

Package Courses (French Language)**Course Title:** French Language Skills (1)**Course Code and Number:** LCF 101**Instruction Mode:** In-person**Target Group:** Undergraduate students at Yarmouk University**Prerequisites:** None**Course Description:**

This course is an introductory course in basic French for beginners. It focuses on the four main language skills: listening comprehension, reading comprehension, speaking, and writing. During this course, students will practice listening to simple audio materials, reading short texts, as well as engaging in conversation practice, and writing short and simple texts. Wherever possible, authentic texts and real-life scenarios are used, such as the use of public transportation, shopping, visiting the bakery, etc. The course is designed for students who have no prior knowledge of French. It introduces them to the essential practical basics of the language by presenting a variety of elementary vocabulary, grammar, and conjugation of essential verbs. It also exposes students to foundational language skills, especially listening comprehension and correct pronunciation of simple sentences and phrases, through practical, everyday-life-related activities.

Course Objectives:

In this course, students will learn to decode the French language both orally and in writing, by working with concrete and simple ideas related to daily life. They will also be able, to some extent, to participate in very basic oral or written conversations. To achieve this, students will be taught how to use communication strategies, including appropriate language use, hand signals, and other non-verbal mediums. In addition, the course enables students to familiarize themselves with tools that support message creation and improve language awareness, such as language models, paper and electronic dictionaries, and essential practical vocabulary. Eventually, students will have built a foundation level of language proficiency and developed effective learning strategies for future language acquisition.

Skills Acquired from the Course:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Present themselves verbally or in writing.
2. Write short and simple texts in French.
3. Express themselves appropriately in French within the framework of the studied material.
4. Use a set of basic words and phrases concerning workplace settings.
5. Apply what has been learned in real-life conversations outside the class.

Credit Hours: 3 hours per week.

Course Title: French Language Skills (2)

Course Code and Number: LCF 102

Instruction Mode: In-person

Target Group: Undergraduate students at Yarmouk University

Prerequisites: The student must have completed the prerequisite course LCF 101

Course Description:

This course is an elementary course for beginners with some prior knowledge of French. It focuses on reading, oral comprehension, and listening to (audio-visual) texts. Students will read short and authentic texts, and practice real-life situations that are drawn from daily and academic life. The course also includes individual and group language practice. The goal is to enhance the foundational learning skills (written and oral comprehension, oral production, and written production) acquired in the previous course. The course enables students to present information, express their opinions and feelings, make judgments and observations, and produce coherent texts on topical subjects at a good level of language. This course also covers French sentence structure and verb conjugation in the future, past, and imperative tenses.

Course Objectives:

By the end of this course, students will be able to understand basic aspects of the French language, both spoken and written, and grasp the overall meaning of short and simple spoken or written texts on specific topics related to their prior knowledge. They will be able to read and understand simple texts and conversations, such as posters, invitations, timetables (class schedules), diaries, and discuss them, as well as engage in basic classroom discussions. Students will also begin to build a basic linguistic foundation of the language and develop effective learning techniques. In addition, they will start to think in ways that enable them to recognize important topics related to communication and cultural aspects of French, both in everyday life and in an academic setting.

Skills Acquired from the Course:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand written texts and audio materials at the intermediate level, both oral and textual.
2. Discuss and understand timetables, class schedules, and diaries.
3. Describe the university, where the university is located, directions to the university, and discuss lectures.

Credit Hours: 3 hours weekly.

Course Title: French Language Skills (3)

Course Code and Number: LCF 103

Instruction Mode: In-person

Target Group: Undergraduate students at Yarmouk University

Prerequisites: The student must have completed the prerequisite course LCF 102

Course Description:

This course focuses on the continuous review and development of reading and writing skills. It reinforces the correct use and analysis of linguistic features of different types of texts. Students will review key reading objectives, such as identifying the intended audience and topic, distinguishing between main and supporting ideas, understanding punctuation marks, and identifying the structure and organization of texts. Moreover, the course also includes writing objectives that include note-taking, memo-writing, short reports, emails, etc. It also aims to strengthen grammar and vocabulary skills. Both individual and group language practice are included throughout the course. The course further aims to improve oral and written expression skills by using audio-visual learning materials that cover various topics at an intermediate language proficiency level. This integrated approach helps students to understand others and communicate with them orally and in writing effectively in French.

Course Objectives:

In this course, students will be able to read authentic materials related to their workplace or academic environment in the target language, across various levels of language proficiency. In addition, they will be able to recognize explicit and implicit concepts and ideas in dialogues or texts, and summarize the main ideas. Students will also practice intermediate-level oral interactions and compose coherent and organized pieces of writing of medium length (up to 100 words).

Skills Acquired through the Course:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Read and write whole texts with correct punctuation within the scope of the topic.
2. Comprehend and interpret audio materials at an intermediate level.
3. Verbalize and write expressions about their interests in the present and future times.
4. Communicate with native speakers of French in urban areas and tourist destinations.
5. Gain familiarity with urban life in French cities.

Credit Hours: 3 hours per week.

Course Title: French Language Skills (4)

Course Code and Number: LCF 104

Instruction Mode: In-person

Target Group: Undergraduate students at Yarmouk University

Prerequisites: The student must have completed the prerequisite course LCF 103

Course Description:

This course focuses on revising and structuring the French language code and applying it to oral comprehension and written production exercises (pronunciation, spelling relationships, oral grammar, vocabulary, etc.). It focuses on the development of writing techniques and listening comprehension, supported by functional exercises, and spoken production through conversations, listening exercises, role plays, and communication-based activities drawn from real-life scenarios, professional, and academic university contexts. The course incorporates authentic spoken and written practices to help students engage in various levels of language proficiency and to interact orally effectively on topics requiring an advanced level of language. This is achieved by designing practical scenarios related to professions and businesses that mimic real life. Students will be trained to communicate effectively in various settings such as tourism, trade, and travel.

Course Objectives:

By the end of this course, students will be able to understand various types of orally delivered messages, e.g., conversations with colleagues, explanations and instructions, phone messages, and others. Furthermore, students will be able to engage in simple and spontaneous conversations with fellow students as well as instructors. This will enable them to initiate brief talks and conversations about their lives and the main events of their daily routine. This course also encourages role-plays and interactions with classmates and members of the general public. Finally, Students will be able to answer general questions related to academic, professional, and social contexts. The course carries a credit load of three hours weekly.

Skills Acquired from the Course:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Communicate orally and in writing in everyday contexts (visit to the cinema, restaurant, transport, etc.).
2. Write a cover letter for a job application and compose a CV in French.
3. Discuss work and express previous experiences.
4. Participate and understand meetings in work or university settings.
5. Express opinions and articulate them through using phrases and expressions related to this purpose.

Credit Hours: 3 hours per week.

Learning French opens up many opportunities for both your career and education. Below are some of the career and educational paths available:

Work Areas:

1. **Education:** You can work as a French language teacher in schools, universities, or language centers.
2. **Translation and Editing:** You can work as a French translator or editor for firms, organizations, or publication houses.
3. **Tourism and Hospitality:** You may work in hotels, restaurants, or travel agencies that deal with French-speaking tourists.
4. **Journalism and Media:** You may work as a journalist, reporter, or translator for a media outlet operating in French or Arabic.
5. **International Relations:** You may work for international organizations, embassies, or companies dealing with French-speaking countries.
6. **Multinational Companies:** Many French companies or companies with business ties with France seek employees who know French.
7. **International Trade:** You may work with import-export firms dealing with French-speaking markets.

Education:

1. You can pursue graduate studies in French language and literature.
2. You can study applied linguistics or translation.
3. You can study international relations or political science.
4. You can study marketing or business administration.
5. You can study hospitality or tourism.