



# FREN 20200 2, FREN 20200 2 - Language, History, and Culture II - Instructor(s): Georgy Khabarovskiy

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **9**

Number of Responses: **8**

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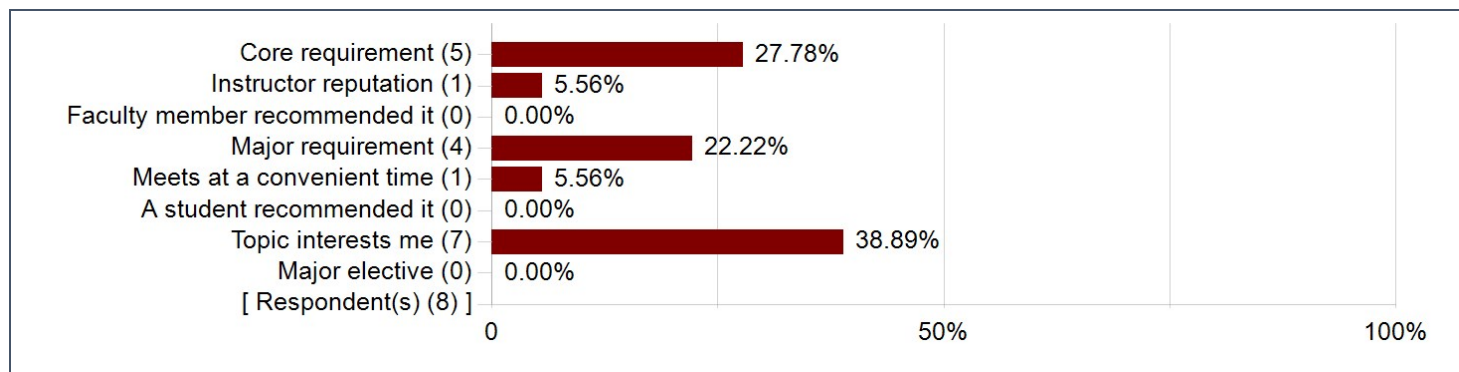
## Report Comments

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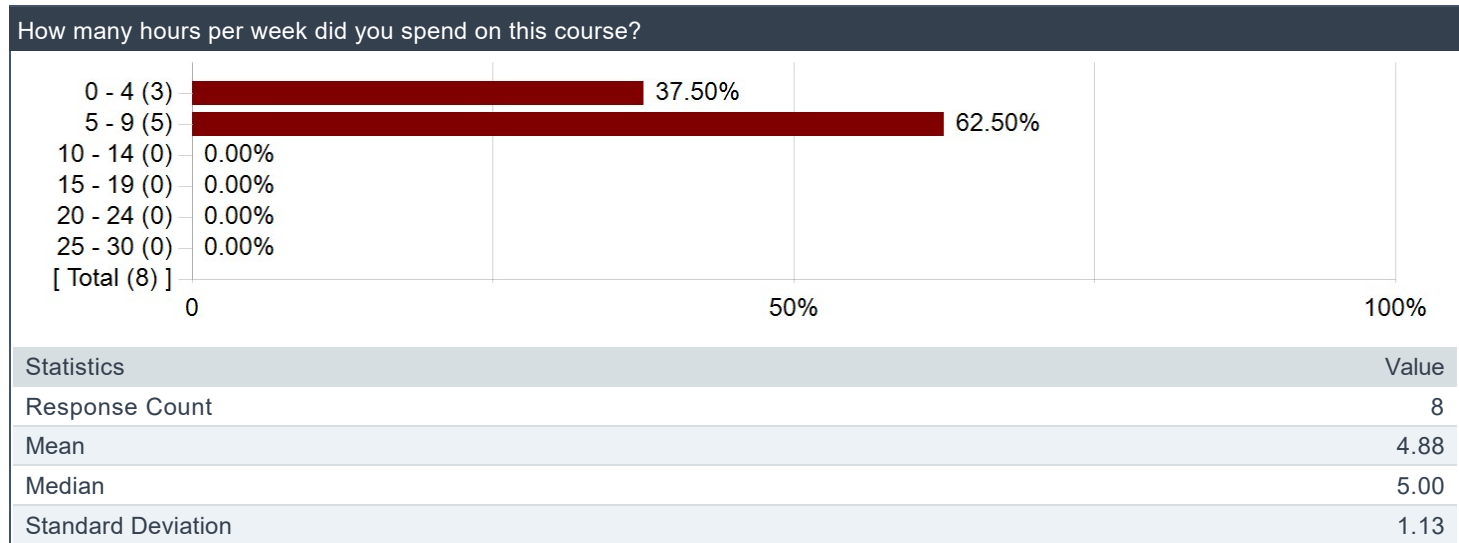
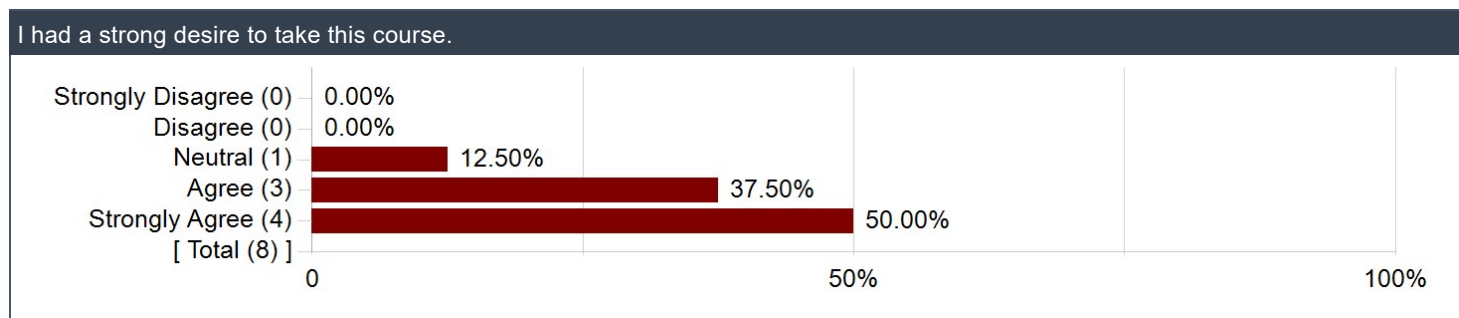
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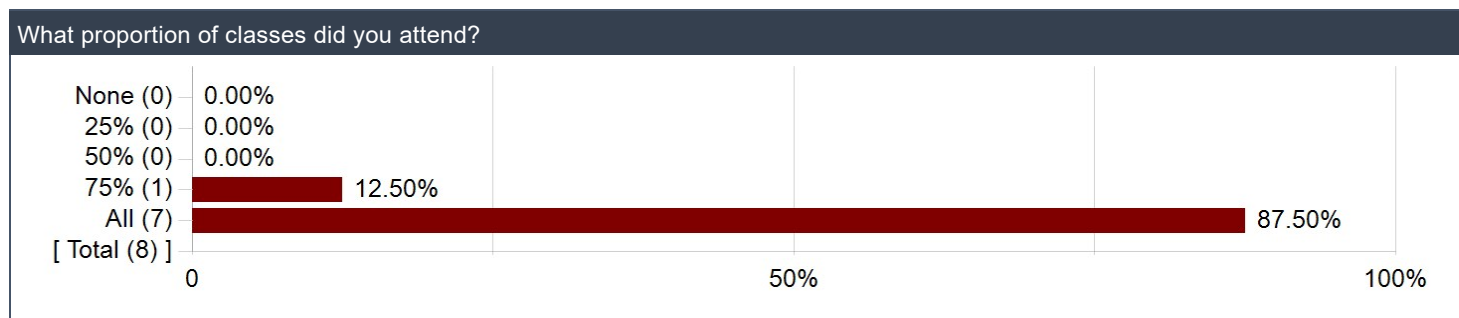
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



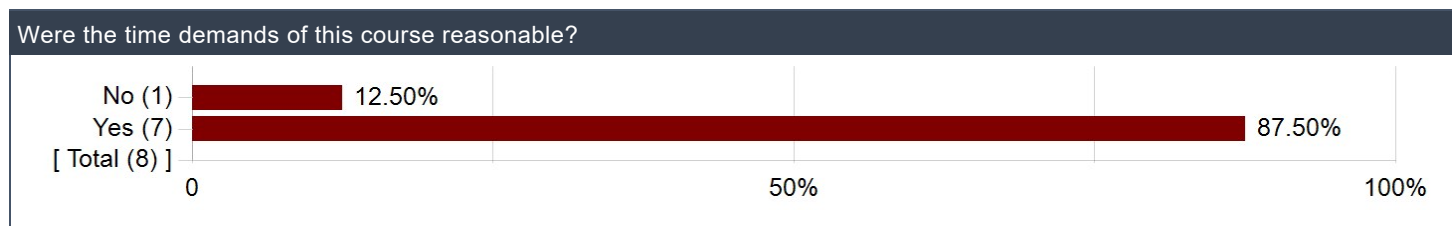
## I had a strong desire to take this course.



## What proportion of classes did you attend?



## Were the time demands of this course reasonable?



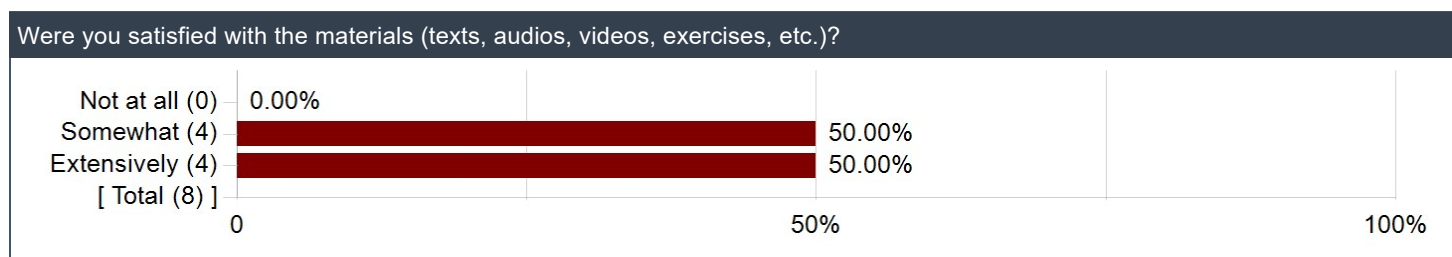
## Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%
Reading	2.88	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	37.50%	25.00%	0.00%
Writing	2.63	3.00	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	50.00%	12.50%	0.00%
Grammar	4.13	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	62.50%	25.00%
Vocabulary	3.13	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	25.00%	25.00%	12.50%
Listening	4.13	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	62.50%	25.00%

## 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%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	14.29%	57.14%
How much self-correcting audio homework did you do?	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	66.67%

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



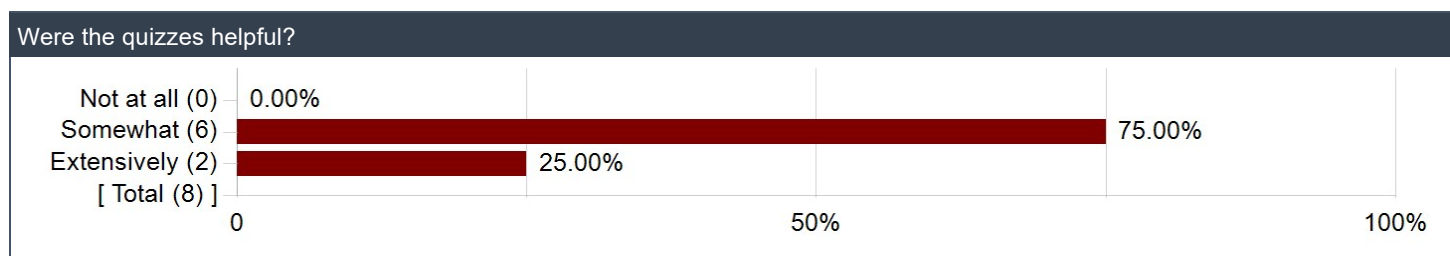
## Please explain:

Comments
The materials definitely helped me gain increasing fluency. There were a few recordings here or there where the audio quality impeded my ability to understand.
at times it felt repetitive and below our level
A lot of the videos were very old so it was tough to listen. It's also slightly disorganized in the Box website since they were hard to find. I think the textbook was useful for exercises, but it didn't explain much. e.g. for grammar, it would have been a lot more helpful if there were explanations on how to form specific grammar structures (instead of filling out the blanks for these sections). Lingco was great.
audio quality not always great, box sometimes disorganized
Materials were targeted to the specific grammar and vocabulary we were learning, while providing access to real-life French and French speakers.

## What did you learn about culture through language?

Comments
We were shown some nuances in French dining customs, but much of the focus was on conversation that didn't touch as much on cultural exchange.
not much
I think it was less focused on the culture and more about grammar, e.g. going to the doctor/doing chores instead of learning about France itself which I think would have been more helpful. However the presentations that we did definitely gave us an insight into the culture.
spoke with talk abroad instructors
For class assignments I was able to consume Francophone media and talk with French speakers throughout the world.

## Were the quizzes helpful?



## How helpful were the various types of homework?

	Mean	Median	Not At All	Somewhat	Very	N/A
Reading	2.57	3.00	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	12.50%
Listening	2.75	3.00	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	0.00%
Writing	2.43	2.00	0.00%	50.00%	37.50%	12.50%
Speaking	2.88	3.00	0.00%	12.50%	87.50%	0.00%

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

Comments
I found them useful: we used discussion to post our presentations and comment on those 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
These provided an enriching element to the course content. The TalkAbroad conversations were intimidating, but also a fun experience.
i really enjoyed it it was a really cool way to go deeper into our studies
I think they were super great since they really immersed us in French outside the classroom. It'd be great if we had more of these! e.g. maybe watching movies and writing an essay in French on it, etc.
quite useful
These were incredibly helpful: it was great to get to hear French speakers from the Caribbean and Africa to learn about their culture.
Cultural activities not so beneficial, the expose was an excellent exercise though

Other comments:

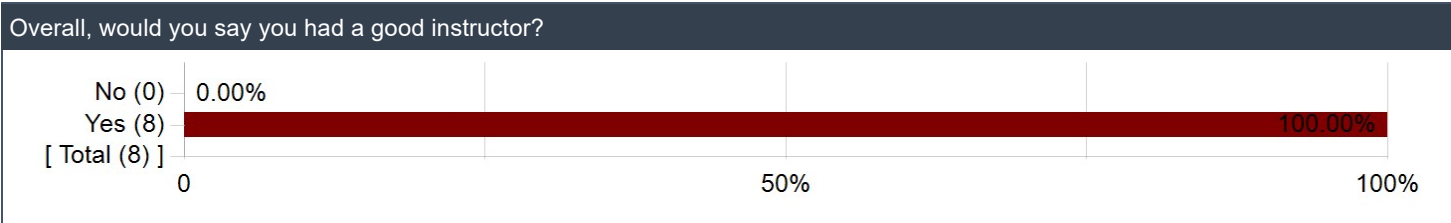
Comments
Maybe it's not the teaching style that I'm used to, but this class felt very grammar heavy, which was good but felt less conducive to speaking freely since in class, whenever we would discuss, it was mainly using the specific grammar structure instead of having the conversation be natural. However, a lot of the subjects e.g doing chores or going to the doctors felt almost a little too easy. I think what would've been great was if we focused less on grammar and more on the cultural aspects of French speaking countries themselves—this would've opened up the doors to great discussions in French and immersed us in French life. Also I think homework could have been varied? I think it's universal for all French classes, but self-marking assignments and listening to audio/filling in the blanks felt not too conducive to improving my French. But overall, I enjoyed this course and the grammar focus definitely helped me speak/write better in written French, and Georgy is incredible! Very nice and lenient and makes sure that the requirements are clear. He's great!

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	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to convey the subtleties of the language	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%
Rate your instructor's ability to encourage class conversation and participation in this language	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%
Rate your instructor's availability outside of class and willingness to help	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%
Rate feedback on assignments and exams	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%

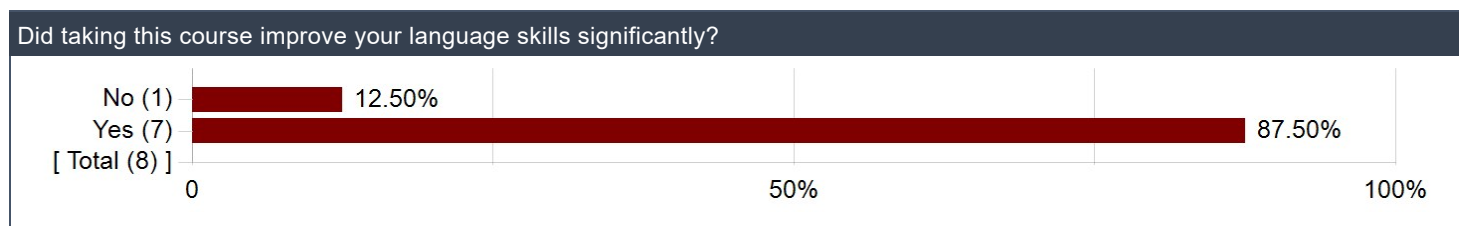
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Please explain:

Comments
Georgy is a one-of-a-kind professor!!
Georgy has been very helpful and responsive as a professor, encouraging the class to reach a higher standard of proficiency. I also enjoyed the anecdotes he shared in conversation.
he is a really good french professor who seems to really care about his students
He makes the goals of the class clear and is very helpful in making us speak—definitely helps us speak up in French and makes it natural.
Professor Georgy was kind and extremely attentive during lessons. In class, he ensured that everyone got a chance to speak and that everyone understood the grammar, vocabulary, and grammar details. Outside of class, he graded assignments promptly, provided helpful feedback, and quickly responded to emails with questions.
Prof Khabarovsky is one of the best professors I've had in my four years at the college. Incredibly patient, kind, and intelligent.

## Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



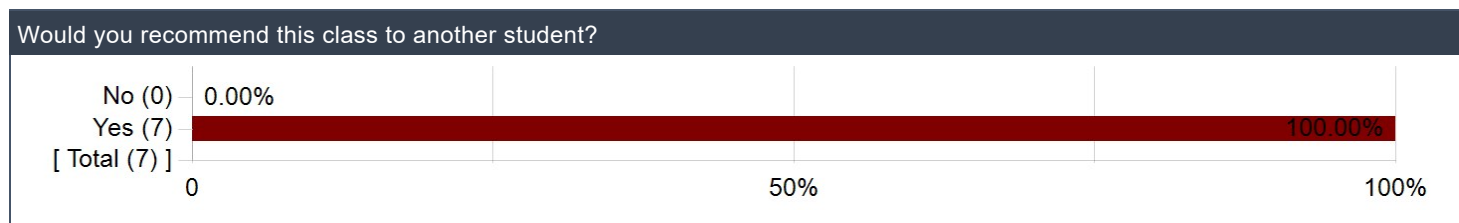
## How would you improve this course?

Comments
I would make the vocabulary/grammar concepts for each unit more easily available in a list for review, since the textbook tends to scatter the vocabulary throughout different pages.
more writing and a lot more culture
Variation of homework, speaking outside of the confines of the specific topic(going into depth about culture specficially)
I wouldn't: it was great

## In what way?

Comments
My listening comprehension was challenged (coming from a high-school background), as well as attention to grammar.
We spoke a lot so speaking felt more natural and the grammar focus allowed us to write clearer.
I became more confident and versatile in my French language skills

## Would you recommend this class to another student?



## Why?

Comments
This class was engaging and also helped me continue growth in my skills with French.
This class helps further and improve foundational French language skills