# The University of Western Ontario Department of French Studies

FRENCH 1010 COURSE OUTLINE 2012-2013

**Prerequisite**: French 1002 or perm

# **REQUIRED MATERIALS:**

\*Please purchase the *Mais oui!* package for <u>main campus</u> only. The other *Mais oui!* packages are for the affiliated colleges.

**1.** <u>Mais oui!</u> package, Thompson, Phillips, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, (Houghton Mifflin 2009) The package contains the following 2

# **LISTENING COMPREHENSION TESTS - 30 minutes (2x5% = 10%)**

There will be 2 Listening Comprehension Tests, each worth 5%. The Tests are administered in the Language Learning Centre once per term. The format will include a variety of exercises similar to those found in the textbook and the *InPrint* Coursepack.

# **CREATIVE WRITING SPEECHES - 1 to 2 minutes (4x2.5% = 10%)**

Each student will give 4 creative writing speeches during the year. These will be marked for content (1%), grammar and spelling (1%), and pronunciation (.5%). Specific details will be given in class. Subjects are as follows:

### 1.

You are introducing yourself to the class.

Suggestions O

living quarters. My possible plans for the future. What music I like. What sports I like. Other interests, goals or accomplishments. Current employment? Family life and members, pets. Other hobbies. Opinions of student life so far.

# 2. Une soirée avec mes amis / mes parents.

You remember a great, (or not-so-great) night out with friends or family. Suggestions O Who was with you? Where did you go? One, two or three activities? Restaurant how was the food, service and decor? Movie how was the film, venue and performances on-screen? Give a review or description. Dancing/clubbing Where did you go? How was the venue? Live band or DJ? Review the music you heard, describe the ambiance. When did you get home?

# 3. Un voyage prometteur.

You are planning a trip with friends or family.

Suggestions O Where are you going? How are you travelling? Who will come with you? Where and how long will you stay? Are you meeting/visiting friends and/or family? What activities are you planning? What will you do when you first get there? If

#### 4. Une lettre officielle.

You are applying for a job this summer and you have to write a cover letter. Suggestions O Who do you address the letter to? What kind of job is it? What are your qualifications? When are you available? What personal qualities are an asset for the job? What previous experience do you have? Any diplomas or certificates to mention? Any other skills that would increase your chances of getting the job?

## **Important Note:**

Here is a link for the downloadable *Student Medical Certificate* (SMC), which should be brought with you to your medical appointment in case of illness:

# https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/index.cfm under the Medical Documentation heading on this page.

Please also note the following university regulation:

A student is entitled to be examined in courses in which registration is maintained, subject to the following limitations:

- a) A student may be debarred from writing the final examination for failure to maintain satisfactory standing throughout the year.
- b) Any student who, in the opinion of the instructor, is absent too frequently from class or laboratory periods in any course, will be reported to the Dean, (after due warning has been given). On the recommendation of the Department concerned, and with the permission of the Dean, the student will be debarred from taking the regular examination in the course\*.

  \*\*Academic Handbook\*\*

# FINAL EXAM - 3 hours (30%)

A written Final Exam in the April 2013 exam period. There is no exam in the December 2012 exam period.

## **INFORMATION ON LAB ASSIGNMENTS:**

Language Learning Centre, University College, Room 186 and Room 188

Check your timetable for the time and location of the Lab hour for your section.

**Please note:** You must attend the lab section corresponding to your lecture section. You need a special permission from the Course Director in case you wish to attend a lab section different than the one assigned to your lecture section. You must have a valid reason to request such a special permission (for example, a documented timetable conflict). *Evening sections cannot change their lab hour under any circumstances.* 

The Lab assignments in the Language Learning Centre involve audio and written exercises in your <u>InPrint</u> Coursepack, as well as on-line exercises and instruction through the <u>TellMeMore</u> program. You will also write the <u>Listening Comprehension</u> Tests in the lab, and do other supplementary exercises with your lab instructor.

You should therefore bring your *InPrint* Coursepack to each Lab session.

Room 186 can also be used for independent study on a first-come, first-served basis if

<sup>\*</sup> Last year, 2 students in French 1010 failed the course due to excessive absences.

# **INFORMATION ON TELLMEMORE AND DELF CONTENT IN THE COURSE:**

Some course material and the TellMeMore program include content which reflects the , or DELF, requirements.

At the end of French 1010, you may be skilled enough to write either the DELF A1 or A2 French proficiency test in order to obtain a diploma certifying your French language skills.

Please consult <a href="http://www.uwo.ca/french/undergraduate/langcourses.html">http://www.uwo.ca/french/undergraduate/langcourses.html</a> for more information.

## WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US:

As instructors we commit ourselves to being on time, well-prepared, and available for consultation. We strive to create a classroom atmosphere where each student is respected and feels comfortable participating. We undertake to provide clear guidelines about what is required in the course and to apply these guidelines with fairness to all students in all sections.

# **WHAT WE EXPECT FROM YOU:**

# WEEKLY CLASS PROGRAM TERM 1

Date	In the Classroom	In the Lab	
Week 1a	Introduction to the course	No Lab	
Sept 7	InPrint Grammar review		
Week 1b	Introduction to the course	Introduction to the Lab	
Sept 10-14	InPrint Grammar review		
Week 2	InPrint Grammar review	Introduction and registration for	
Sept 17-21	Chapitre 8	TellMeMore	
Week 3	Chapitre 8	TellMeMore, Exercises	
Sept 24-28	speech 1		
Week 4	Chapitre 8	TellMeMore + Chapitre 8 (InPrint)	
Oct 1-5	speech 1		
Week 5	Thanksgiving Holiday Monday	TellMeMore, Exercises	
Oct 8-12	Journées libres*		
Week 6	Chapitre 8	Chapitre 8 (OWL)	
Oct 15-19	speech 1		
Week 7	Test 1 Chapitre 8	TellMeMore, Exercises	
Oct 22-26	Chapitre 9		
	speech 1		
Week 8	Test Correction	TellMeMore, Exercises	
Oct 29-Nov 2	Chapitre 9		
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Week 9	Chapitre 9	TellMeMore + Chapitre 9 (InPrint)	
Nov 5-9	speech 2	0 (014)	
Week 10	Chapitre 9	Chapitre 9 (OWL)	
Nov 12-16	speech 2		
Week 11	Test 2 Chapitre 9	TellMeMore, Exercises	
Nov 19-23	Chapitre 10		
	speech 2		

Date

### IMPORTANT ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

### 1. Plagiarism, Cheating and Other Scholastic Offences

directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf. [1]

from in UWO Scholastic Offence Policy [2]), to be a serious scholastic offence and will apply the UWO policy to deal with all cases detected.

Sometimes students commit plagiarism without being fully aware they are doing so. It is

to take steps to avoid committing this scholastic offence by learning how to make proper use of sources. If you are uncertain about how to acknowledge sources you have used, consult your instructor before submitting the assignment. The UWO Ombuds Office publishes a useful guide that will help you avoid committing a mistake of this nature that could have serious consequences. [3]

may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com

Other forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating on tests and examinations, will also be dealt with seriously according to the terms of University policy.

Please note that when evidence of a scholastic offence is detected, it is the Chair of the Department (or designate) who directs the investigation, and who makes a finding and imposes a penalty if the student is found to be guilty. The policy [2] outlines the process

# 2. Prerequisites and Antirequisites

written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you will be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course

- Please note that you are responsible for ensuring that you have successfully completed the prerequisites for this course. Lack of prerequisites cannot be used as grounds for an appeal. You are responsible for ensuring that this course is not an anti-requisite for another course you have already taken.
- The French Placement Test is a mandatory requirement for any student taking a French course for the first time at Western who has not successfully completed Grade 12U French. You must submit the results of the test to the Department of French Studies office so that they will appear on your academic record. The Department of French Studies reserves the right to place you in a course that is appropriate to your level, based on the level of secondary school French you have completed. For example, if you

- have completed grade 12U French, you will not normally be eligible to enroll in French 1002 or 1010.
- Under no circumstances will a student will be allowed to take a language course in the series 1002, 1010, 1900E/1910, 2900, 2905A/B-2906A/B or 3900, concurrently with another language course that is a prerequisite for it.

## 3. Where to Go for Help

- The website of the Office of the Registrar is a valuable resource for information about many administrative aspects of your studies at Western: http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/
- If you have any concerns about your progress with the academic material in a course, you should not hesitate to contact your instructor.

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### 5. Debarment from Final Examination for Excessive Unjustified Absence

- With the exception of distance studies and on-line courses, attendance in all classes is an obligatory component of all courses in the Department of French Studies.
- The UWO Handbook of Academic and Scholarship Policy [5] states the following: Any student who, in the opinion of the instructor, is absent too frequently from class or laboratory periods in any course will be reported to the Dean of the Faculty offering the course (after due warning has been given). On the recommendation of the Department concerned, and with the permission of the Dean of that Faculty, the student will be debarred from taking the regular examination in the course. The Dean of the Faculty offering the course will communicate that decision to the Dean of the Faculty of registration.

# 6. Academic Appeals

- The UWO Handbook of Academic and Scholarship Policy sets out the policy for grade appeals [6]
- Students should note that the first step to take if they wish to contest a mark is to discuss the matter with the instructor. A student who wishes to pursue an appeal after consulting the instructor must appeal in writing to the Undergraduate Chair of the Department of French Studies, Dr. Karin Schwerdtner, kschwerd@uwo.ca.
- Instructors in the Department of French Studies will **not** entertain requests to have a

mark for external reasons (e.g. maintaining a scholarship or gaining admission to a professional school or other academic program). In order to be given consideration, any academic appeal or informal request for reconsideration of a grade must be based on appropriate grounds of the kind set out in the UWO appeals policy.

### 7. References

- [1] http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/exam/crsout.pdf
- [2] http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf
- [3] http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/student/cheating.html