French (FREN)

Courses

FREN 1003, Elementary French I (ACTS Equivalency = FREN 1013). 3 Hours.
Elementary French I. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

FREN 1013, Elementary French II (ACTS Equivalency = FREN 1023). 3 Hours.
Elementary courses stress correct pronunciation, aural comprehension, and simple
speaking ability, and lead to active mastery of basic grammar and limited reading
ability. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

Intermediate courses lead to greater facility in spoken language and to more
advanced reading skills. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

Continued development of basic speaking comprehension and writing skills and
intensive development of reading skills. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

FREN 3003, Advanced French. 3 Hours.
Further intensive practice for the purpose of strengthening written and oral
expression. Includes a review of the essentials of French grammar. Prerequisite:
FREN 2013 or equivalent. (Typically offered: Fall, Spring and Summer)

FREN 3103, Cultural Readings. 3 Hours.
A course designed to build vocabulary and to strengthen reading skills and
oral expression through extensive practice with culturally authentic materials.
Prerequisite: FREN 2013. (Typically offered: Spring)

FREN 3113, Introduction to Literature. 3 Hours.
Further development of reading skills and introduction to literary commentary and
analysis. Prerequisite: FREN 3003 or FREN 3103. (Typically offered: Spring)

FREN 3123, French Phonetics. 3 Hours.
Improves students’ pronunciation of French while they acquire the basic rules of
standardized spoken French. The course takes into account the major contrastive
features of the sounds of French and English and addresses the particular
challenges the native speaker of American English faces when learning to
pronounce French. Prerequisite: FREN 3003. (Typically offered: Fall Even Years)

FREN 399VH, Honors French Course. 1-6 Hour.
Honors French. Prerequisite: Junior standing. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)
May be repeated for up to 12 hours of degree credit.

FREN 4003, French Grammar and Composition. 3 Hours.
French grammar and composition. Prerequisite: FREN 3003 or FREN 3103.
(Typically offered: Fall)

FREN 4033, French for Oral Proficiency. 3 Hours.
Three hours per week of conversation practice for the advanced undergraduate.
Prerequisite: FREN 3003 or FREN 3103. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

FREN 4113, Special Themes in French. 3 Hours.
Topics not normally covered in period courses. Sample topics: “The Comic Tradition
in French Literature,” “French Cinema.” Topics announced one semester in
advance. Prerequisite: FREN 3113. (Typically offered: Intermediate) May be repeated
for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

FREN 4213, French Civilization. 3 Hours.
French civilization. Prerequisite: FREN 3113. (Typically offered: Spring)

FREN 4223, Survey of French Literature I. 3 Hours.
A survey of French literature, its forms and themes from the medieval period through
the 18th century. Prerequisite: FREN 3113. (Typically offered: Intermediate)

FREN 4233, Survey of French Literature II. 3 Hours.
A survey of French literature, its forms and themes from the 19th and 20th centuries.
Prerequisite: FREN 3113. (Typically offered: Intermediate)

FREN 4243, Studies in Francophone Literature. 3 Hours.
Introduction to seminal writers from Francophone cultures, mainly Quebec, the
Maghreb, and West Africa. Exploration of national identity, morality, religion, exile,
and socio-political and cultural problems, while discovering recent trends in the
globalization of Francophone literature. Prerequisite: FREN 3113. (Typically offered:
Irregular)

FREN 4333, Introduction to Business French. 3 Hours.
Introduction and orientation to the French world of business and commerce through
the study of vocabulary, forms, and formulas and expression used in commercial
correspondence. Prerequisite: FREN 3113 or FREN 3103. (Typically offered: Intermediate)

FREN 4433, Business Culture and Practices. 3 Hours.
A practical application of French to the business world focusing on the cultural
challenges faced by Americans doing business in France and francophone
countries. Case studies and translations of authentic documents from French to
English and English to French reinforce the specialized vocabulary of the business
world. Prerequisite: FREN 3103 or FREN 3113. (Typically offered: Irregular)

FREN 4663, French Short Story. 3 Hours.
Introduces the genre of the French Short Story, focusing on close readings and
providing an overview of the most important literary movements from the Middle
Ages to the twentieth century. Prerequisite: FREN 3113. (Typically offered: Irregular)

FREN 475V, Special Investigations. 1-6 Hour.
Special investigations. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring) May be repeated for
degree credit.

FREN 5003, French Grammar and Phonetics. 3 Hours.
Systematic review of principles of French grammar and syntax; comprehensive
presentation of French phonetics. (Typically offered: Intermediate)

FREN 5333, Old French Literature. 3 Hours.
An intensive study of French Medieval Literature from the Chansons de Geste to
Villon, including an in-depth analysis of the genres and their evolution, and of the
major authors of the times. (Typically offered: Irregular)

FREN 5353. Survey of French Poetry. 3 Hours.
A comprehensive study of French poetry from the Middle Ages to the twentieth
century, focusing on close readings of individual poems. This course will cover
literary movements and trends of the periods and presents the terminology required
to do explication de texte. (Typically offered: Irregular)

FREN 5433, French 16th-Century Literature. 3 Hours.
A survey of representative writers of the sixteenth century. (Typically offered:
Irregular)

FREN 5543, French 17th-Century Literature. 3 Hours.
A survey of representative writers of the seventeenth century. (Typically offered:
Irregular)

FREN 5673. French 18th-Century Literature. 3 Hours.
French 18th-Century literature. (Typically offered: Irregular)

FREN 5703, Special Topics. 3 Hours.
May be offered in a subject not specifically covered by the courses otherwise listed.
(Typically offered: Irregular) May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

FREN 575V, Special Investigations. 1-6 Hour.
Special investigations. (Typically offered: Irregular) May be repeated for degree
credit.

FREN 5773. Survey of Francophone Literature. 3 Hours.
A survey of representative texts in the field of sub-Saharan and North African
literature concentrating on postcolonial novels using contemporary critical
approaches. (Typically offered: Irregular)
FREN 5833. French 20th-Century Novel. 3 Hours.
French 20th-Century novel. (Typically offered: Irregular)