

FF301O/ French 1-1 Syllabus

Course Title-----	French 1-1
Course Number-----	FF301O
Grades:-----	09-12
High School Credit Value:-----	0.5
Prerequisites:-----	There is no pre-requisite for French 1 since this is the first course in French.
Course Length:-----	Regular courses: 17 weeks CR: 9-17 weeks.
Course Time:-----	Regular courses: 17 week schedule: 75 - 90 minutes per school day (6-7.5 hours per week) Credit Retrieval: 75 - 90 minutes per school day (6-7.5 hours per week) until course completion.

{ Course Description }

French I has been carefully designed to meet the standards of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). These standards call for a method of teaching that focuses on successful communication through speaking, writing, reading, and listening, as well as a thorough grounding in aspects of culture. Each unit embodies all of these standards in accordance with the theories described in this document. Unit activities blend different forms of communication and culture to ensure that the student meets all standards. Course strategies include warm-up activities, vocabulary study, reading, threaded discussions, multi-media presentations, self-checks, practice activities and games, oral and written assignments, projects, quizzes, and exams. Learning activities in each unit are focused upon a specific theme.

Course Materials:

All instruction reading materials are linked within the course.

It is not required, but several assignments ask for students to record their voice, reading poetry, speaking, reading aloud. A microphone for the computer is needed to complete these assignments. If a microphone is not available, students have optional ways of completing the assignments, such as cassette recording, online LIVE session or phone.

Headphones and microphone with USB connector are also recommended so students can participate in online LIVE sessions. Although attendance at all these sessions is not required, students who attend have the advantage of having their questions answered in real time.

State Alignments

Washington State Standards guided the design of the course. Learning expectations are found within the course itself.

Standards for French

Interpersonal speaking & listening: Students engage in conversation, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions.

Writing & reading: Students read a text and respond in writing to provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, or exchange opinions.

Interpretive listening: Students understand and interpret spoken language on a variety of topics.

Interpretive reading: Students understand and interpret written language on a variety of topics.

Presentational Speaking: Students present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners on a variety of topics.

Presentational Writing: Students present information, concepts and ideas to an audience of readers on a variety of topics.

Cultures & Comparisons: Students demonstrate an understanding of the concept of culture through the study of the practices, products and perspectives of the cultures studied, and the comparison of the cultures studied with their own.

Connections: Students reinforce and further their knowledge of other disciplines such as history and geography through the world language and its cultures.

Communities: Students use the language both within and beyond the classroom for a variety of purposes.

Course Outline

Semester 1

Unit	Content	17 Week Pace	12 Week Pace
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Unit 1	Greetings	3 Weeks	2 Weeks
Unit 2	Calendar	3 Weeks	2 Weeks
Unit 3	Weather	3 Weeks	2 Weeks
Unit 4	Time	3 Weeks	2 Weeks
Unit 5	Colors	3 Weeks	2 Weeks

Course Work

There are 5 Units to be completed in this semester course plus studying for the Final Semester Exam at the end, which could take a week. Please plan to submit an assignment daily. Plan to spend no more than 3 weeks on each unit if in the 17 week session, 2 weeks if in the 12 week session.

Each unit contains written assignments, recorded spoken assignments, section quizzes, a unit final exam, supplementary assignments, and online sessions. Some online sessions will be mandatory. Instructions on how to submit written and spoken work as well as participate in live online sessions are listed under Units tab. Failure to follow directions in submitting assignments may result in the assignment not being graded until it is submitted in the correct format. Student work will usually be returned within three school days. The student will have a chance to redo all work to improve performance and grade including quizzes and tests. See Grading below.

Grading

All written and spoken assignments are considered formative assessments and may be done as many times as the student wishes to demonstrate the level of proficiency desired as indicated by the grade received. The Quizzes at the end of each section and the Unit Exams are considered Summative assessments and may also be retaken on request. It is the student's responsibility to check their grades. If there is any question about an assignment or grade it is the students' responsibility to contact the teacher. Students should redo their work quickly so that they do not fall behind their Learning Plan Contract. By attending the Online LIVE sessions, students will gain answers to their questions and clarify areas of difficulty as well as have the opportunity to practice their pronunciation and listening comprehension. Students should also select an example of their best to be placed in their portfolio.

Occupational Credit:

This course may qualify for *occupational credit. Please consult your school counselor for further clarification.

*Please note that FLA901 (Sign Language) does not qualify for occupational credit.