

FRENCH 2001 : PATTERNS OF FRENCH CULTURE I

Georgia Tech Lorraine

Required Textbook

- Williams, Grace and Roche : *Bien vu, bien dit. Intermediate French* McGraw-Hill. 2008
ISBN 0-07-289759-7, also available at the GTL library
- A good bilingual dictionary (ie. Robert and Collins).

Course description

Credit Hours : 3

French 2001 meets twice a week, for one hour and a half

Prerequisite : FREN1002 or equivalent

This course, the third in the language sequence, is designed as an intermediate course for students who have completed French 1001 and 1002 or for freshmen with extensive prior French instruction. It is designed to improve oral and written communication skills and further introduce to French-speaking cultures. Class discussion and questions will take place in French.

We will « use » *Le chemin du retour*, a feature-length French film which will provide the context to improve your listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in French.

We will work on all the « *Structures pour communiquer* » ie, all the grammatical topics in *Bien vu, bien dit* from chapter 1 to chapter 6 :

- L'article / C'est / il est
- Le nom / L'adjectif
- Verbes : présent, pronominaux
- L'emploi du présent / constructions avec l'infinitif
- L'interrogation
- L'adjectif et les pronoms interrogatifs / Lequel
- Les pronoms objet direct et indirect
- L'impératif / Tournures équivalentes à l'impératif
- Le passé composé

- L'imparfait
- L'imparfait et le passé composé ensemble
- Les prépositions et les noms géographiques
- Les pronoms y et en / L'ordre des pronoms objets
- Les adjectifs et les pronoms indéfinis
- La négation
- Les adverbes

Expectations and Suggestions

You will be expected to review and learn previous class before coming to the following class and to make your homework assignments regularly.

You will be required to hand in a written commentary on any cultural topic and to present it to the class.

French 2001 demands faithful and regular preparation as well as active participation.

Do not forget : the more frequent your exposure to the language, the better your results will be !

Note on behavior:

Academically dishonest behavior will not be tolerated.
Please consult the GTI Academic Honor Code.

Attendance Policy: Please let me know, should you be absent for a class.

Excessive unexcused absences during the semester will affect your course grade

Feel free to discuss your difficulties in the course with me anytime. I am normally in my office before each class, so if the door is open, feel free to come in.

You can also make an appointment via my personal e-mail.

Grading :

Classwork (class preparation, active participation, role-plays, partner work, note-taking) : 10%

Mid-term exam : 30%

Quiz and oral presentation : 25%

Final exam : 35%