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**Course Outline**  
**FR PD2020-A Mastering French Pronunciation**  
**May 6 – June 14, 2024**

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**Online Live Meetings:** Thursdays from 12:05 – 12:50 pm

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This professional development course is intended for employees of the PEI Public Service, Health PEI employees, and any other professional in Prince Edward Island who wish to continue their language learning journey through professional development. It is designed for **participants who are at an intermediate level** of French (**Intermediate 1 or higher**) as the course **will be given in French**.

In this course, we will look at the main difficulties in pronouncing French, learning how (oral and nasal) vowels are produced in order to pronounce them correctly. We will then talk about the rhythm of the spoken sentence, understanding syllables and rhythmic groups which will enable us to understand accentuation, *liaison*, *élision* and connecting words so that we can speak with the fluidity of a native speaker!

This 6-week course is delivered through 1 weekly synchronous session of 45 minutes, as well as one weekly assignment (listening and/or speaking). Synchronous sessions will take place via Zoom and a link will be provided.

The course will be run in a manner that supports a non-threatening, encouraging learning environment for all participants.

Asynchronous content focused on listening and speaking, accompanied by a weekly linguistic capsule will consist of one assignment to be completed on the participant's own time and submitted via the learning platform.

## **REQUIRED MATERIALS**

- Computer, such as a desktop and monitor or laptop computer would be best.
- A reliable internet connection.
- Internet browser.
- A microphone and speakers (or a headset with a microphone).
- A web camera.
- A keyboard with accents (French or Canadian French keyboard, or a way to type French accents)
- A quiet place.

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### GRADING

Active participation – Virtual Classes	50%
Weekly Assignments	50%

### NOTE:

Participants will receive either a P (Pass) or INC (Incomplete) at the end of the 6-week term. Upon successful completion, the participants will each receive an **official letter of completion** from the UPEI – OCEPD.