

FREN 20300 2, FREN 20300 2 - Language, History, and Culture III - Instructor(s): Celine Bordeaux

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023

Number Enrolled: 9
Number of Responses: 6

Report Comments

Opinions expressed in these evaluations are those of students enrolled in the specific course and do not represent the University.

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What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

Comments

I've learnt some useful expressions and phrases.

I learned how to communicate more effectively and spontaneously in French.

I learned how to speak more fluently. I also learned a lot about writing and formal structures of grammar, sentences, etc.

How to speak more fluently, being confident when speaking and core grammar points

Advanced French grammar, beginning to French formal writing

I learned a lot more about French culture just through our class discussions, and I think my speaking and comprehension skills have improved a lot.

Describe how aspects of this course (lectures, discussions, labs, assignments, etc.) contributed to your learning.

Comments

There are several assignments for each class, helpful for practice, but organised on different websites, not exactly easy to keep track.

I loved our class discussions as well as TalkAbroad because it gave the opportunity to practice speaking much more.

In-class discussion was very fun because you get to talk to partners a lot of the time. It is a lot of work but honestly you need that much to feel like you're learning french.

Classes were fun and interesting, assignments were sometimes tedious but probably important to do well in the language (not just the class), so I understand why they exist.

I think UChicago French is structured pretty well in terms of solidifying certain aspects of the language. There is a lot of work, but it is all meant to make you practice French listening, writing, grammar, etc skills.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	66.67%
I felt respected in this class.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

There are different tasks to do before class and after class, kind of difficult to keep track. It would be better to reorganise the structure of tasks/homework for clarity.

Celine was an incredibly kind professor, I really enjoyed learning from her

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	0.00%	100.00%

Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

Comments

Céline respects every student in the class and gives each of us enough chance to speak up.

I loved how engaged and passionate the instructor was towards the topic. I learned so much from the instructor.

Celine is the most wonderful person ever!! She is so kind and understanding inside and outside of class. This empathy is what makes learning french fun in 203.

Celine is absolutely amazing, you can tell that she really cares about her students and this class. She made sure that no one was left behind, put a lot of time into grading work and assignments and providing useful feedback. She was always available outside of class if you needed and was just overall a really great instructor

I appreciate how Celine got to know our interests and experiences on an individual level in order to better converse with us in class and during the oral exams.

Celine pushed us to always speak in French and gave us a lot of opportunities to improve our skills

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

Nothing!

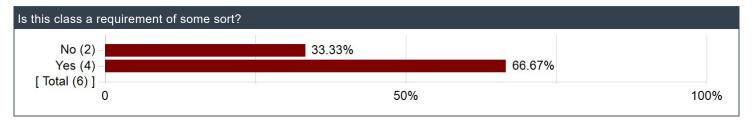
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I think there was a bit too much of a focus on grammar and too many textbook exercises, I would have preferred for things to be a little more spontaneous

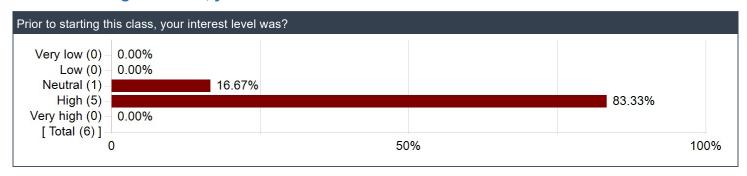
The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%

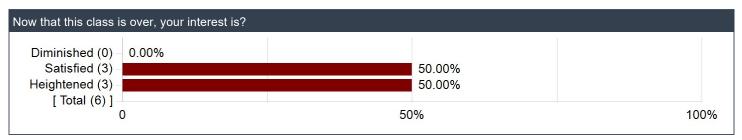
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



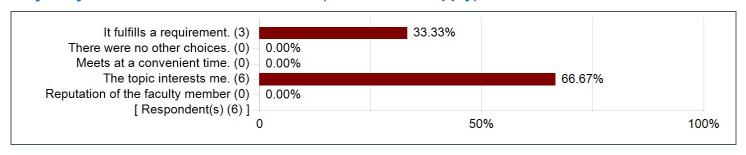
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



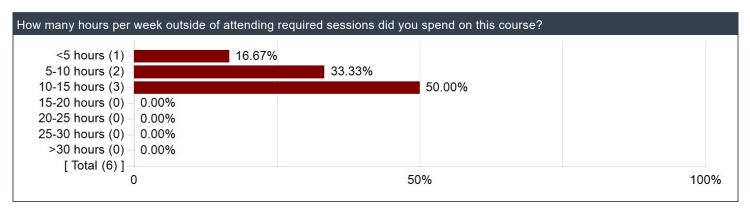
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



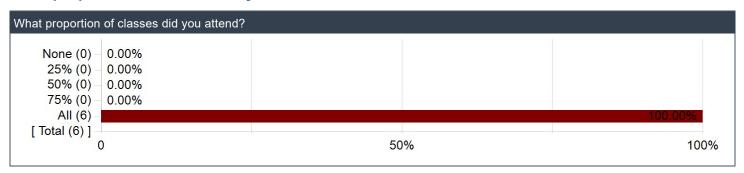
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



How many hours per week outside of attending required sessions did you spend on this course?



What proportion of classes did you attend?



Please comment on the level of difficulty of the course relative to your background and experience.

Comments

not very difficult for students who have French knowledge

The French course was the perfect amount of difficulty for me.

I took AP French and placed into 203 and it was challenging but appropriate. Again, the workload is lowkey hard but it's fun.

I did French until I was 16 (not in my final two years of high—school) and so I think the course was probably a bit more difficult for me than it needed to be but Celine was amazing at making sure no one was left behind. I will say that we had 3 heritage speakers in our class of 9, as well as a few people who had studied abroad in france or done gap years in France so the standard is definitely high. The grammar points arent too difficult though, it is more the expectation of fast flowing conversation in class and being able to talk about cultural topics, not just about yourself and your interests like you did in high school

I've taken French for a long but didn't take an AP class or anything, and I felt that I was very well prepared for this class