

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE  
DEPARTMENT OF ARTS, EDUCATION AND COMMERCE

1996-97  
FRENCH 1500  
COURSE OUTLINE

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- Office Hours: TBA
- Course Title: First Year University French  
(Full Year Course - 6 credits)
- Prerequisite: French 30 or equivalent  
**Please note:** *Francophone and immersion students should enrol in FR1650/1660.*
- Class Times: Monday, Wednesday, Friday @ 09:00 - 09:50  
Lab Times: TBA
- Classroom: E 302 (including labs)
- Texts:
- 1) Hirsch et. al. Ensuite: Cours intermédiaire de français, 2e éd., 1993
  - 2) Hirsch et. al. Ensuite: Cahier de laboratoire et d'exercices écrits, 2e éd., 1993
  - 3) A high quality (normal bias) c60 cassette tape (eg. Sony, TDK, etc.)
  - 4) Recommended: A good French/English - English/French dictionary.

Course Description:

First year University French provides for continuing growth toward proficiency in each of the four language skill areas: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Class time is devoted to oral and written work in theoretical and applied grammar, reading and discussion.

As the approach taken in this course is, to a significant degree, communicative, oral and written assignments and in-class activities provide opportunities for both free and controlled expression. Classes will be conducted in French.

The Ensuite program provides opportunities for you to become more familiar with basic French forms (such as verb tenses, adjectives, etc.) and more at ease in carrying out tasks using these forms (such as asking and answering questions, describing and narrating in past, present and future time frames, dealing with common life situations and those having a complication, expressing opinions, and hypothesizing). The readings and accompanying exercises provide additional skill-building opportunities and introduce you to aspects of French culture and civilization.

All classes are held in E302. This facility doubles as a classroom and language laboratory. Its multipurpose design allows us to vary our activities during any given period. However, essentially three hours per week (the M, W, F classes) will centre on the grammar and communicative activities while the lab period(s) will be devoted to the readings and to completion of lab (tapes and manual) and workbook exercises. Bear in mind that the scheduled lab times may not provide sufficient opportunity for you to practise; you will probably need to spend additional personal time in the laboratory or at home on these materials.

Attendance at labs is just as important as attendance at the M, W, F classes. Your attendance will be checked and your work marked.

Assignments:

In French 1500, the emphasis will be on many assignments rather than a few major ones.

Most exercises in the textbook and workbook are to be completed; some are to be handed in.

You will be required to complete 10 of the 18 "compositions" which occur at the ends of the Ensuite chapters. Five are to be written and handed in (150-200 words); five different ones are to be presented orally in front of the class. Strict adherence to due dates will be required.

Extra-Curricular  
Activities:

Language acquisition depends on contact with and use of the language. You are, therefore, urged to avail yourself of every possible opportunity to listen to, speak and read French. Here are some suggestions:

- 1) Speak French at all times in French class and with fellow French students and French-speaking staff.
- 2) Find a classmate(s) to work with on a regular basis in completing assignments and preparing for exams.
- 3) Watch French television and videos.
- 4) Listen to French radio.
- 5) Read French newspapers, magazines and other materials available in the Library.
- 6) Participate in French activities.
- 7) Visit with the instructor.

Attendance and  
Participation:

This course stresses oral/aural skills as well as structures and vocabulary most readily acquired in a communication context. Thus your habits related to punctuality, attendance and participation in class will undoubtedly manifest themselves in your grades.

Calculation of  
Final Grade:

Compositions (Oral and written)	10%
Lab work (attendance & <u>Cahier</u> )	10%
October Exam	15%
December Exam	15%
February Exam	15%
Final Exam	25%
Short Tests	<u>10%</u>
	100%

Note: The four exams include both oral and written parts. A major portion of the oral part consists of preparing and presenting one of the "Jeux de rôles" activities found in the exercises of the Ensuite chapters.

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SEMAINE DU	CHAPITRE	TESTS ET EXAMENS	DATES LIMITES POUR LES 10 COMPOSITIONS
3 sept (le 2 = Labour Day) (les 3 et 4 = Orientation)	Introduction		
9 sept.	Chapitre 1		
16 sept.	Chapitre 2	Chapitre 1	
23 sept.	Chapitres 2/3	Chapitre 2	1ère Comp. (Chap. 1 ou 2): le 27 sept. au plus tard
30 sept.	Chapitre 3		
7 oct.	Chapitre 4	Chapitre 3	
15 oct. (le 14 = Thanksgiving)	Chapitres 4/5	Chapitre 4	2 <sup>e</sup> Comp. - (Chap 3 ou 4): le 18 oct. au plus tard
21 oct.	Chapitre 5	Chapitre 5	
28 oct.	Chapitre 7	<b>EXAMEN DE MI-SEMESTRE</b> (inc. Jeux de rôles)	
4 nov.	Chapitre 6	Chapitre 7	3 <sup>e</sup> Comp. (Chap. 5 ou 7): le 8 nov. au plus tard
12 nov. (le 11 = Remembrance Day)	Chapitre 8	Chapitre 6	
18 nov.	Chapitres 8/9	Chapitre 8	4 <sup>e</sup> Comp. (Chap. 6 ou 8): le 22 nov. au plus tard
25 nov.	Chapitre 9		
2 déc.		Chapitre 9 <b>Jeux de rôles</b>	5 <sup>e</sup> Comp. (Chap. 9 ou autre): le 6 décembre au plus tard

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9 dec.		EXAMEN DE MI-ANNEE	
6 janv.	Chapitre 10		
13 janv.	Chapitre 11	Chapitre 10	6 <sup>e</sup> Comp. (Chap. 9 ou 10): le 17 janvier au plus tard
20 janv.	Chapitre 12	Chapitre 11	
27 janv.	Chapitre 13	Chapitre 12	7 <sup>e</sup> Comp. - (Chap. 11 ou 12): le 31 janvier au plus tard
3 fév.	Chapitre 13/14	Chapitre 13	
10 fév.	Chapitre 14	Chapitre 14	
18 fév (le 17 - Family Day)	Chapitre 15	EXAMEN DE MI-SEMESTRE (inc. Jeux de rôles)	
24 fév.	WINTER BREAK	-PAS DE CLASSE	
3 mars	Chapitre 15		8 <sup>e</sup> Comp. (Chap. 13 ou 14): le 4 mars au plus tard
10 mars	Chapitre 16	Chapitre 15	
17 mars	Chapitre 17	Chapitre 16	9 <sup>e</sup> Comp. - (Chap. 15 ou 16) le 21 mars au plus tard
24 mars (le 28 - Good Friday)	Chapitre 18	Chapitre 17	
31 mars	Chapitre 18		10 <sup>e</sup> Comp. - (Chap 17 ou 18) le 4 avril au plus tard
7 avril	Révisions	Jeux de rôles	