# FRENCH COURSES

# FR 131 Elementary French I

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Fundamentals of French pronunciation and grammar with drills in spoken and written French. Three hours of lecture per week. **Listed as FREN 1311 in the Texas Common Course Numbering System.** 

## FR 141 Elementary Business French I

(3)

Fundamental language skills with emphasis on introduction to business French in order to set up base for further comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Focus on correct habits of pronunciation and oral presentation emphasizing on the vocabulary, cultural knowledge, and linguistic tools that a student needs in order to work and succeed in an international French-speaking environment. Preparation of the DFP Affaires (Business French Certificate), level A2 or B1 (Elementary/ Intermediate) granted by the Paris International Chamber of Commerce (CCIP). Three hours of lecture per week. Practical alternative to FR 131 (Elementary French I).

## FR 132 Elementary French II

**(3)** 

Continuation of FR 131. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: FR 131. Listed as FREN 1312 in the Texas Common Course Numbering System.

### FR 142 Elementary Business French II

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Continuation of FR 141. Pre-requisite: FR 141. Students will have the option to take the DFP Affaires A2 or B1 upon completion of the FR 142 course. Practical alternative to FR 132. (Elementary French II). Three hours of lecture per week.

## FR 231 Intermediate French I

(3)

Review of French pronunciation and grammar using a reader and more advanced classroom and laboratory materials. Two hours of lecture and one hour of laboratory per week. Prerequisite: FR 132. **Listed as FREN 2311 in the Texas Common Course Numbering System.** 

## FR 241 Intermediate Business French I

(3)

Strengthening of the language skills acquired in Elementary French I and II or in Elementary Business French I and II to give way to active communications in a French business-oriented context. This course will particularly focus on providing practice in the 4 language skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing. Emphasis will be placed on the vocabulary, cultural knowledge, and linguistic skills and tools that a student needs in order to work and succeed in an international French-speaking environment. Preparation of the DFP Affaires (Business French Certificate), level B2 or C1 (Intermediate/Advanced) granted by the Paris International Chamber of Commerce (CCIP). Practical Alternative to FR 231 (Intermediate French I). Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 141 and FR 142 or FR 131 and FR 132.

## FR 232 Intermediate French II

(3)

Continuation of FR 231. Two hours of lecture and one hour of laboratory per week. Prerequisite: FR 231. **Listed as FREN 2312 in the Texas Common Course Numbering System.** 

### FR 242 Intermediate Business French II

**(3)** 

Continuation of French 241. Students will have the option to take the DFP Affaires B2 or C1 upon completion of the FR 242 course. Practical alternative to FR 232. (Elementary French II). Three hours of lecture per week. Pre-requisite: FR 241.

### FR 331 French Review of Grammar and Composition

**(3)** Review of French grammar with emphasis on the more difficult structures and idioms. Concurrent practice in conversation and diction provided. Conducted in both English and French. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 or

FR 242, or consent of the instructor.

#### FR 335 Scientific French

Individualized readings in the physical, natural, and social sciences to familiarize students with the specialized vocabulary of their field in translating from French to English. Graduate students may substitute the passing of this course with a grade of "B" or better for the graduate foreign language reading examination. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242, or consent of the instructor.

### FR 336 **African Francophone Literature**

Survey of major works of African Francophone writers from the French colonization to post-independent times. Conducted in both English and French. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242 or consent of the instructor.

### FR 347 **Contemporary France I**

(3)

Study of French institutions and movements since the beginning of the twentieth century, including transportation, politics, education, geography, industrialization, social classes, world wars, and fine arts. Conducted in both English and French. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242, or consent of the instructor.

#### FR 348 **Contemporary Francophone Film**

Analysis of contemporary Francophone movies and comparison of Francophone cultures through film. Conducted in both English and French. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242, or consent of the instructor.

### FR 432 **Business French**

Designed to present specialized vocabulary, methods, and techniques pertaining to how to conduct French business, to enable students to prepare business documents and letters. Conducted in both English and French. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242, or consent of the instructor.

### FR 438 **Directed Study**

(3)

Study of a single topic, particular work, or author under the direction of a faculty member. Prior approval for enrollment needed from the Faculty Chair. May be retaken for credit. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242, or consent of the instructor.

### FR 439 French Influence in Africa

**(3)** 

Study of the importance of the French presence in French-speaking African countries utilizing critical and analytical approaches that will allow students to acquire an understanding of the language and culture of contemporary French Africa. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: FR 231 and FR 232 or FR 241 and FR 242, or consent of the instructor.