

**COURSE:** FRENCH 101: Elementary French I

**DESCRIPTION:** Introduces the grammar, syntax, phonetics and practical vocabulary of French. Provides ample opportunities for students to develop their understanding and speaking of French.

**RECOMMENDED TEXT:** Robert Ariew and Anne Narenz, Premiers `Echanges, Heinle and Heinle, Boston and Robert Ariew, Anne Nerenz, Katherine Kulick, Cahier d'activités Orales et Ecrites. Heinle and Heinle, Boston. Tapes to accompany Premier Echanges.

**FORMAT:** Exam will consist of several sections of fill-in-the-blank questions and questions to be answered in a complete sentence. There will be no essay questions. All questions must be answered in French. Words must be spelled correctly with proper accents. Each answer and each sentence will be worth one point for a total of 100 points.

The questions are to be answered in a complete sentence and the essay questions will relate to the student's personal life. The student should be able to describe everyday activities and give a description of a friend or family member.

The test will not involve translating from French to English or from English to French.

**GRADING:** Students must receive a "C" (73-76) in order to receive credit for a course taken as a Challenge Exam.

**TOPICS FOR STUDY:**

- Present tense of regular -er verbs and the irregular verbs *être, avoir, aller* and *faire*
- Idiomatic expressions using the verb *faire*
- Numbers from 0 to 1,000,000
- Names of the days of the week and months of the year
- Feminine and plural forms of adjectives and correct placement of adjectives (in front of or after the noun)
- 15 forms of the possessive adjective
- Definite and indefinite articles
- Prepositions and the contractions of prepositions *à* and *de* with the definite article
- How to form questions with simple interrogative adverbs, such as *combien* and *quand*