# Chaminade University of Honolulu Pearl Harbor Fall Evening Program 2001

Course: French 101(06)

Time: 5-7:45pm, Tues. + Thurs. (Oct. 2-Dec.13)

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TEXTBOOK: C'est ca! (1995) Golding & Jeantet included: WORKBOOK(1995) and LABBOOK(1995)

## **Course Description:**

French 101 is an introductory course covering basic language skills in the French language: speaking, reading, writing, and comprehension. This course also provides a general over view and introduction to French culture. Classroom activities and homework will integrate reading, writing, conversation and oral comprehension.

Class is taught, as much as possible, in French. We will be working on the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing in French.

If you do not understand something, please never hesitate to ask me to repeat or to explain! There are no stupid questions when learning a new language.

### **General Objectives:**

- --acquire basic reading, writing, and conversation skills.
  - --acquire basic knowledge of French grammar.
  - --ability to engage in simple conversational exchanges (asking and answering questions).
  - --ability to make a short oral presentation about the self, family, friends, food, etc.
  - --ability to answer questions in writing, complete dictations, etc.
  - -- become familiar with useful vocabulary.
- -familiarity with body language and gestures.
- -- appreciate cultural similarities and differences.
- --basic knowledge of geography and interesting "info bits".
- -- sound systems
- --familiarity with the "problem" of translation.

## Preparation, Homework, and Workbook

Written work includes: workbook, textbook exercises, occasional compositions and worksheets.

After you have been taught the material in class, you will be responsible for continuing to work on it at home so that you have it learned for the next day. Daily preparation is crucial. If homework is assigned or a handout distributed, complete it before you come to class the next day. If there is no written work assigned, you should still study/review your notes from class as well as, all new vocabulary. To help study for exams, supplementary material will be made available.

#### --Workbook

Your workbook has chapters that correspond to those chapters in the textbook. Workbook pages will be assigned in class and in accordance to the corresponding chapter and chapter section. Appropriate sections will be reviewed and corrected in class and **spot checked** for completion.

#### -- Lab work

You are provided with a lab manual. For each textbook chapter, you are responsible for finishing the corresponding lab book pages. The manual will be handed in on the day of the chapter exam---the completion of corresponding chapters is expected.

## Skits (sketch):

5 Skits are required (3-5 minutes each group). Skits will demonstrate new vocabulary acquired in each new chapter.

## Tests:

5 chapter tests will be given in class. They will then be taken home and corrected (with colored ink) and returned to me. All material tested will be covered in class and will be taken from the textbook, workbook and worksheets. These tests are cumulative as there is no mid-term or final exam.

### Late work:

Make-up exams will not be given. If you have a real, honest, and serious emergency, be sure to contact me before or the day of the exam and not after---only then will an exception be made.

If you are absent, you may have ONE school day to make up homework. Anything turned in later will not be accepted.

#### Attendance:

Class meets 4 days per week. Daily attendance and participation are mandatory. Daily contact is the very best and EASIEST way for you to learn. You are allowed 2 EXCUSED absences during the semester that will NOT affect your participation grade. If you do miss more than 2 allowed absences, your participation grade will be lowered One grade (from an A to a B). If you have an emergency, please contact me (leave a message). It is important that upon absence you MAKE UP THE HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS.

Remember learning is cumulative. You can't cram this week's lessons without having learned last week's lessons!

## **Extra practice and Extra Credit:**

If you feel you need extra help and tutoring please do not hesitate to come see me. I will arrange "help" hours. If you cannot make these hours, you can make an appointment with me at a more convenient time.

Yes! You can make up points through extra credit...Movie watching and reviews (in French), discovered French web sites, skits, and compositions (or any other relevant and creative ideas) are all possible ways to boost your grade.

### **Grading:**

Grading is based on

1. Class attendance and participation 20 points

2. Written Work (workbook, lab) 25 points

3. Chapter Tests (5) 40points

4. Skits (5) 15 points

Your grades are calculated on a 100 point scale.

90-100=A, 80-89=B, 70-79=C, 60-69=D, 59 and below=F

## **Learning Outcome Assessment:**

Students' work will be evaluated for:

- --general acquisition, development, and improvement of basic grammar, reading, writing, speaking and comprehension skills.
- --ability to hold a simple conversation, make brief presentations, and ask questions.
- -- An understanding of basic knowledge of French culture.
- -- Personal effort and in-class participation.

Most importantly enjoy the course! The goal is for you to be content with your progress and to eventually be able to use your developing French for whatever you want...Art, Architecture, Music, Opera, Fine Dining, Travel, Work, and Fashion!! Good luck and I'm looking forward to working with all of you.

## Week 1 Chapitre préliminaire

Week 2 Chapitre préliminaire / chapiter I Sketch 1

# Week 3 Chapitre I / révision chapitre préliminaire et I Examen chapitre préliminaire et chapitre 1 Lab due

Week 4 Chapitre II

## Sketch 2

Week 5

Chapitre II / révision chapitre II

Examen: chapitre II

Lab due

Week 6 Chapitre III Sketch 3

Week 7

Chapitre III / révision chapitre III

Examen: chapitre III

Lab due

Week 8 Chapitre IV Skit 4

Week 9 Chapitre IV / révision chapitre IV Examen chapitre IV Lab due

Week 10 Chapitre V Sketch 5

Week 11
Chapitre V / révision chapitre V
Exam Chapter 5
Lab due
Class Party