

Course Description and Syllabus
French 1003, Fall 2014 M·W·F

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Welcome to French 1003!

Please read the following information carefully to ensure your success in this course.

Have fun learning French!

Required Course Materials

Course package that has the textbook, *Points de départ* (2012: Pons, Scullen, Valdman), the workbook, the "MyFrenchLab" access code, and a dictionary.

Course Objectives

French 1003 is the first-semester French course at the University of Arkansas and assumes no previous knowledge of the language. Students who have taken two or more years of high-school French should consult their instructor regarding appropriate placement. The course is taught in **French** and you will practice the four basic skills for language development: *Listening*, *Speaking*, *Reading*, and *Writing* in addition to exploring the cultures of French-speaking peoples around the world.

Grading Scale

Your grade will be calculated according to the following scale: A: 100-90, B: 89-80, C: 79-70, D: 69-60, F: 59 and below.

Grade Breakdown

Participation	20%
Homework	10%
Quizzes	15%
Compositions (2)	10%
Exams (5)	25%
Final Exam	20%

Participation (20% of Course Grade)

Participation grades will be assigned on a weekly basis. You will be expected to prepare all the assignments indicated in parentheses on your syllabus in advance, and participate actively in class discussions and activities. You may earn up to 10 points per day, for a total of 30 points per week. Disruptive behavior (e.g. speaking in English, using your cell phones/texting, excessive talking, or any other conduct that your instructor considers to be disruptive or inappropriate) as well as a refusal to participate in class activities will seriously impact your participation grade. If you are absent, you cannot earn a grade for participation.

Attendance: Language learning is cumulative—each lesson builds on preceding ones. Regular attendance and daily preparation are thus extremely important. You are allowed a total of 3 absences without penalty during the semester. For each subsequent absence, the final grade for the course will be lowered by 1%. If you miss class for whatever reason, you are responsible for finding out what was done that day and for being ready to participate fully in the following class. Being in class on time is vital to your success in this class.

Homework (10% of Course Grade)

Your instructor will assign daily homework. You are expected to follow your instructor's directions to the letter on preparing your homework. Homework assignments must be submitted at the beginning of class and will be graded for accuracy. **Late homework will not be accepted.**

Quizzes (15% of Course Grade)

Vocabulary and grammar quizzes will be administered on a regular basis. No make-ups are allowed for a missed quiz. Your instructor will drop the lowest two grades in this category at the end of the semester.

Compositions (10% of Course Grade)

There will be 2 compositions to be written for this course. The first draft of both compositions will be written in class. On the first draft, your instructor will comment on the organization and content of the composition, assess vocabulary usage, indicate grammatical errors, and assign a preliminary grade. It will be your responsibility to critically analyze your work. You will then rewrite your compositions. When you submit your revision, be sure to attach the original

composition to the back of the revision. The final grade for the compositions will be the average of the rough draft and revision grades.

Exams (25% of Course Grade)

There will be five (5) written exams during the semester. No make-ups are allowed.

Final Exam (20% of Course Grade)

There will be a **Comprehensive Final Exam** comprising all topics covered in the course during the semester. The final exam will have both a written and an oral component. The written exam will be administered on **Thursday, December 18, 2014 (10:15 am -12:15 pm)** and the oral exam (a 10 minute interview with an instructor other than your own) will take place the week of November 17).

Inclement Weather

In the case of inclement weather, your instructor will make every effort to be in class. You should strive to do the same. Excused absences will be granted whenever the university officially closes.

Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty involves acts that may subvert or compromise the integrity of the educational or research process at the University of Arkansas, when such acts have been performed by a UA student. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, any act by which a student gains or attempts to gain an academic advantage for him/herself or another by misrepresenting his/her or another's work or by interfering with the independent completion, submission, or evaluation of academic work. Academic dishonesty may include those acts defined as research or scholarly misconduct; such academic integrity issues are subject to review under this policy as well as under the University's *Research and Scholarly Misconduct Policy*. Which policy applies to particular allegations is addressed in more detail at <http://provost.uark.edu/245.php>. If necessary, the Research Integrity Officer, in consultation with the student's dean, shall determine which policy is most appropriate for a given case. Here are some examples of academic dishonesty that might occur in foreign language classes: copying from another student's paper during an exam, obtaining help from others to complete any assigned exercises, submitting a composition written partially or completely by another person, getting help from a French native speaker, using translation software, cutting-and-pasting French text from the Internet.

!!!!!! Please note the following **important dates**: The last day to drop a full semester course without having a grade of W show on the official record is September 8. The last day to drop a full semester course (with the mark of W; no fee adjustment) is November 21.

Syllabus 1003, Automne 2014

Semaine du	Lundi	Mercredi	Vendredi
25 août	Introduction au cours <i>Ch. préliminaire</i> Première partie: 3-5	<i>Ch. préliminaire</i> Première partie: 6-13 à préparer: 20-21	<i>Ch. préliminaire</i> Seconde partie: 13-16
1 ^{er} septembre	Vacances (Labor day)	<i>Ch. préliminaire</i> Seconde partie: 16-19	<i>Chapitre 1</i> Leçon 1: 23-28 à préparer: 52-53
8 septembre	<i>Chapitre 1</i> Leçon 1: 28-32	<i>Chapitre 1</i> Leçon 2: 33-39	<i>Chapitre 1</i> Leçon 2: 39-42
15 septembre	<i>Chapitre 1</i> Leçon 3: 43-49	<i>Chapitre 1</i> Leçon 3: 49-51	Révision
22 septembre	Examen 1	<i>Chapitre 2</i> Leçon 1: 55-61 à préparer: 82-83	<i>Chapitre 2</i> Leçon 1: 61-64
29 septembre	<i>Chapitre 2</i> Leçon 2: 65-70	<i>Chapitre 2</i> Leçon 2: 70-72	<i>Chapitre 2</i> Leçon 3: 73-78
6 octobre	<i>Chapitre 2</i> Leçon 3: 78-81	Révision Rédaction 1	Examen 2
13 octobre	<i>Chapitre 3</i> Leçon 1: 85-90 à préparer: 110-111	<i>Chapitre 3</i> Leçon 1: 90-93	<i>Chapitre 3</i> Leçon 2: 94-100 à rendre: rédaction 1
20 octobre	Vacances	<i>Chapitre 3</i> Leçon 2: 100-101	<i>Chapitre 3</i> Leçon 3: 102-107
27 octobre	<i>Chapitre 3</i> Leçon 3: 107-109 Révision	Examen 3	<i>Chapitre 4</i> Leçon 1: 113-119 à préparer: 142-143
3 novembre	<i>Chapitre 4</i> Leçon 1: 120-123	<i>Chapitre 4</i> Leçon 2: 124-131	<i>Chapitre 4</i> Leçon 2: 131-133
10 novembre	<i>Chapitre 4</i> Leçon 3: 133-139	<i>Chapitre 4</i> Leçon 3: 139-141	Révision Rédaction 2
17 novembre (orals)	Examen 4	<i>Chapitre 5</i> Leçon 1: 145-151 A préparer: 174-175	<i>Chapitre 5</i> Leçon 1: 152-155
24 novembre	<i>Chapitre 5</i> Leçon 1: 156-162	Vacances	Vacances
2 décembre	<i>Chapitre 5</i> Leçon 2: 163-165	<i>Chapitre 5</i> Leçon 3: 166-170 à rendre: rédaction 2	<i>Chapitre 5</i> Leçon 3: 171-173
8 décembre	Révision	Examen 5	Dead day