

## SYLLABUS

### Academic Year 2024-2025

### Fall semester

**Course :** French as a Foreign Language (FFL) – general French

**Level:** A1.1 (Complete beginner)

**Learning objective:**

The course aims at gaining basic knowledge in French language and working your way towards the **A1** level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages ([CEFR](#)). The A1 level is usually reached after completing two terms – A1.1 and A1.2 – of 36 hours each.

**CEFR A0 level of at the beginning of the course:** *no knowledge of French language.*

**General descriptor of the CEFR A1 target level [upon completion of two semesters]:**

*"The learner can understand and use familiar daily expressions and very basic phrases whose goal is to satisfy all practical needs. They can introduce themselves and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where they live, people they know and things they have. They can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help."*

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**Meeting Days and Time:** Monday, 4:00-6:00 p.m.\*

\*Except for Monday, October 21 (Room 107), Wednesday, November 13 (Room 104) and Monday, November 18 (Room 007, 04:15 p.m. to 06:15 p.m.).

**Mode of instruction :** Hybrid class (3 weekly hours)

- In-class sessions: two weekly hours
- Remote asynchronous session: one weekly hour (Elearning/Moodle platform)

**Moodle:**

The asynchronous learning activities done in the online part of the course require access to the Moodle learning platform – accessible via Université Gustave Eiffel's Elearning platform: <https://elearning.univ-eiffel.fr/>.

The use of Moodle will be explained to you in class. A short introduction to Moodle for students – which exists in French only – is available at the following link: [Plateforme pédagogique Moodle: Guide de l'Étudiant](#).

**Credits:** 3 ECTS (if applicable)

**Fall semester schedule :**

Registration : June 10 to September 16, 2024

Placement test deadline : until September 17, 2024

Beginning of class: week of September 23, 2024

Toussaint Mid-Term Recess: week of October 28, 2024

Public holiday (Remembrance Day, no class): November 1, 2024\*

Final Exam/Last day of classes: week of Monday, December 16, 2024

Christmas Holidays: weeks of Monday, December 23 and of Monday, December 30, 2024

\*class will be made up on Wednesday, November 13, at the usual time (room 104)

**Assessment:** Full continuous assessment, composed of two parts:

**1/ Ongoing assessment throughout the term (60% of the final grade)**

Continuous assessment will take into account grades received both in class (30% of the final grade) and online (30% of the final grade). Please refer to the schedule of main assignments on pages 4-5.

**2/ Final exam (40% of the final grade)**

The final exam will be a written test. It will assess the acquisition of the target language level at the end of the course in at least three different language skills.

Please note that no official examination notices are sent.

Upon completion of the course, students will obtain a **certificate of achievement**, which will state their level of French and their final grade, along with the ECTS credits that will be received – if applicable.

**Attendance policy:**

Under the full continuous assessment system, and in compliance with the *Modalités de Contrôle des Connaissances* specific to FLE and FLS courses at Université Gustave Eiffel, attendance to every class is mandatory. In case of any unjustified absence, you will not be able to validate the course and no credits will be awarded. In case of an absence, notify the administrative staff at [fle.international@univ-eiffel.fr](mailto:fle.international@univ-eiffel.fr) within 48 hours. Failure to do so will result in an unjustified absence (“ABI”).

The only documents accepted in case of absences are medical notes or official convocations notices. For any other case, the Academic Coordinator for French as a Foreign Language Programs will decide whether or not a given reason is an acceptable justification for absence. Foreseeable absences must be notified in advance.

**Contact for your administrative questions:**

Service des Relations Internationales (SRI), Pôle Français Langue Etrangère

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**Contact for your academic questions & appointment requests:**

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## **Our French as a Foreign Language webpage:**

<https://www.univ-gustave-eiffel.fr/en/international/french-as-a-foreign-language-fle-classes>

## **Complaint Form**

If you would like to file a complaint about your French course, you can download a complaint form on our webpage. Fill out the form – available in French and English – and email it back as an attachment to [fle.international@univ-eiffel.fr](mailto:fle.international@univ-eiffel.fr). We will respond to your complaint as soon as possible.

## **End-of-semester course survey:**

Course participants are kindly asked to submit their assessment of the course they have taken via a Wooclap survey link at the end of the semester. Note that this survey is anonymous and is usually done in class. The feedback we receive helps us assess and improve the quality of our French courses.

## **French As a Foreign Language certification:**

If you need or want to get your language level of French officially certified, you can find information about the DELF – *Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française* – on France Education International's website [DELF tout public - niveau A1 | France Education international \(france-education-international.fr\)](https://www.france-education-international.fr/).

## **Resources in French :**

French as a Foreign Language books are available at the Georges Perec University Library. Numerous magazines in French and a rich collection of DVDs in French are also there for you !

## **Student Representative:**

A student representative for the A1.1 French course will be elected at the beginning of the term. The role of the student representative is to serve as liaison between the instructor and the students and to voice needs or requests during the term.

## **Tutoring:**

In order to enrich your French learning experience, a free on-campus tutoring service is offered to all students enrolled in French as a Foreign Language courses at Université Gustave Eiffel. More detailed information on the schedule, location and registration process will be communicated in class and on the Moodle platform.

## **Café français:**

You are strongly encouraged to attend the bimonthly *Café français* conversation workshop at Ada Lovelace Building - La Centrif' – Room 004 or 107 – from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following dates: October 11, October 25, November 15, November 29, December 13. No registration is needed and you can come for as long as you want. This is a great way for you to practice your French and meet other international students in an informal setting. Croissants, coffee, tea and juice are offered free of charge.

## Outline of the A1.1 French as a Foreign Language course\*

Week	<b>Themes</b> Language Pragmatic Goals*	<b>Assignments*</b> [en ligne = <i>online</i> ] [en classe = <i>in-class</i> ] In red : continuous assessment assignments	
1	<b>Phonie-graphie / Phonics and spelling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Lire et prononcer le français / <i>Reading and pronouncing French</i></li> </ul>	 Mots fléchés [en ligne] Crossword puzzle [online]	
2	<b>Les nombres / Numbers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Compter / <i>Counting</i></li> </ul>	 Ecrire des chiffres en lettres Write numbers in letters	 Retrouver les numéros de téléphone [en ligne] Find the phone numbers [online]
3	<b>Le calendrier / The calendar</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Se situer dans un calendrier / <i>Situating oneself in time (the calendar)</i></li> </ul>	 Ecrire des dates [en ligne] Write dates [online]	
4	<b>L'identité / Identity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Se présenter / <i>Introducing oneself</i></li> </ul>	 Se présenter oralement [en ligne] Introduce yourself orally [online]	

5	<p><b>La famille / Family</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Présenter un membre de sa famille / <i>Introducing someone in your family</i></li> </ul>	<p>Exercice sur les adjectifs possessifs [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Exercise on possessive adjectives [online]</i></p>	 <p>Présenter un membre de sa famille [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Introduce a member of your family [online]</i></p>
6	<p><b>La ville / The city</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Se situer en ville / <i>Situating oneself in the city</i></li> </ul>	<p>Retrouver les lieux de la ville [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Spot places in the city [online]</i></p>	 <p>Décrire son trajet pour l'université [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Describe your commute to university [online]</i></p>
7	<p><b>L'itinéraire / The itinerary</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Se déplacer / <i>Getting around</i></li> </ul>	<p>Conjuguer les verbes de déplacement [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Conjugate motion verbs [online]</i></p>	
8	<p><b>La météo / The weather</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Décrire la météo / <i>Talking about the weather</i></li> </ul>	<p>Retrouver les phénomènes météorologiques [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Find the correct weather phenomena [online]</i></p> <p><b>Evaluation de seconde chance / Makeup test</b></p>	
9	<p><b>La nourriture / Food</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parler de sa nourriture / <i>Talking about food</i></li> </ul>	<p>Exercices sur le pluriel [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Exercises on the plural form [online]</i></p>	 <p>Décrire la météo de la semaine [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Describe this week's weather [online]</i></p>

10	<p><b>Les loisirs / Leisure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parler de ses loisirs / <i>Talking about leisure activities</i></li> </ul>	<p>Conjuguer les verbes faire, aimer et jouer [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Conjugate the verbs faire (to do/make), aimer (to like/love), jouer (to play) [online]</i></p>	 Retrouver des activités [en ligne]  <i>Find leisure activities [online]</i>	
11	<p><b>Les messages écrits / Written messages</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ecrire une carte postale / <i>Writing a postcard</i></li> </ul>	<p>Corriger les fautes d'une carte postale [en ligne]</p> <p><i>Correct mistakes on a postcard [online]</i></p>	 Ecrire un courriel à un membre de votre famille pour lui expliquer vos activités quotidiennes en France [en ligne]  <i>Write an email to a family member about your daily activities in France [online]</i>	
12	<b>Examen de fin de semestre / final exam</b>			
				
Writing	Speaking	Speaking Interaction	Listening Comprehension	Reading comprehension

\*All information is subject to change

**Resources :**

**Bibliography :**

*Edito A1*, Didier, 2022.

*Grammaire progressive du français débutant*, CLE International, 2005

**Webography :**

[Flemotion: apprendre le français](#)

[Français facile](#)

[La prof Elisabeth](#)

[Tout en français](#)

*Stub to be returned to your instructor with your signature:*

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I, **(Printed Name)** \_\_\_\_\_ have read all the rules presented in the syllabus for French **A1.1**. I will be responsible for following them.

**Date:**

**Place:**

**Student's signature:**