

Course Outline

FR PD-2020/3010 Intermediate II/Advanced Oral and Written Communication September 12 – December 5, 2022

Facilitator: Nicolas Brugali

Online Live Meetings: Mondays 6:30 – 7:30

Online Office Hours: A link to access online meetings will be made available.

DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE

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 advance their French language competency through professional development. It is designed for **participants who have a high level of French language fluency**, or for those who have successfully completed the *Intermediate French Language III* course.

This 12-week course is delivered through 1 weekly synchronous session via Zoom, as well as 1 asynchronous class posted for each week. In addition, virtual conversation classes will round out the learning experience, offering a range of available session times each week. Synchronous sessions will take place via Zoom and a link will be provided, with the focus being on oral communication. The course will be run in a manner that supports a non-threatening, encouraging learning environment for all participants. Asynchronous content focused on reading and writing will consist of one assignment, or multiple shorter assignments to be completed on the participant's own time and submitted to the facilitator. Assignments are more extensive and detailed at the Advanced level.

Appointments: it is possible to make an appointment outside of consultation hours. To do so, please contact the course facilitator using your work email address. You will then be given a choice of days and times for an extra meeting to take place.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

To increase your knowledge and enjoyment of the French language, advancing your reading, writing and oral communication skills towards applying those French-language skills in a variety of professional communication contexts. Participants should enroll with the objective of using French regularly in their lives and work.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

At the end of this course, the participant will be able to:

- Support advanced conversations in French
- Employ a rich French language vocabulary
- Develop a vocabulary relevant to their workplace
- Speak and write in French with fluency and style
- Write using complex sentence forms
- Write on topics relevant to their workplace

CONTENT

This course will be composed of various oral and written communication activities taken from the Centre d'exellence en Français curriculum, as well as other engaging online sources. Content will be selected with the goal of balancing fun and engagement with the learning objectives of the course. As this is a 12-week course, activities and learning objectives will be completed within the class time as much as possible, with little-to-no homework in addition to the asynchronous and synchronous lessons.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

All readings and exercises will be provided by the instructor.

ESSENTIAL MATERIAL

- 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
- A quiet place

GRADING

Active participation	40%
Oral Productions	30%
Written Assignments	30%

NOTE:

Participants will receive either a P (Pass) or INC (Incomplete) at the end of the 12-week term. Upon successful completion, the participants will each receive an **official letter of completion and Certificate** from the UPEI Office of Continuing Education and Professional Development for passing the Advanced level course.