Western University Department of French Studies

FRENCH 1002 COURSE OUTLINE 2014-2015

You can print this page and fill in instructor information.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Department based on the Placement Test. **Antirequisite**: Former versions of 1002, Grade 11U French or equivalent.

Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may 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 for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

Academic Handbook

FINAL COMPOSITION (5%)

A Composition is due at the end of the second term. The Composition is an integral part of the Oral Test. The subject and length is as follows:

La fin des cours! Donnez votre opinion des cours, de vos amis et de l'année en général. Expliquez vos projets pour l'été.

(a variety of tenses) **150 words**, every other line.

Important Note: The composition is to be done <u>on your own</u>. You may use as many dictionaries as you want, but **you cannot have any outside help**, not even for proofreading.

Please make sure you write the minimum amount of words for the composition, as there is a penalty for compositions that are too short.

As the Composition is an integral part of the Oral Test, a 2% per working day penalty for late submission will apply *plus* a 40% automatic penalty in the Oral Test mark if you do not have your Composition ready on the day of your Oral Test.

CLASSROOM AND LAB ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION (10% + 5%)

Regular attendance and active participation in class and in the Language Lab are essential ingredients for success in any language course. We assume you are studying French because you want to listen, speak and interact with others using the language. A credit in French 1002 signifies not just that you have passed written examinations, but that class and in the lab for a certain number of hours.

Your Attendance and Participation mark for the classroom and the lab includes +/- 1% for <u>active</u> participation. At the end of the Academic Year, individual instructors can slightly increase or decrease by 1% your Class and/or Lab Attendance mark, based on your participation level during class/lab time. These calculations discretion and cannot be appealed. Instructors will not reward beyond 10/10 (class) or 5/5 (lab), and will not penalize below 0/10 (class) or 0/5 (lab).

Attendance for each class and lab session will be recorded, so it is important to **arrive** on time and stay until the end of class.

Each **unjustified** one-hour class or lab absence will result in a deduction of 0.5% from the Attendance and Participation mark, and a two-hour class absence results in a 1% deduction. If you miss **20 hours or more** of class time (10% of your mark) or **10 hours or more** of lab time (5% of your mark) during the academic year, your Attendance and Participation mark will be **zero** in class/lab, and you will receive a warning message from the course coordinator.

Please advise your instructor **by email** in cases of unavoidable absence, such as serious illness or family emergencies.

Be prepared to provide a good reason or excuse to your **Instructor** for justification of

If you have 3 days of <i>nonconsecutive</i> short-term absences, <i>any</i> subsequent absences after that require documentation to your

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

In order to help the class and lab function smoothly and to ensure the best possible learning conditions for all, students are asked to exercise courtesy and cooperation in the following ways:

- 1. Arrive on time and stay until the class or lab is dismissed. If you arrive late, please let the instructor know, and make sure you are counted for attendance. If you must leave early for an important reason, please let the instructor know this beforehand.
- 2. **Raise your hand** to indicate that you have a question or an answer to contribute. Participation is heartily encouraged, but only one person can be heard at a time. Please don't interrupt the instructor or another student who is speaking.
- 3. **Please don't talk to your neighbours**, even to consult about the lesson. No matter how quietly you are speaking, others, including the instructor, may find it distracting. There will be times when you are asked to work in pairs or in groups. Then, of course, you will be speaking to other students. Once the instructor announces the end of that activity, please stop your individual discussions and return your attention to the class.
- 4. Come to class prepared

WEEKLY CLASS

Policy on Accommodation for Medical Illness:

https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/index.cfm

Students seeking academic accommodation on medical grounds for any missed tests, exams, participation components and/or assignments worth 10% or more of their final grade must apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty and provide documentation. Academic accommodation cannot be granted by the instructor or department. Please note that in all courses offered by the Department of French Studies, this same requirement will also apply to assignments worth less than 10% of the final grade. Final examinations must be written at the scheduled time unless formal alternative arrangements for a Special Examination have been approved (by the instructor, the Department and

A downloadable Student Medical Certificate can be found here: https://studentservices.uwo.ca under the Medical Documentation heading.

Support services

Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to Mental Health@Western http://www.health.uwo.ca/mental_health for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.

Statement on Plagiarism, Cheating and other Scholastic Offences

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence in the Academic Handbook available on the Academic Calendar website, here: http://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/2014/pg113.html

Policy on Attendance

tructor, 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