

Virginia Western Community College

FRE 101

Beginning French I

Prerequisites

None

Course Description

Introduces understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills and emphasizes basic French sentence structure. Part I of II. Lecture 4-5 hours per week. May include one additional hour of oral practice per week. (VCCS MCR Description)

Semester Credits: 4

Lecture Hours: 4

Required Materials

1. Textbook, Textbook Website Access Code
2. Internet access
3. Blackboard

Choice:

Anover, Veronique., Antes, Theresa. *A Vous!: The Global French Experience*. 2nd ed, Bundle: Looseleaf + iLrn-Access card. Cengage Learning. ISBN: 9781285715735

OR:

iLrn 24-Months Printed Access Card. ISBN: 9781111300999

Other Required Materials:

None

Course Outcomes

At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- Carry on a basic conversation in French using the past, present, and future tenses
- Read and understand the main idea of passage written in French
- Listen and understand the main idea of a short conversation in French
- Write a short passage in French using correct grammatical structures and proper sentence structures
- Better know, understand and appreciate the French language and culture

Topical Description

1	Chapter 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tu vs. Vous • Numbers 0-69 • Etre / avoir / -er verbs • negation • adjective agreement and placement • indefinite articles • Vocabulary basic conversational expressions, introductions, making plans)
2	Chapter 2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negation • Avoir, -er verbs • Adjective agreement and placement • Indefinite articles • Vocabulary (personal descriptions, personalities, daily activities, professions)
3	Chapter 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes / no questions • Definite articles • Possessive adjectives • On and il y a • Numbers 70 + • Vocabulary (leisure activities, family members, days, months)
4	Chapter 4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aller and the near future / -ir verbs / faire • Prepositions and contractions • Time • Vocabulary (house, apartment, household chores, weather)
5	Chapter 5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -re verbs, mettre, porter, essayer, prendre, comprendre, apprendre • Partitive articles and expressions of quantity • Pronouns y and en

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vocabulary (shops and stores, food, clothing, urban places)
6	Chapter 6
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vouloir, pouvoir, boire• Adverbs• Interrogative adjective quel• Negative expressions• Vocabulary (ordering and paying at a restaurant, likes and dislikes, expressions with avoir, food, table settings)

Notes to Instructors

Optional reading, musical, and video material may be incorporated into the course.