

MLL 421-50 Spring 2008
Advanced French Conversation
M-TH Grubbs Hall 103
9-9:50

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M-TH: 8-9
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 2-4
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and by appointment

FRENCH TABLE: W: 12-1

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:

MLL 421 is designed to enable the students attain a functional level of proficiency in French. It provides the students with effective strategies and meaningful opportunities to improve their ability to speak and understand French. Students will develop oral proficiency skills and greater awareness of French and Francophone cultures. MLL 421 must be taken concurrently with MLL 525.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Your daily assignment will be given in each class session. This includes speaking, reading and listening comprehension activities generating conversation opportunities. There will be Short Story, Song and Film based Conversation. Your participation will consist of generating reports on Short Stories, Songs and movies and participating in debate and class discussion.

Since the time we spend together is limited, attendance and active participation are mandatory. Two absences excused and unexcused are tolerated. For each subsequent absence, the student's grade will be lowered by a letter (**A** becomes **B** and **B** becomes **C** etc.) Students who miss the class are responsible for the work assigned on the missed day.

Students are required to attend the French table and the French Club activities and participate in conversation a minimum of four times throughout the semester. This participation will count toward the Attendance & Participation portion of the grade. All assessment will be done orally. There will be three oral

examinations. The last will consist of a final paper comparing and contrasting movies seen in class. The final paper will be presented orally. Only the oral presentation of the paper will be graded.

Expectations:

What I expect from you:

1. I expect you to be in class. Should you be absent, have a valid reason, put it in writing and be willing to discuss it with me personally. In addition it is your responsibility to find out what you missed.
2. I expect lot of interaction: ask questions, answer questions, and participate in class discussion.
3. I expect you to read the assignments before they are discussed in class.
4. I expect you to respect everybody's opinion. An issue may be seen from different angles.
5. I expect you to wait your turn to speak

What you can expect from me

1. You can expect me to provide all materials needed for this class
2. You can expect me to be open to question. All questions are good questions.
3. You can expect me to provide different approaches.
4. You can expect me to grade your assignments as quickly as possible
5. You can expect me to keep any appointment you make with me.

EVALUATION:

Your final grade will be an average of scores earned on all assignments and will be calculated as follows:

Exam 1

20%

Exam 2	20%
Exam 3	30%
Daily Preparation and participation	20%
Table française & French Club	10%

GRADE:

A 90-100 B 80-90 C 70-79 D 60-69

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:

Any Student who, because of a disabling condition, may require some special arrangements in order to meet course requirements should contact me as soon as possible to make necessary accommodations

Assignments Schedule

Semaine	Lundi	Mardi	Mercredi	Jeudi
9ème			12 mars Introduction	13 mars Atelier de compte de lecture, de chant
10ème	17 mars C	18 mars A N C E S	19 mars D E P R I	20 mars N T E M P S
11ème	24 mars Short story	25 mars Short story 2	26 mars Short story3	27marsExam#1 Compare and contrast short stories
12ème	31 mars Exam 1 On short stories	1e avril Song 1 Listen. Compr	2 avril Song 1 Debate	3 avril Song 2
13ème	7 avril Song 2 Debate	8 avril Exam #2 Compare and contrast both songs	9 avril Atelier de compte rendude film	10 avril Film 1
14ème	14 avril	15 avril	16 avril	17 avril

	Film 1	Film 1 Debate	Film 2	Film 2
15ème	21 avril Film 2 Debate	22 avril Film 3	23 avril Film 3	24 avril Film 3 Debate
16ème	28 avril Film 4	29 avril Film 4	30 avril Film 4 debat	1e mai Term Paper

semaine	Lundi	Mardi	Mercredi	Jeudi
17ème	5 mai Term Paper	6 mai Term paper	7 mai Term paper	8 mai Term paper due
	12 mai Exam # 3 Oral pres. of term papers			