



FREN 10402 1, FREN 10402 1 - Heritage French : Developing Foundational Skills - Instructor(s): Isabelle Faton

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

Number Enrolled: **7**

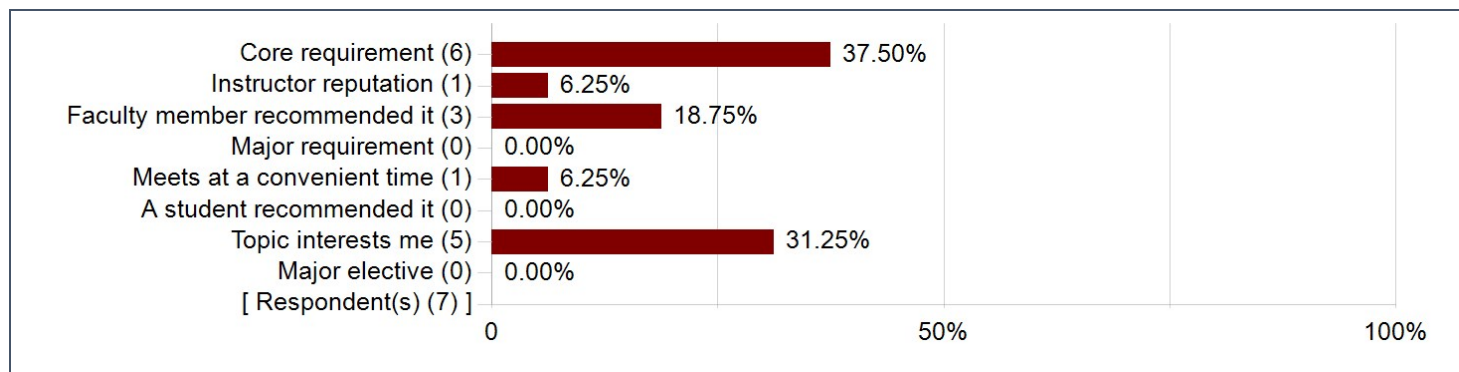
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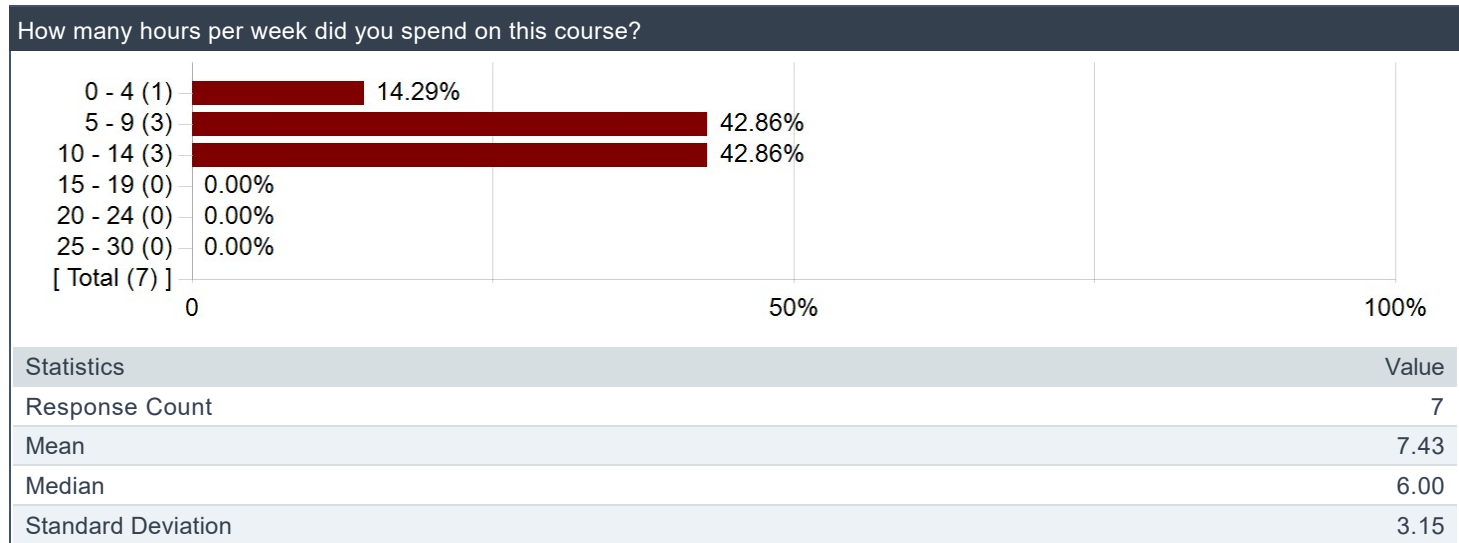
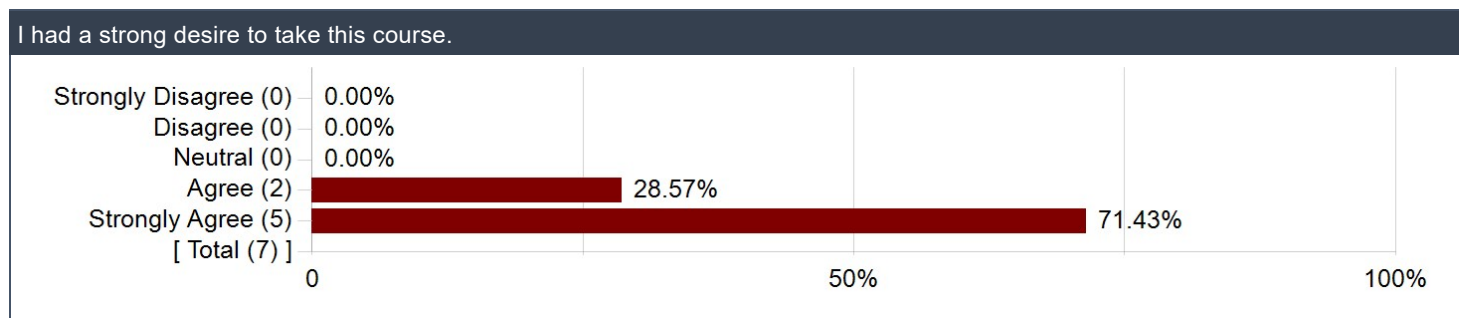
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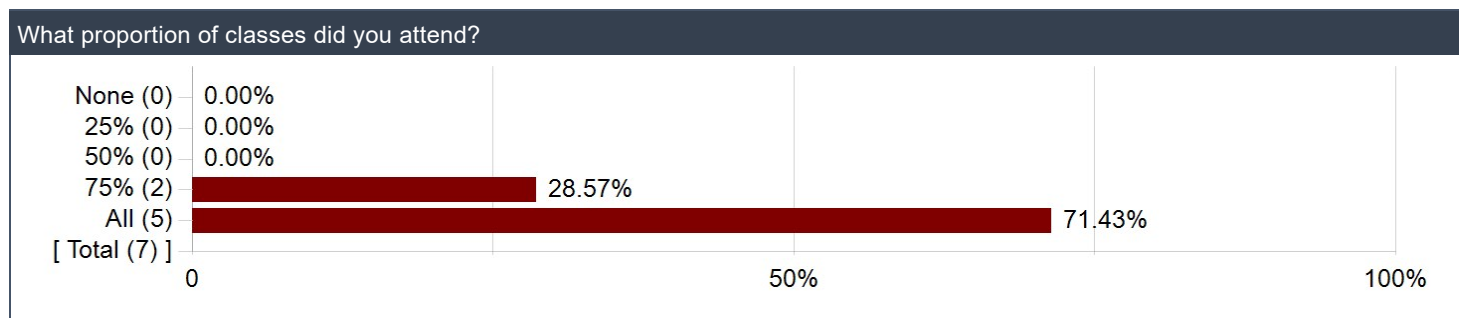
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



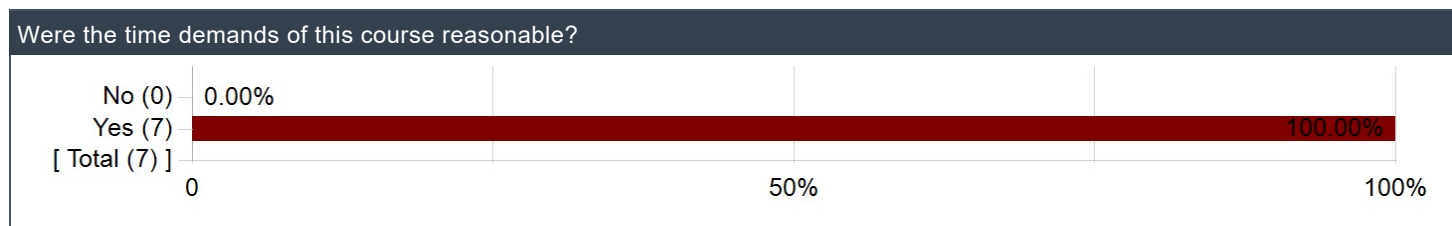
I had a strong desire to take this course.



What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the time demands of this course reasonable?



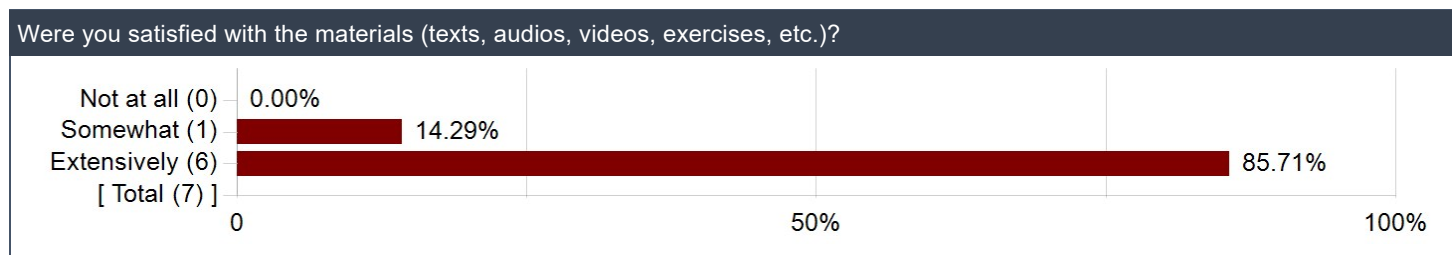
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	4.43	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	57.14%
Reading	3.57	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	42.86%	14.29%
Writing	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	14.29%	42.86%
Grammar	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%
Vocabulary	3.57	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	42.86%	14.29%
Listening	3.57	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	57.14%	28.57%	14.29%

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%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%
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%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%

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



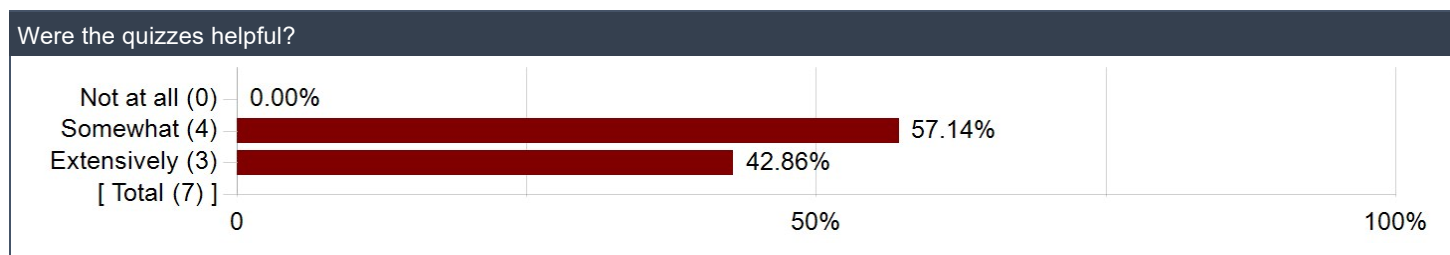
Please explain:

Comments
The rigor of the courseload offered allows us to become more fluent as time progresses.
Everything was very well chosen for our level of comprehension and grammar
materials were at a reasonable level for the course but still challenging
Yes I really liked how all the class lectures were provided on the Canvas page which included all the materials needed in an organized fashion. For example, having both the student and professor versions was helpful.
I learned a lot of valuable cultural information through each exercise; the course was set up well.
i think more textbook readings and explanation for the grammar would've been helpful

What did you learn about culture through language?

Comments
Not much that I didn't already know, but I got to interact more with the culture through French media and conversations with other Francophone speakers.
food, films, slang terms, culture of other francophones
I learned about aspects of French culture such as l'aperitif through assigned course readings
I feel that language works hand in hand with the culture of where it comes from and this class really made it feel this way. I learned about many aspects of french lifestyle that I was unaware of despite having been there many times. This includes the French education system, French news outlets, French cuisine, and more
We had a final project about our French heritage; it was awesome to learn about ourselves using the vocabulary and structures we learned in class.
music, food

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%	42.86%	57.14%	0.00%
Listening	2.86	3.00	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Writing	3.00	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Speaking	2.86	3.00	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%

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

Comments
N/A
n/a

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.)?

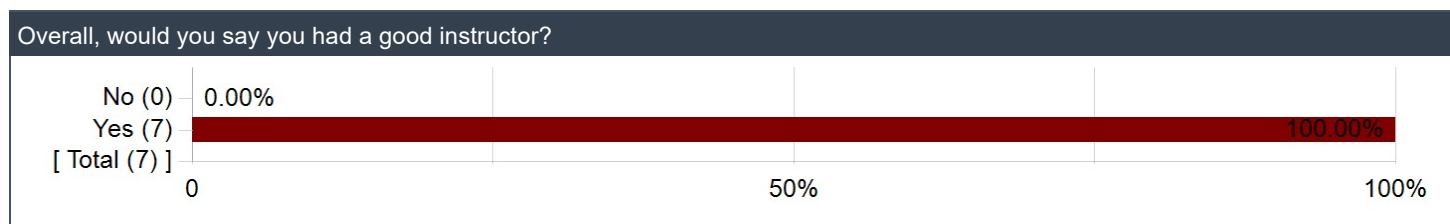
Comments
Having conversations helps speaking the language become more natural and less formulaic over time.
very useful at actually seeing our progress in the real world
they helped with writing and grammar and exposed me to the French culture
Found them to be more engaging because we had more choice with how incorporating the assignments with interests of our own.
Extremely useful
very useful helped what we were learning in class

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	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to convey the subtleties of the language	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to encourage class conversation and participation in this language	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Rate your instructor's availability outside of class and willingness to help	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
Rate feedback on assignments and exams	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%

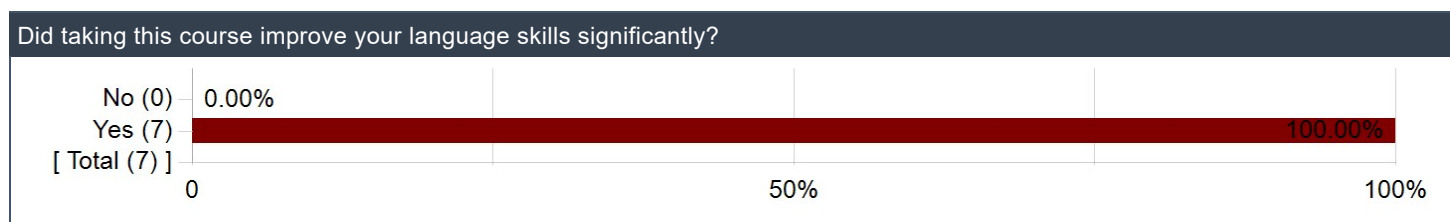
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Please explain:

Comments
She was/is a very passionate teacher, is sympathetic, and years to see her students succeed in and outside of class.
Isabelle is my favorite teacher at this school. So dedicated, kind, and fun.
She is extremely encouraging and makes learning the language very fun and effective! I feel like she doesn't put unreasonable pressure on anyone and while there are a lot of assignments they are graded nicely and don't take up too much time
Her homework assignments include an equal amount of listening, writing, and reading to get a holistic French experience. She is encouraging and provides good feedback. Her assignments are on interesting topics to keep the class engaging.
I found Professor Faton to be a great instructor. Both in her way of teaching the material and the type of work she assigned to students, she was great. As well as being very accommodating when I went through personal difficulties over the span of a week. I can also tell very well that she really cared about the wellbeing of our class environment and really wanted to ensure that every student enjoyed re-exploring their french heritage in this class.
Dr. Faton was a great instructor, who made sure every student was learning and caught up throughout the quarter. I learned so much in this class and hope to have her again as a professor.

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



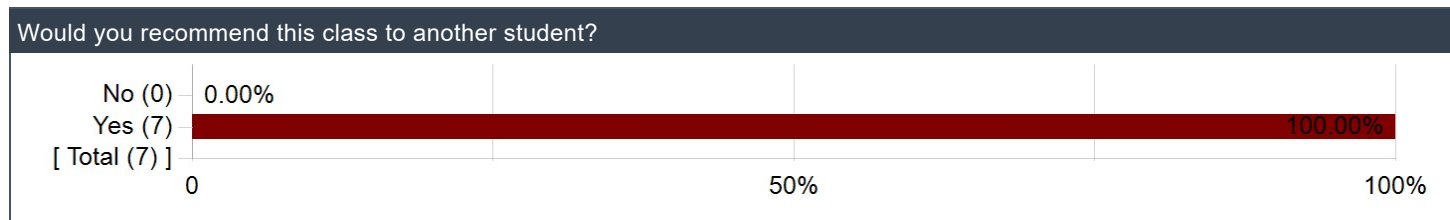
How would you improve this course?

Comments
More writing assignments in class.
I really enjoyed learning about the culture so maybe more of that but overall the course was really well structured
The workload was a bit hard to manage, so fewer assignments
One thing that I'd do to improve the course would be to change the use of doing the pre-class exercises. While I found them to be helpful during class, it was very difficult to get through it on my own having not learned that day's new material until after the class would happen. Because of this, I gradually neglected doing those exercises even though I technically should have been doing it every day.
N/A
a lot of busy work

In what way?

Comments
I'm more proficient in reading, writing, and speaking French now than before I took the class.
build confidence
my accent improves, my confidence, my vocabulary and grammar and my spelling skills significantly improved
I know more conjugations
I feel more confident in my ability to read/write, which was something I had struggled to do prior because I had never taken a formal french class in my life before. So this support of learning technical grammar was helpful.
I am a lot more confident in speaking now.
learned grammar

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments
For French Heritage speakers, it provides a good transition from speaking whatever dialect you've spoken before or whatever proficiency in the language you've had before to a more advanced level in French by the end of the course.
it was great!
It helped us to connect with our individual heritages more through the language and through exposure to other heritage learners
you learn a lot about the language and culture in francophone countries
It's a great class especially if you're a heritage learner who has a background in the language and its culture, I learned a lot especially since it was my first ever formal class despite having been able to speak french pretty well at home/with family.
The material weaves in students heritage and cultural questions in with vocab and grammar, leaving students more knowledgeable about themselves and French in general.
very fun and helpful