



FREN 10200 4, FREN 10200 4 - Beginning Elementary French II - Instructor(s): Etienne Labbouz

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Winter 2024**

Number Enrolled: **15**

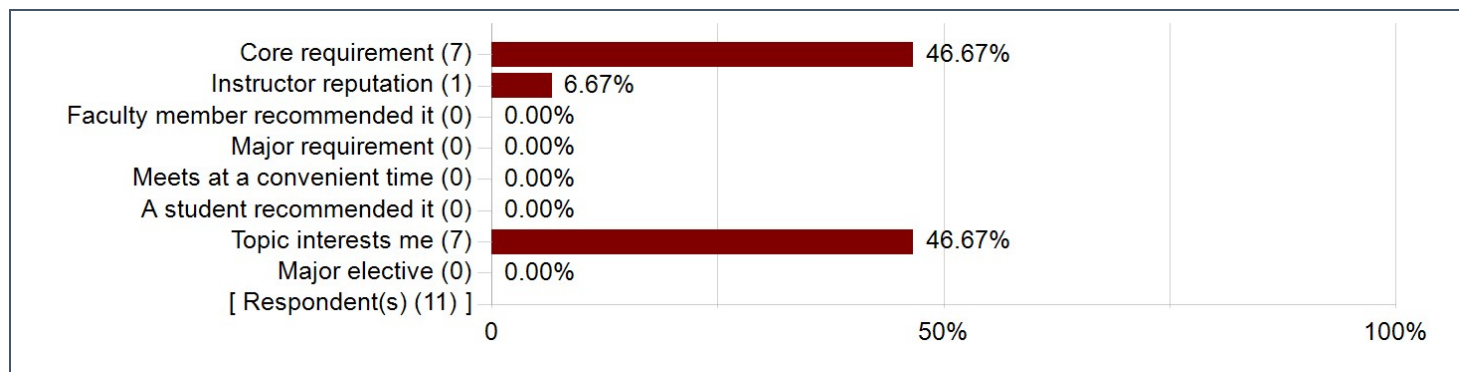
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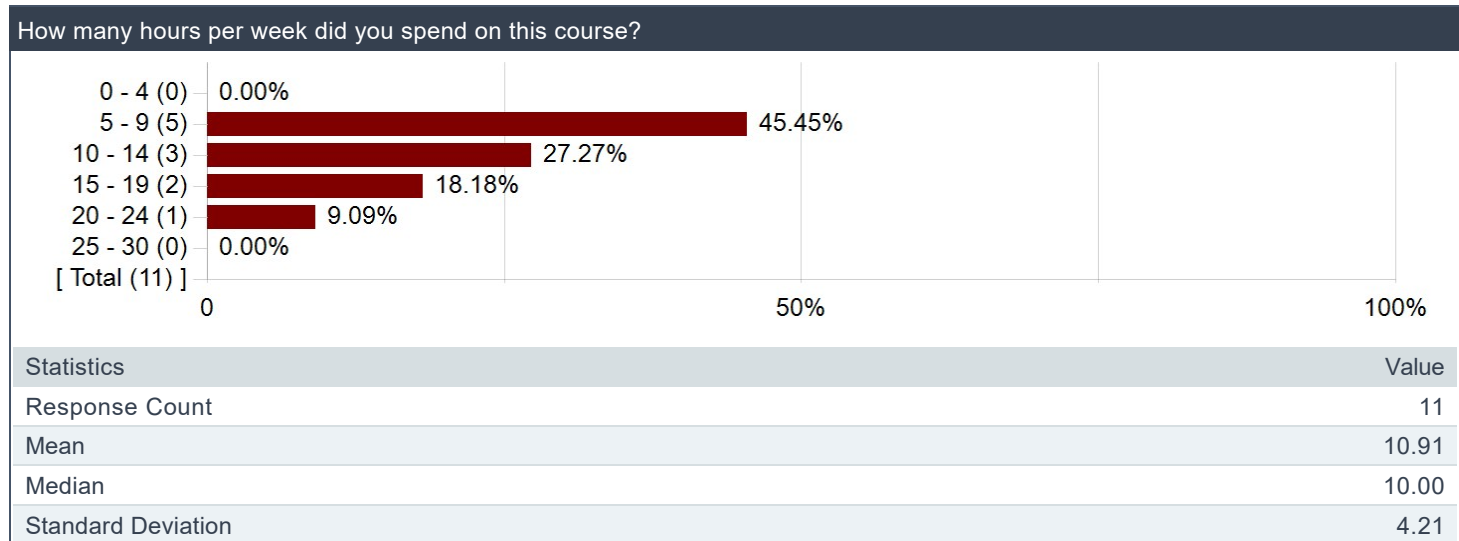
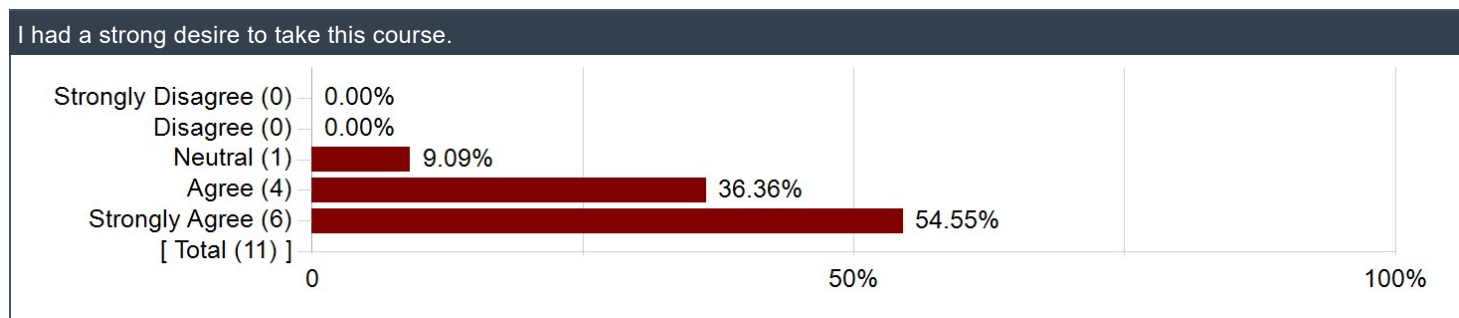
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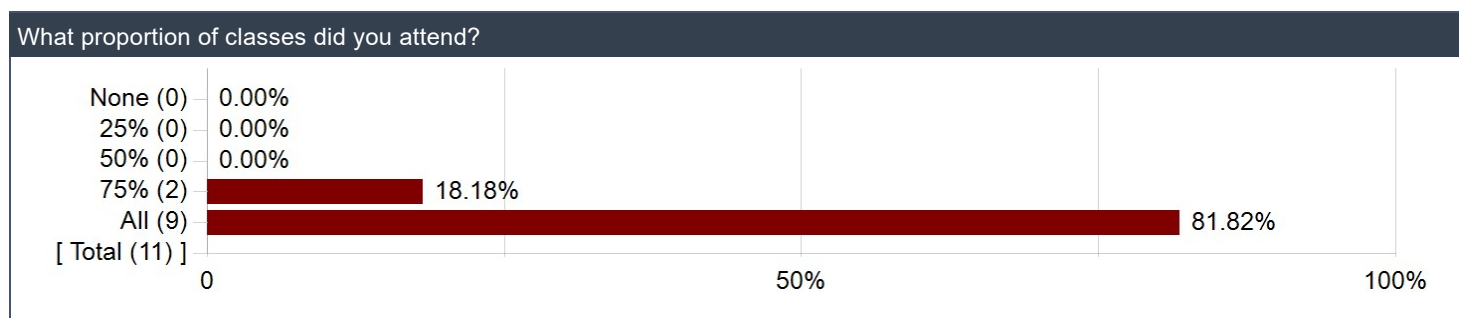
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



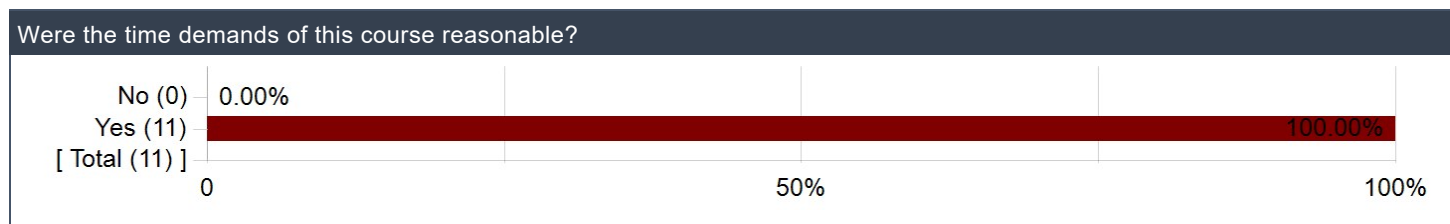
I had a strong desire to take this course.



What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the time demands of this course reasonable?



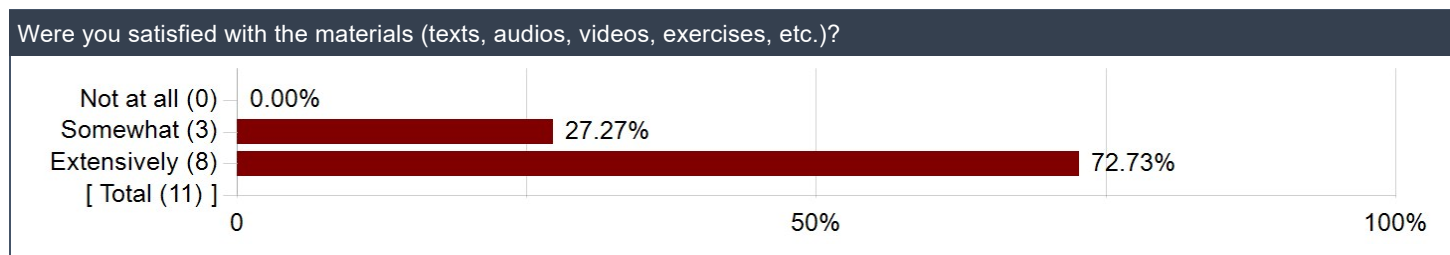
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	4.27	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%	45.45%	45.45%
Reading	2.91	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	45.45%	27.27%	18.18%	9.09%
Writing	3.82	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	9.09%	45.45%	27.27%
Grammar	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	50.00%	30.00%
Vocabulary	3.45	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	27.27%	18.18%	36.36%	18.18%
Listening	3.64	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	27.27%	54.55%	9.09%

For French Classes Only:

	None At All	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	All Of It
How much self-correcting grammar homework did you do?	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	9.09%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	0.00%	9.09%	18.18%	36.36%
How much self-correcting audio homework did you do?	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	18.18%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%	27.27%	0.00%	36.36%

Were you satisfied with the materials (texts, audios, videos, exercises, etc.)?



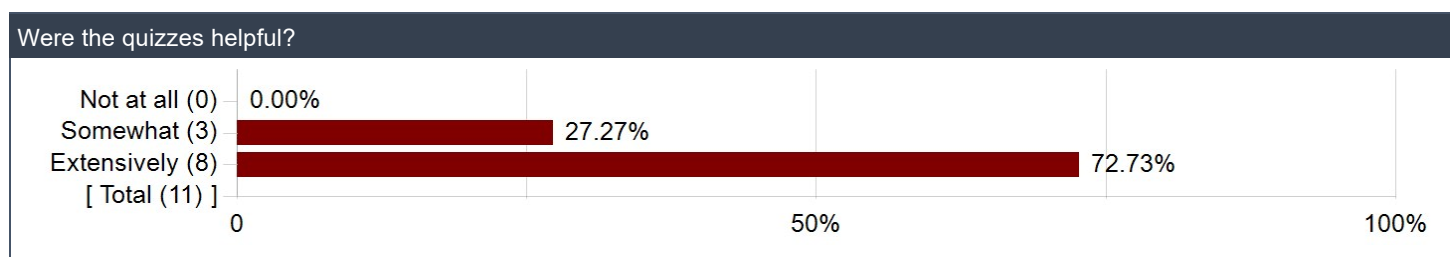
Please explain:

Comments
All of the materials greatly added to my learning experience, specifically the oral comprehension homework and audio recordings
There are a lot of assignments, but they are relatively simple and help maintain a high exposure to the language. If you do all of them and pay attention then you will be good for the midterm and finals.
The audio quality was sometimes really hard to hear.

What did you learn about culture through language?

Comments
Politeness and Formality: The French language places a significant emphasis on politeness and formality. Different forms of address (tu and vous) are used based on the level of familiarity or formality in a relationship.
I learned much about spoken vs. written language, specifically
You learn different ways of expressing things, but also about concrete cultural aspects of France.
Having small cultural lessons at the beginning of classes was very interesting! I also feel like I learned more about francophone culture by choosing diverse talk abroads

Were the quizzes helpful?



How helpful were the various types of homework?

	Mean	Median	Not At All	Somewhat	Very	N/A
Reading	2.55	3.00	0.00%	45.45%	54.55%	0.00%
Listening	2.73	3.00	0.00%	27.27%	72.73%	0.00%
Writing	2.82	3.00	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%	0.00%
Speaking	2.82	3.00	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%	0.00%

If Discussion Board/Blog Tools were used in your course, how useful did you find them?

Comments
It helped a lot in creating awareness of various French cultural activities
i liked them, although they were a bit ambiguous
They are usual for learning about French culture, not necessarily the language.
It was great to have see the cultural interests of other students!

How useful did you find the required out of class aural/oral activities (e.g. cultural activities, conversational practice, activities of your choice, films, etc.)?

Comments
Very useful
I liked them, but I wish there were most opportunities other than movies
I liked the talk abroads a lot, they were helpful and made my speech flow a little bit better than last quarters.
I really liked them!

Other comments:

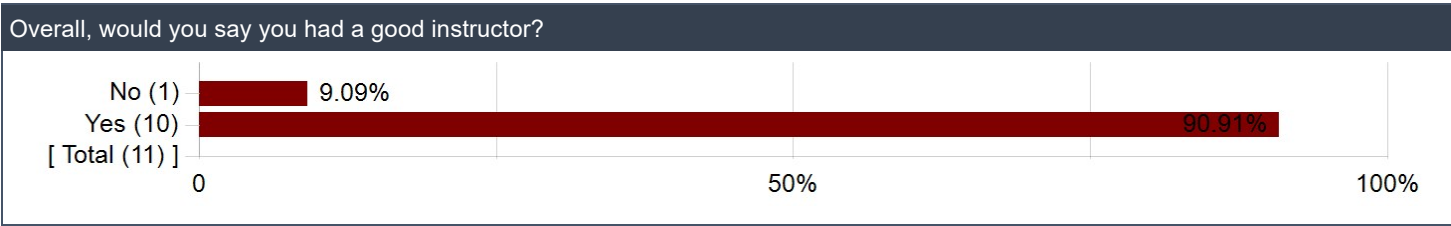
Comments
Labbouz is a wonderful professor!!! He guides and never talks down even if you feel like youve answered wrong. Very helpful, friendly, and quick to respond!!!

The Instructor

Select one option for each statement (1 lowest - 5 highest):

	Mean	Median	1- Lowest	2	3	4	5- Highest
Rate your instructor's organizational skills	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%
Rate your instructor's ability to convey the subtleties of the language	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%	90.91%
Rate your instructor's ability to encourage class conversation and participation in this language	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%
Rate your instructor's availability outside of class and willingness to help	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%	90.91%
Rate feedback on assignments and exams	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	9.09%	81.82%

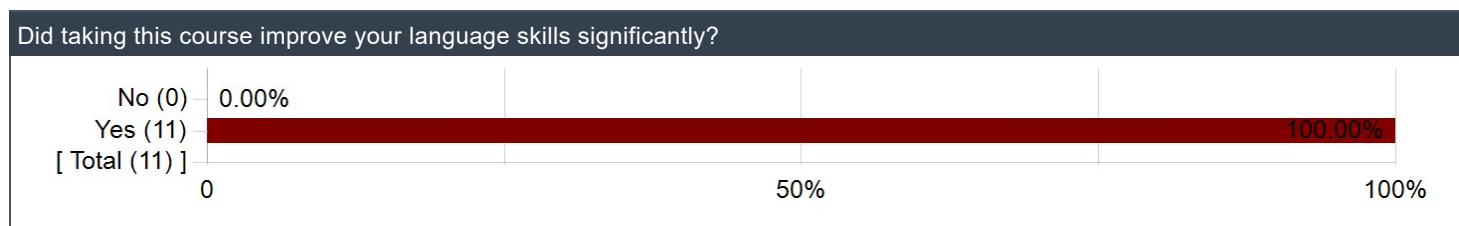
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Please explain:

Comments
Etienne is a fantastic teacher. His organization of the classroom is unparalleled, and he knows how to engage students in participating and answering questions without making them feel embarrassed in any way. He excels at encouraging and guiding, and even if your French is, to be honest, indescribable, he will still earnestly encourage you to speak up, use a rich array of expressions, and I have gained a lot of motivation and enthusiasm for learning French. Creating a welcoming classroom atmosphere with a sense of belonging is very rare. Last semester, my classmates were quite silent, but this semester, I even made quite a few friends during class. Due to being very busy with research, I haven't spent much time outside of class, but the content covered in class alone has brought me plentiful gains.
I think he is a typical college professor everyone needs. Very organized, made me love French more, contributed to my growth in the French language, and he creates a very interactive class.
I loved Etienne!!
Always came prepared and was very patient if we didn't understand something
Professor Labbouz is excellent. He does a very good job at explaining French grammar and topics, and is able to explain things in English if needed. He is incredibly personable which makes his class very enjoyable. I thoroughly enjoyed his class.
He is the ABSOLUTE BEST PROFESSOR I have ever had at this university.
Etienne was a great instructor, I highly recommend taking this class with him. Class time was always engaging, opportunities to practice speaking in front of the class or with a partner were woven into class time which helped me become a lot more comfortable with speaking, he always provided useful feedback on assignments, and the standards for success in the class were always communicated very clearly.
Every French professor I've encountered at UChicago has been amazing, and Étienne is no exception. Classes were very engaging and clear!

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



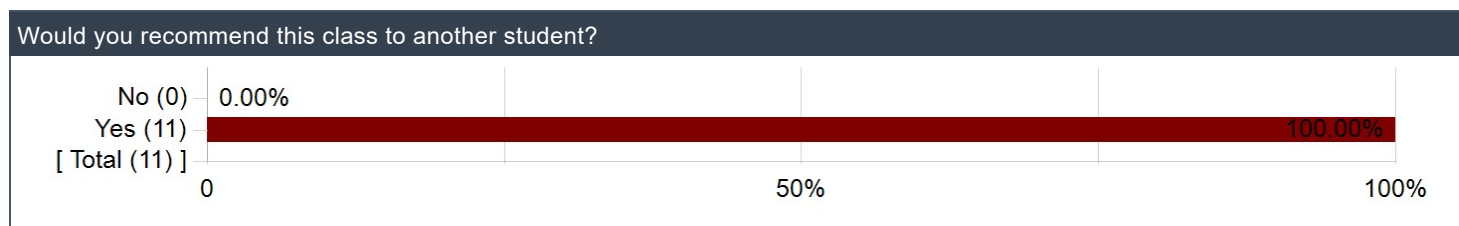
How would you improve this course?

Comments
Learning more French vocabulary and conjugation

In what way?

Comments
It grew my confidence in speaking, and mostly writing
I improved in every aspect
The class gives you a ton of exposure to the language, so you are constantly challenged to use what you know and adapt if you dont know something. It challenges you in all aspects as well.
I had never taken a French class before starting FREN 102 and I feel as though I learned so much this quarter and I am now able to speak, write, and read in French fairly comfortably.
I really liked the opportunities to have speaking practice in class.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments
Because of the Professor
the instructor and activities were very effective
The course does a good job at helping you learn the language. I would recommend you take Professor Labbouz.
This course is really geared towards teaching you how to effectively communicate in French and there is a great emphasis on speaking that allows you to see tangible results from all of the assignments and practice and you really feel like you're getting something out of the class.
Yes, it uses a lot of repetition.