Bienvenue en FR 203

In light of the ongoing COVID 19 outbreak, this course will be taught remotely. This program is the "remote" version of our regular Face to Face class. To ensure that you can all fully participate and access the materials whenever you can, this course will be asynchronous.
Assignments will be due on Sundays and Wednesdays at 23:59 so plan your study schedule accordingly. Plan on a minimum of 8 hours for this class (3h15 of usual F2F class time + study time).

Principles

1.   Nobody signed up for this.
>   Not for the sickness, not for the social distancing, not for the sudden end of our collective lives together on campus
>   Not for an online class, not for teaching remotely, not for learning from home, not for mastering new technologies, not for varied access to learning materials
2.   The humane option is the best option.
>   We are going to prioritize supporting each other as humans
>   We are going to prioritize simple solutions that make sense for the most
>   We are going to prioritize sharing resources and communicating clearly
3.   We will foster intellectual nourishment, social connection, and personal accommodation.
>   Accessible asynchronous content for diverse access, time zones, and contexts
>   Optional synchronous discussion to learn together and combat isolation
5.   We will remain flexible and adjust to the situation.
>   Nobody knows where this is going and what we'll need to adapt
>   Everybody needs support and understanding in this unprecedented moment

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What is this course about?

Welcome to Second Year French at Portland State University. French 203 is the last of a series of three French courses at Portland State University and assumes some knowledge of the language (One year of French at the university level). French 203 is a four-skills language class, i.e. it emphasizes listening, speaking, reading, and writing French in a communicative environment.

Who is my instructor and how can I get in touch?

Who is my instructor?
Getting in touch
Making an appointment

What will I be able to do at the end of FR 203?

Develop and implement successful language learning skills and strategies
Communicate more effectively in written and spoken French : Talk about and make future plans, Give directions, Command someone to do something, Talk about hypothetical situations, Make comparisons)
Discuss and compare my own and other's cultural and social perspectives relative to the notions of education, life majors milestones and urban life
Learn to connect and work with others to achieve a set task

What do I need for this class?

We understand that not all of you will have easy access to digital devices and wifi. The work assigned each week will be available on Sundays 9am before the week starts.

- A good WIFI connection
- A camera and a microphone for your device
- Access to D2L. This is the online course management system that we use at PSU. You will find the course syllabus, calendar, etc. Make sure to forward your emails from D2L to your preferred email account: https://d2l.pdx.edu/d2l/lor/viewer/viewFile.d2lfile/6605/1039/D2L%20Tools/d2l-mail.html. Create Alerts to receive a notification when a course announcement is posted on D2L: How to create notifications in D2L/ Brightspace
- Create a VOICETHREAD account (free). Feel free to use the app.
- The course textbook: *En Avant!*, Anderson and Dolidon, 2nd Edition (Publisher: McGraw Hill). If you bought it for First-Year French you do not need to buy it again. You may purchase the *En Avant!* textbook in one of the following formats: loose-leaf course pack (available online directly through Connect (via D2L) for $40 for two years, or traditional hardbound book. Not all versions of the textbook are available through all vendors. NOTE: Students are advised to use caution if they are purchasing an *En Avant!* "Connect" access code from a third-party vendor.
- A Connect Access Code (only if you did not buy it for FR 201). This is your online workbook to complete your homework assignments. You will access Connect for the first time by clicking on the link posted in your course Calendar posted on D2L under Content. Note that if you cannot buy your access code right away, Connect offers a **free two-week trial**: http://createwp.customer.mheducation.com/wordpress-mu/success-academy/student-free-trial/
- A notebook (that you will only use for this class) to take notes while studying for your French class and while you complete your online assignments.
- (Optional but highly recommended for those who have never studied a foreign language and would like some assistance with grammar concepts) English Grammar for Students of French: The Study Guide for Those Learning French, Sixth edition (O&H Study Guides), ISBN-13: 9780934034371, Jacqueline Morton

What do I need to do to succeed in this class?

#1 Participate! (25%)

This class is asynchronous which means that we will not all be online at the same time. That does not mean we will not be able to interact together, on the contrary, you will be asked to participate in our

weekly VoiceThreads. Voicethread is a learning tool that we have selected to communicate online. With VoiceThread, you will be able to create, share, and comment on images, Microsoft PowerPoint presentations, videos, audio files, documents, and PDFs, using a microphone, webcam. Every week on Sundays and Wednesdays at 9pm, a new VoiceThread will be posted. You will be asked to actively participate. You will interact with me and your classmates. Two of your lowest grades will be dropped. Instructions to register to VoiceThread.
Voicethread Rubric

#2 Complete your daily assignments/ Homework on time (20%)

Each week, new assignments will be posted on Wednesdays and Sundays at 5pm. Go to the week number, and there will be two due dates each week, one on Sunday 23:59 and another one on Wednesday 23:59. Organize your study sessions accordingly. Expect a workload of about 7 hours every week (which is the equivalent of 3h "class time" and 4 hours study time). Studying is essential to your success and participation in class. All assignments in your online workbook Connect are to be completed by the due date. Late work will not be accepted. There will be no extra credits. However, to allow for unexpected events, four of your lowest grades will be dropped.
Watch PPT for an explanation of HW.

#3 Take two chapter quizzes and 5 verb quizzes (20%)

15% Chapter exams (2)
5% Verb Quiz (1 lowest score will be dropped)

#4 Complete a **final project** (20%)

+   Two final projects evaluations (5%)
+   Active participation Zoom meetings for Ateliers (5%)
+   Multimedia Presentation (10%)

#5 Write and revise two essays (15%) et voilà!

You will write two short essays. You will receive feedback from your instructor and you will then correct and rewrite a second version of your essay. Both versions will receive a grade, the second version grade based on the changes you have made.

NB: Make-up tests are not ordinarily given unless special arrangements are made with the instructor in advance. If for some reason you must miss an exam, you should make every effort to contact your instructor by email before the exam. Requests for exceptions to this policy will be granted only in special circumstances and at the instructor's discretion.

Grading scale

A (100-94)	C (74-76)
A- (93-90)	C- (70-73)
B+ (87-89)	D+ (67-69)
B (84-86)	D (64-66)
B- (80-83)	D- (60-63)
C+ (77-79)	F (Below 60)

Computer labs

You will be required to do daily homework using the Connect website. Access to computers for individual study is available through the WLL language lab in B142.
For more locations go to : https://www.pdx.edu/oit/computer-labs

Course Supervision

If you have questions about French 203, please consult your instructor, or the course supervisor, Stéphanie Roulon STFD 309 sroulon@pdx.edu.

Students with disabilities

If you are registered with the Disability Resource Center, please contact your instructor to arrange academic accommodations. You must be registered with the DRC to get appropriate support from your instructor. 503-725-4150. Note: there is NO MENTION of disabilities on transcripts or any other documents concerning a student's education at PSU. This information is strictly confidential. Do not hesitate to get appropriate support to succeed.

Scholastic dishonesty

Scholastic dishonesty on any graded assignment will result in a **zero.** Scholastic dishonesty includes any kind of cheating. In language classes, this includes the use of online translators. Be aware that scholastic dishonesty can have far-reaching consequences, and can result in suspension or expulsion from the University.

Safe Campus

As an instructor, one of my responsibilities is to help create a safe learning environment for my students and for the campus as a whole. Please be aware that as a faculty member, I have the responsibility to report any instances of sexual harassment, sexual violence and/or other forms of prohibited discrimination. If you would rather share information about sexual harassment, sexual violence or discrimination to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can find a list of those individuals. For more information about Title IX please complete the required student module Creating a Safe Campus in your D2L.

Bonne chance et bienvenue en français 203!