

COURSE SYLLABUS FORM

American University of Beirut
Faculty of Arts and Sciences
Department: CS
Course Number and Title: French 202

1. Course Learning Outcomes

This course is offered to students

- Who have completed French 201 (or)
- Who have studied French at the elementary school, or very weak intermediate.
(A small oral test as well as school records help recognize this limit)

By the end of this course students will be able to:

- Read and understand simple informative text in French (brochures, magazines)
- Write an elaborate descriptive, analytical and narrative text-without major grammar mistakes.
- Speak fluently daily conversation and converse on basic topics of life.
- Analyze a text-grammatically-and comment on its content
- Summarize and translate a paragraph of a middle difficulty
- Understand announcements and capture most of the news in French on T.V.

2. Resources Available to Students

This course is a continuation of French 201, the books are the same.

- A. G. Manger: Cours de Langue et de Civilisation Francaise; vol. 1, Hachette (lessons 25-50)
- B. A modern conversational book, with audio cassettes and a exercise book, by Capelle and Gidou: Le Nouvel Espaces, vol. 1, Hachette. (unit 6 - 12)

Dictionary French/French

Extra work is given to monitor and boost student's progress individually. The assignment is given by the teacher and can come from students according to need and initiative.

3. Grading Criteria

Announced at the beginning of the course:

- Exam I (1/3 of the material) 20 %
- Exam II (2/3 of the material) 20 %
- Final Exam: all the material 40 %
- Extra work upon student initiative and interest 10 %
- Teacher's evaluation on progress 10 %

4. Schedule

<u>Week</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
Week 1+2	- The house: the interior, the furniture	- 2 lab sessions - sentence structures - past tenses of verbs	- 22-26 (A) - unit 5 (B)
Week 3+4+5	- Traveling in land, By plane	- pronouns - writing a paragraph - conversation	- 26 – 30 (A) - unit 5+6 (B) - Exam I
Week 5+6+7	- Professions, fashion +art	- Pronouns: simple, direct + imparfait tense (verbs)	- lessons 30-35 (A) - unit 6+7 (B)
Week 8+9+10	- Food	- Pronouns, indirect + superlative tense of verbs	- lessons 35-40 (A) - unit 7+8 (B) - Exam II
Week 11+12 +13	- Environment	- Pronouns Relative + conditional tense (verbs)	- lessons 40-45 (A) -unit 9 + 10 (B)
Week 14+15	- Human Rights - The Future	- Sentence Structure	- lessons 45-50 (A) - unit 11+12 (B) - Final Exam

5. Course Policy (if any)

Policy announced at beginning of the course:

If a student proves to be above the required level, he/she is asked to produce extra work and assist the teacher in class activities. (tests and records help)

- Attendance is a must (for a language course)
- Three absences in a row without prior notice lead to drop.
- Below average performance are given extra attention and extra work.

Quizzes are announced. No make-up unless valid excuse. Corrections are a must to learn from mistakes