

French through Culture and Conversation LANG6312

Course Outline

Description: Are you interested in practicing your French while exploring and discovering cultural aspects of francophone countries? This course is designed for students who possess some French language background and would like to expand on their knowledge through conversation. We will focus on developing oral communication skills while exploring various cultural practices of different francophone nations. Topics will include visual arts, literature, dance, music, storytelling and the cinema among others. The course is designed so that students will first be introduced to vocabulary relating to each theme which they will then use during discussions and activities.

Course Goals:

- To revive and expand on students' previous knowledge of the French language
- To reinforce listening comprehension and oral production in French
- To develop a repertoire of vocabulary and expressions relating to cultural themes

Course Objectives: At the completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Use new vocabulary related to the various topics presented
- Follow discussions on cultural themes and participate in the discussions by voicing his/her opinion

Attendance Requirements:

Students must miss no more than two classes to receive a completion for this course. A grade report can be printed from myWCS.

Code of Student Conduct:

The purpose of the Code of Student Conduct is to define the general standard of conduct expected of students registered at Western University, provide examples of behaviour that constitutes a breach of this standard of conduct, provide examples of sanctions that may be imposed, and set out the disciplinary procedures that the University will follow. For the complete Code of Student Conduct: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/code.pdf.



Course Schedule:

| Week/ Semaine | Sujets |
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| 1 | Introduction : La Francophonie Expressions: Donner son avis |
| 2 | Danser à la Réunion et à l'Ile Maurice |
| 3 | Musique Cajun |
| 4 | Entre music et la littérature : la poésie slam |
| 5 | Contes et légendes |
| 6 | Cuisine : Épices et fusion |
| 7 | Littérature: Deux auteurs fondateurs de la francophonie |
| 8 | Cinéma et le court métrage |
| 9 | Des arts visuels au Canada francophone |
| 10 | Projets: Surprise! |