# French (FREN)

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<td>FREN 101</td>
<td>First-Semester French</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Lower Division; Global Cultures</td>
<td>GC, GE</td>
<td>Fall and spring</td>
<td>FREN 101 or equivalent.</td>
<td>Graded</td>
<td>You may take this course for a maximum of 4 units</td>
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<td>FREN 102</td>
<td>Second-Semester French</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Lower Division; Global Cultures</td>
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<td>Fall and spring</td>
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<td>FREN 198</td>
<td>Special Topics</td>
<td>1-3</td>
<td>Lower Division; Global Cultures</td>
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<td>Department permission.</td>
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<td>FREN 201</td>
<td>Third-Semester French</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Lower Division; Global Cultures</td>
<td>GC, GE</td>
<td>Fall only</td>
<td>FREN 201 or equivalent.</td>
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<td>FREN 202</td>
<td>Fourth-Semester French</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>Spring only</td>
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<td>FREN 299</td>
<td>Special Problems</td>
<td>1-3</td>
<td>Upper Division</td>
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<td>Faculty permission.</td>
<td>Credit/No Credit</td>
<td>You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units</td>
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<td>FREN 301</td>
<td>Composition and Conversation</td>
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<td>Upper Division</td>
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<td>FREN 302</td>
<td>Composition and Conversation</td>
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<td>FREN 303</td>
<td>Composition and Conversation</td>
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<td>FREN 310</td>
<td>Business French</td>
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<td>FREN 202 or three years of high school French or equivalent.</td>
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<td>FREN 330</td>
<td>French Culture and Civilization</td>
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FREN 340  Survey of French Literature  3 Units
Prerequisite: FREN 301, FREN 302, or FREN 303.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
A survey of French literature with special emphasis on genres, literary techniques, and methods of analysis, early French literature to the French Revolution. 3 hours discussion.  (003815)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 345  Survey of French Literature  3 Units
Prerequisite: FREN 301, FREN 302, or FREN 303.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
A survey of French literature with special emphasis on genres, literary techniques, and methods of analysis, Romantic to Contemporary Period. 3 hours discussion.  (003816)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 398  Special Topics  1-3 Units
Prerequisite: Department permission.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 1 hour seminar.  (003824)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 399  Special Problems  1-3 Units
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 9 hours supervision.  (003825)
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 420  French Linguistics  3 Units
Prerequisite: Six units from FREN 301, FREN 302, or FREN 303.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course introduces students to the study of linguistics as it relates to French. Topics include the evolution of the language from Latin to modern French, as well as historical and contemporary states of the language as they relate to phonology, morphology, and semantics. Practical application of knowledge, and the improvement of students’ pronunciation, are stressed. Taught in French. 3 hours lecture.  (003834)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 440  The French Theater  3 Units
Prerequisite: FREN 301, FREN 302, or FREN 303.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
Varying content may emphasize the historical development of the theater or may choose the work of a single author. 3 hours discussion.  (003826)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 445  Francophone Literatures and Societies  3 Units
Prerequisite: FREN 301, FREN 302, or FREN 303.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course involves study of literature and society in Francophone Africa from the Maghreb (Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria) through Senegal and West Africa to Madagascar and the Reunion Island, New France (Quebec), the French Caribbean, the South Pacific (Tahiti), and Southeast Asia (Vietnam, Cambodia). 3 hours seminar.  (003828)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 460  The Nineteenth Century  3 Units
Prerequisite: Six units from FREN 301, FREN 302, FREN 303; FREN 340 or FREN 345.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
Study of the various literary movements across the century (romanticism, Parnasse, realism, naturalism, symbolism) in both prose and poetry. 3 hours discussion.  (003819)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 480  French Cinema  3 Units
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
An introduction to French cinema as a narrative form, with emphasis on key films and directors from various periods of French film history. The class is taught in English. All films have English subtitles. 3 hours discussion.  (003813)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

FREN 497W  Writing Proficiency (W)  3 Units  W, GW
Prerequisite: GE Written Communication (A2) requirement; upper-division standing; completion of 6 units FREN 301, FREN 302, FREN 303; FREN 340 and FREN 345, or equivalent.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
This course allows students the opportunity to bring together a body of knowledge in French and to solidify it by analyzing and drawing conclusions from a variety of written sources in French and to write arguments about them in English. Writing essays in English for different sorts of potential audiences, students have ample opportunity to progress towards professional level writing so that students demonstrate writing proficiency in English about French. 3 hours discussion.  (003823)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division; Writing Course; Graduation Writing Assessment

FREN 498  Special Topics  1-3 Units
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 1 hour seminar.  (003844)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once
Course Attributes: Upper Division
FREN 499  Special Problems  1-3 Units  
Prerequisite: Faculty permission.  
Typically Offered: Fall and spring  
This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 3 hours supervision. (003845)  
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit  
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units  
Course Attributes: Upper Division  

FREN 499H  Senior Honors Thesis  3 Units  
Prerequisite: Six units in FREN 301, FREN 302, FREN 303; 12 other upper-division French units; a grade-point average in the top 5% of French majors; an interview; faculty permission.  
Typically Offered: Inquire at department  
Intensive study of scholarly approaches to problems in French language, literature or culture and training in the use of secondary sources to back up original ideas, leading to the production and public presentation of a scholarly project involving substantial research and earning a grade of B or higher for the designation of Honors in the Major. To be taken under faculty supervision for a total of six units in consecutive semesters. 9 hours supervision. (003847)  
Grade Basis: Graded  
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units  
Course Attributes: Upper Division  

FREN 697  Independent Study  1-3 Units  
Typically Offered: Fall and spring  
This course is a graduate-level independent study offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 9 hours supervision. (003853)  
Grade Basis: Report in Progress: Graded  
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units  
Course Attributes: Graduate Division  

FREN 699T  Masters Thesis  1-3 Units  
Typically Offered: Fall and spring  
9 hours supervision. (020932)  
Grade Basis: Report in Progress: CR/NC  
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units  
Course Attributes: Graduate Division