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**Please, TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONES**

**French 101 will be taught in person.** However, because of Covid pandemic, UWSP **may** have to return online using Canvas. In all World Languages classes, we will be following **UWSP Covid-19 protocols**. Please, **visit UWSP site** periodically for any changes to this:

**Face Coverings:**

- At all UW-Stevens Point campus locations, the wearing of face coverings is **optional but encouraged** in all buildings, including classrooms, laboratories, studios, and other instructional spaces. UWSP recommends that students get vaccinated and get covid boosters.

**Other Guidance:**

- Please monitor your own health each day using this screening tool. If you are not feeling well or believe you have been exposed to COVID-19, do not come to class; email your instructor and contact Student Health Service (715-346-4646).
- As with any type of absence, students are expected to communicate their need to be absent and complete the course requirements as outlined in the syllabus.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer regularly and avoid touching your face.

**TEXT RENTAL** *Deux Mondes* by Terrell, Rogers, Kerr, and Spielmann (8th edition)

Suggested: A good French/English dictionary

You **may** purchase an Access Code for the workbook with McGraw Hill

<https://mhedu.force.com/CXG/s/>

You **must come to class** with your textbook, prepared and ready to participate. It is better to study 50 minutes every night than 8 hours before the exam. Cramming does not work in French..

The French 101 classroom is designed to create a **pleasant** and **comfortable atmosphere** in which students show **respect** for each other and for the instructor.

**Attendance is mandatory !** -You will be allowed **3** unexcused absences. At the third one, you will need a valid excuse. Otherwise, your grade will be lowered by a grade or more depending on the number of absences. Excessive absences can result into an F. If you need to be absent, talk to me before you leave.

**EXAMS** Usually every other chapter. I will give you the format and review before the exam  
 Cell phones must be turned off during the entire exam to prevent cheating.

The following excuses are *NOT* valid ones for missing classes or exams:

The dog ate my homework. / I lost my book. / I washed my hair... and I could not come to class because it was freezing. / My roommate took my bike. / I had a date last night.

Valid excuses must come from your advisor, the dean's office, another professor, or the coach.

## Grades

Two Exams	40%	A 100-95	A- 93-91	
Final exam	40%	B+ 90-89	B 88-83	B- 82-81
Class work; quizzes	20%	C+ 80-79	C 78-73	C- 72-71
		D+ 70-68	D 67-60	F 59 and under

**Classroom Behavior** The French 101 classroom is designed to create a **pleasant** and **comfortable atmosphere** in which students show **respect** for each other and for the instructor.

### 1 Please **TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONES AND/OR ANY OTHER FORM OF ELECTRONIC MEDIA BEFORE THE START of each class**

Please **DO NOT CARRY ON PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS IN CLASS**. It is **DISRUPTIVE**. Please **REFRAIN** from using any **OBSCENE GESTURES AND/OR LANGUAGE** in classroom.

**GOALS:** To develop an active use of French and to build on knowledge acquired in previous classes through

- **Listening** (conversations, videos, CDs)
- **Speaking** (conversations, oral presentations, short discussions, etc.)
- **Reading** (short texts written in French)
- **Writing** (clear expression of familiar and abstract topics with control of verb tenses and other grammatical constructions)
- **Culture** (learning to understand cultural differences and similarities)

### HOW TO SUCCEED IN THIS COURSE

- come to class regularly and be prepared for each class
- **Redo at home what we covered in class.** Review daily material from previous weeks.
- participate as actively as you can in French in class
- memorize new vocabulary and learn to use the grammar sections and dictionaries as reference tools.
- ask for help or advice when needed.

## DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES FRENCH, GERMAN AND SPANISH 101 and 102 LEARNING OUTCOMES

<u>GOALS</u>	<u>With diligent effort on their part, students will be able to:</u>
<b>1. Communication</b>	<b>1a.</b> participate in conversations about a wide variety of everyday topics, social themes and situations, along with culture and literature of countries that speak the target language.
	<b>1b.</b> ask and answer questions in the target language.
	<b>1c.</b> demonstrate an emerging ability to narrate and describe in the major time frames of the present, past, and future tenses.
	<b>1d.</b> demonstrate a developing ability to give instructions and commands.

<b>2. Cultures</b>	<b>2a.</b> identify common values, viewpoints, social beliefs, along with practices of the target culture.
	<b>2b.</b> demonstrate an awareness and acknowledgement of another people's way of life.
<b>3. Connections</b>	<b>3a.</b> demonstrate that they can reinforce and further their knowledge of other disciplines through their knowledge of the target language and culture along with acquiring information and learning to recognize distinctive viewpoints.
	<b>3b.</b> demonstrate an understanding that learning a foreign language is a doorway to a social medium that provides new information and perspectives about other ways of life.
<b>4. Comparisons</b>	<b>4a.</b> recognize that learning a foreign language does not simply involve a one to one translation from one's first language.
	<b>4b.</b> recognize that learning a foreign language involves utilizing multiple communication skills in order to address common and specific needs.
	<b>4c.</b> demonstrate an understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the target culture(s) and their own.
<b>5. Communities</b>	<b>5a.</b> use the target language with an appreciation of the target culture beyond the classroom setting.
	<b>5b.</b> appreciate the complexities of intercultural and interpersonal communication between and within languages.
	<b>5c.</b> empathize with target language communities that exist within and outside of areas where the target language is of the majority.

## PLACEMENT EXAM

Please check with the Academic Department Associate in the Department of Foreign Languages office (Room 490 CCC) if you need to take the placement exam.

**DEPARTMENT ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Regular attendance is essential to your success in learning a foreign language. **If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to complete the assignment and attend the next class fully prepared. Please find out from a classmate or from the instructor what is to be done.** Departmental policy authorizes a deduction of 1 point per absence from the **final exam score.**

**Week**

1 Sep 5, 6, 7	Introduction-Syllabus-Chpt préliminaire
2 Sep 11, 12, 13, 14	Chpt préliminaire -Chp 1
3 Sep 18, 19, 20, 21	Chp 1
4 Sep 25, 26, 27, 28	Chp 1 <b>Examen 1</b>
5 Oct 2, 3, 4, 5	Chp 2
6 Oct 9, 10, 11, 12	Chp 2
7 Oct 16, 17, 18, 19	Chp 2
8 Oct 23, 24, 25, 26	Chp 3
9 Nov 30, 31, 1, 2	Chp 3 <b>Examen 2</b>
10 Nov 6, 7, 8, 9	Chp 4
11 Nov 13, 14, 15, 16	Chp 4-5
12 Nov 20, 21	Chp 5 <b>Thanksgiving Nov 23-26</b>
13 Nov 27, 28, 29, 30	Chp 5
14 Dec 4, 5, 6, 7	Chp 5 Review
15 Dec 11, 12, 13, 14	Review for Final Exam.

**Final Exam French 101-001 Wed, Dec 20 8:00-10:00 am CCC 304**