval. Regardless of circumstances, the student will be held responsible for completion of all course requirements. Cell Phones: Students must turn off pagers and cell phones before entering classrooms and computer labs. Foreign Language students are expected to adhere to the college regulations and to their respective instructor's syllabus.

C. Instructor Requirements: See instructor's syllabus.

VIII. College Policies:

A. San Antonio College does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability with respect to access, employment programs or services.

B. Students are urged not to bring children to either a class or a lab. Minors under the age of twelve (12) must not be left unattended on campus. College Academic Council - April, 1998

C. ADA Statement: "As per Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if an accommodation is needed, contact the Office of DisABILITY Support Services, CAC 124C, Phone: (210) 733-2347.

D. A Rapid Response Team exists for the purpose of responding to emergencies. If you have a disability that will require assistance in the event of a building evacuation, notify Disability Support Services, Chance Academic Center 124C, Phone: (210) 733-2347.

E. Academic Dishonesty: Students may be subject to disciplinary proceedings resulting

in an academic penalty or disciplinary penalty for academic dishonesty. Academic Dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. For additional information refer to the "Student Code of Conduct" in the San Antonio College Bulletin.

F. Students are required to silence all electronic devices (e.g., pagers, cellular phones, iPods, etc.) when in classrooms, laboratories and the library. College Academic Council, 01/ 2000.

G. San Antonio College Attendance Policy: Regular and punctual attendance is required. A student absent for any reason is responsible for all work missed. Both tardiness and early departure from class are forms of absenteeism. The instructor establishes the policy with regard for each. Absences of each student are recorded without exception. The counting of absences begins on the first day of class. A student absent the equivalent of two weeks of instruction in a 16-week semester may be dropped by the instructor with a grade of "W" (Withdraw). It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the withdrawal has been submitted.

H. San Antonio College is a smoke free campus.

I. ACCD DPS Emergency Phone Numbers:

- ACCD DPS Emergency Phone (210) 222-0911
- ACCD DPS General Phone (210) 208-8099
- ACCD DPS Weather Phone (210) 208-8189 (For information on college closures)

J. Students must also abide by the policies, procedures, and rules set forth in the "Student Code of Conduct" and by all other policies set forth in the San Antonio College Bulletin - http://www.accd.edu/sac/sacmain/schedule/Student_Handbook_2007_2009.pdf