

French Studies

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Course Description

(Unless otherwise specified, all are 3-unit term courses of two hours of lecture and one hour of tutorial per week.)

FRE 1110

French Language: Beginners I

This is the first of a 6-term-long language course which provides basic training in spoken and written French, oral practice for various everyday situations and essential grammatical structures. It also gives a general introduction of French society and culture. This course is suitable for full beginners. (Not for students who have taken FRE 1610.) (Please read the Study Scheme Note.)

FRE 1160

Sounds of French

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course is an introduction to the phonetic system of the French language, with an emphasis on the similarities and differences between French, Cantonese and English pronunciation. Illustrations and examples will be taken from modern spoken French. Students learning French are encouraged to take this course. Prerequisite: FRE 1210 or 1310 or equivalent competence.

* Course offered in 2001-02 and before.

FRE1210

French Language: Beginners II

Continuation of FRE 1110, putting emphasis on comprehension and expression in written as well as in oral skills. Prerequisite: FRE 1110 or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 1711.)

FRE 1310

Summer Intensive French: Beginners Level

6 U (fee-based summer intensive language course)

This is a summer intensive French language course for beginners, covering the full syllabus of FRE 1110 and 1210. (Please read the Study Scheme Note.)

FRE 1450

Made in France

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course is designed to present the French society and culture from a cross-cultural perspective. We will particularly examine the aspects of behaviour, attitudes and customs of the French in modern France, as well as their image in the world. (Not for students who have taken FRE 4775.)

FRE 1460

French Literature Appreciation

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course is designed to introduce students to some most representative figures in French literature. Emphasis is to be placed on the critical and analytical reading of their major works in English or Chinese version. (Not for students who have taken FRE 3726.)

FRE 2110

French Language: Intermediate I

Intermediate language course which is the continuation of FRE 1210. Training in the four skills of the language will continue with emphasis on expression proficiency. Selected topics on various aspects of life in France will be examined. Prerequisite: FRE 1210 or 1310 must have C+ or above, or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 2611.)

FRE 2210

French Language: Intermediate II

Continuation of FRE 2110. Prerequisite: FRE 2110 or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 2711.)

FRE 2310

Summer Intensive French: Intermediate Level

6 U (fee-based summer intensive language course)

This is a summer intensive French language course, covering the full syllabus of FRE 2110 and 2210. Prerequisite: FRE 1210 or 1310 or equivalent competence. (Please read the Study Scheme Note.)

FRE 3110

French Language: Advanced I

This course is designed for students who wish to improve their communication skills in French with emphasis on expression of personal view and argumentative strategies. Concepts and principles that regulate French syntax will be examined. Prerequisite: FRE 2210 or 2310 must have C+ or above, or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 4611.)

FRE3140

Business French I

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course is designed to introduce and train in active practice in a wide range of business related dialogues, as well as to acquire the basic skills of business terminology through the reading of short commercial documents. Prerequisite: FRE 2210 or 2310 or equivalent competence.

FRE 3210

French Language: Advanced II

Continuation of FRE 3110. Prerequisite: FRE 3110 or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 4711.)

FRE 3240

Business French II

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course aims at training in business correspondence through the reading of business related documents, as well as in acquiring better business conversation and editorial skills. Prerequisite: FRE 3140 or equivalent competence.

FRE 3310

Summer Intensive French: Advanced Level

6 U (fee-based summer intensive language course)

This is a summer intensive advanced French language course, covering the full syllabus of FRE 3110 and 3210. Prerequisite: FRE 2210 or 2310 or equivalent competence. (Please read the Study Scheme Note.)

FRE 3420

Reading Methodology

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course is designed for students who wish to improve their reading abilities. It aims at strengthening Chinese students' confidence in reading authentic documents in French without having always to refer to dictionaries. Effective reading methods will be presented and applied to texts on current social issues. Prerequisite: FRE 2210 or 2310 or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 4731.)

FRE 3440

French Conversation I

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course will focus on argumentative and expressive conversations based on daily situations. Prerequisite: FRE 2210 or 2310 or equivalent competence. (Not for students who have taken FRE 3430.)

FRE 3450

French Conversation II

3 U; 2 Lect. 1 Tut.

This course will focus on argumentative and expressive conversations based on modern societies issues. Prerequisite: FRE 2210 or 2310 or equivalent competence.

Study Scheme

Minor Programme

Students are required to complete a minimum of 18 units of courses listed below:

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| (i) Required Courses: | |
| FRE 1110 and 1210, or 1310 | 6 units |
| FRE 2110 and 2210, or 2310 | 6 units |
| (ii) Elective Courses: | 6 units |
| 6 units of other courses offered by the programme | |

Total: 18 units

Note: For students who have taken FRE 1110, 2110 or 3110 and enrol in the summer intensive course FRE 1310, 2310, or 3310, only the units of the summer intensive course will be counted towards the requirements for graduation.