

## Everyday French: A Québécois Adventure FIMW7000

### Course Outline

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#### Description:

In this online course, you will complete a number of modules that include both linguistic and cultural components. Move through the content at your own pace and learn or refresh basic language skills. Listen and practice speaking. Build your confidence communicating in typical daily interactions while training your ears for the accents you would hear in Quebec, other areas of French-speaking Canada and in francophone areas around the world.

This course is open to learners with a variety of levels of experience with French. You can select to focus on course material that will be most beneficial to your individual needs.

#### Course Goals:

This course aims to prepare you to handle simple everyday interactions that you will encounter in francophone regions as well as to introduce you to some particularities you might encounter in the Québécois context. To that end, you will be completing exercises that include both linguistic and cultural components. We have used the setting of a virtual visit to Trois-Pistoles, Quebec, the town that has been hosting Western's French Immersion program for nearly 90 years.

#### Course Objectives:

The course has three objectives:

- To familiarize students with simple phrases used in everyday interactions
- To train students' ears to the Québécois accent and some Québécois expressions
- To provide students with cultural background information about Trois-Pistoles and the surrounding region

#### Evaluation:

This is a graded course where a complete or incomplete will be issued. In order to receive completion for this course, you must pass (earn 50% or more) any two of the mini-quizzes and pass the final evaluation.

#### When will I receive my grades?

Final grades will be available 2 weeks after the last scheduled day of the course. A grade report can be printed from myWCS.

#### Western Digital Badge

If you have met the course requirements for this Western approved [micro-credential](#), you will receive an email from [MyCreds](#) to claim your digital badge. Badges are embedded with data that verifies your skills and achievements. Share them with your employer, on LinkedIn and other social media sites.

Module	Topics introduced
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Greetings and introductions</li><li>• Numbers and the alphabet</li><li>• Interactions in simple situations (e.g., registering at the school)</li><li>• An introduction to the town of Trois-Pistoles</li><li>• The Québécois accent - some common pronunciation tips</li></ul>

2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Asking for information</li><li>• Finding your way inside the school and around town (directions)</li><li>• Classroom expressions</li><li>• Renting a bike</li><li>• Road signs in Quebec – fun facts</li></ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Describing yourself (personality, nationality, profession or studies, favourite activities)</li><li>• Taking part in extracurricular activities and inviting friends along</li><li>• Talking about your weekly schedule</li><li>• Telling time</li><li>• Anglicisms in Quebec</li></ul>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Daily interactions in various situations (e.g., in a café, in a store)</li><li>• Describing objects using colours</li><li>• Expressions used in medical situations</li><li>• Describing health concerns (e.g., interacting with a doctor)</li><li>• Quebecois food and specialties of the Bas-Saint-Laurent region</li></ul>