FREN1010

I French Studies 1

Session 1, Weekday attendance, North Ryde 2020

Department of International Studies

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General Information

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10

Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
This unit, designed for those who have little or no knowledge of French, seeks to develop students' skills in reading, writing, comprehension and speaking. It introduces students to contemporary French culture. The work in this unit is of a very intensive nature. (A1 in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.)

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Develop elementary level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the French language.

ULO2: Identify, describe and evaluate a few aspects of French-speaking cultures and societies.

ULO3: Identify, evaluate and deploy the grammatical structures of French at elementary level.

ULO4: Apply relevant language conventions to create meaningful intercultural encounters.

ULO5: Demonstrate an awareness of some language and language use in both French and English.

Assessment Tasks

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Assessment details are no longer provided here as a result of changes due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Students should consult iLearn for revised unit information.

Find out more about the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and potential impacts on staff and students

General Assessment Information

Late Assessment Penalty

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – two (2) marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted more than seven (7) days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests.

Delivery and Resources

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19.

Please check here for updated delivery information: https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status

DELIVERY

Internal students

Students attend 2 x 2 hour tutorials per week: 4 hours of tutorials. There are no lectures for FREN 1010. Please go to eStudent to register in one of the classes on offer. The classes are streamed, which means you must attend the same 2x2 hour classes each week with the same group.

Classes start at five minutes past the hour. We recommend that you arrive 5 minutes before the

start of class so you do not miss out on important information given at the start of a class. We encourage students to come to as many classes as possible to facilitate the best learning experience possible.

External students

External students do not need to register in any particular classes and just need to make sure you are enrolled in FREN 1010 on eStudent. Your only timetabled activities will involve the attendance of a live **video-conferencing** speaking test to be held in week 13 at specific times allocated by the unit tutor around week 11/12. More details will be provided then.

External students will need to have access to a **webcam for the test**, headphones as well as a microphone for use during the video-conferencing sessions with *Zoom* which they will need to download for free from the internet. We recommend you use **Firefox** which has been reliable with respect to media files used in the course. The correct functioning of internet connection and network is the student's sole responsibility.

All students

The course is of a very intensive nature. FREN 1010 aims to prepare students for FREN 1020 in session 2.

The work required for FREN 1010 unit is two-fold, involving:

- 4 contact hours in class (or recorded on Echo 360 for external students). These will be organised around oral participation, explanation of new grammar points, practice and reinforcement of new language (or listening to the Echo 360 recordings).
- Approximately 8 hours of weekly home study, consisting of written, oral and aural practice using the CDs that accompany the textbook and exercise books - **Défi 1/A1 by _Maison des Langues_ publisher. All students MUST have bought a copy of this text book with the accompanying exercise book (cahier d'exercices) for week 1 classes. These can be bought online through** www.languageint.com.au**.** Not having the textbook is not a reason to miss the first test in week 3.

External students' participation mark is derived from the submission of the written homework tasks on iLearn. More information will be available on iLearn closer to the submission time. **External students MUST find a French speaking partner in the unit with whom to conduct a peer review** to practice spoken French to compensate for not being in the interactive language learning classroom. The forum on iLearn called "Je cherche un copain/copine de classe" (I'm looking for a study partner) will allow you to connect with other external students online.

IT and iLearn assistance is available via the iLearn login page or by clicking on the words "Help me" under the iLearn logo at the top right hand side of every iLearn window.

Please note that replies to e-mails will be automatically directed to the account they were sent from. All new threads will be sent to your University account where you are free to supply the e-mail address of your choice. You are encouraged to use the University account rather than a

private e-mail account and to check this account regularly for announcements from the convenor and emails form your tutor.

RESOURCES

All new students will need to purchase the textbook before week 1 session 1: *Défi 1/A1 Livre de l'élève,* and the exercise book: *Défi 1/A1 Cahier d'exercices* published by *Maison des Langues.* The two books are available online from www.languageint.com.au.

The required texts are:

Défi 1/A1 Livre de l'élève + CD Audio; Chahi et al. ISBN: 9788416273065

Défi 1/A1 Cahier d'exercices + MP3 dowload; Chahi et al. ISBN: 9788417249656

The online resources on iLearn (http://ilearn.mq.edu.au) are another essential part of the unit. Students have access to all materials (including recorded iLectures on Echo360) from the beginning to the end of the session.

Please refer to iLearn for announcements, and possible amendments to the program as this is how the convenor will communicate with you throughout the session.

TECHNOLOGY USED AND REQUIRED

Online Unit

Login is via: https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/

Is my unit in iLearn?: https://unitguides.mq.edu.au/ilearn_unit_status/ to check when your online unit will become available.

Technology

Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient.

For students attending classes on campus we strongly encourage that you bring along your own laptop computer, ready to work with activities in your online unit. The preferred operating system is Windows 10.

Students are required to access the online unit in iLearn by the end of Week 1 and follow any relevant instructions and links for downloads that may be required. If applicable, students are required to download the relevant language package prior to Week 2.

Please contact your course convenor **before** the end of **Week 1** if you do not have a suitable laptop (or tablet) for in-class use.

- **For central technical support go to:** http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/
- **For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to:** https://students.mq.edu.au/sup

port/study/tools-and-resources/ilearn/ilearn-quick-guides-for-students

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://staff.m q.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-centr al). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Fitness to Practice Procedure
- Grade Appeal Policy
- Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
- Special Consideration Policy *(**Note:** The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.)*

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the Student Policy Gateway (https://students.m q.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit Policy Central (http s://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/p olicy-central).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct

Results

Results published on platform other than eStudent, (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in eStudent. For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit http://stu dents.mq.edu.au/support/

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- Getting help with your assignment
- Workshops
- StudyWise
- Academic Integrity Module

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- Subject and Research Guides
- Ask a Librarian

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the Disability Service who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.