

## THE FRENCH INSTITUTE OF THE NORTH SHORE TREATS YOU TO A TASTE OF FRANCE

Every quarter, the French Institute of the North Shore offers its students a tasting of various culinary specialties from France.

Throughout the month of January, the French celebrate *La Fête des Rois* by eating *les galettes des rois*. This delicious cake is made with several layers of puff pastry with an almond paste in the center to give it a royal texture. The surprise comes in finding *le fève* - a small trinket hidden in the cake. The person with the slice containing this small treasure is named king or queen for the day and is adorned with a crown to represent his/her victory. Will you be crowned the royal student this January?.



### PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT!

AUDIO PROGRAMS FOR LEVELS ONE, TWO AND THREE

The French Institute's interactive audio programs reinforce each weekly lesson with 30 minutes of practice drills and instruction. These captivating audio lessons are a wonderful way to practice outside of class, and they're great to listen to while riding in your car, exercising or sitting at home. Recorded by native speakers, a 14-disk CD series is available for levels one, two and three. \$195 per level.

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS: HIVER/WINTER 2019

### LEVEL 1

*Consists of three consecutive quarters*  
This beginning course introduces students to the essentials of the French language and culture. Learn practical vocabulary, key verbs in present, immediate future and past tense; how to form questions; and communicate effectively in typical situations encountered by travelers.

### LEVEL 2

*Consists of three consecutive quarters*  
Learn more extensive vocabulary, how to use and distinguish between the past and imperfect tenses. Study the necessary grammar to easily use more complex sentence structures and communicate in a variety of challenging everyday situations. Interesting cultural topics will also be discussed.

### LEVEL 3

*Consists of three consecutive quarters*  
This level introduces the future, conditional and subjunctive tenses. Increased vocabulary, including more idioms, coupled with advanced grammar structure enables students to communicate with greater ease upon completion of this course. Interesting cultural topics will also be discussed.

### PRÊT-À-PARLER

#### LEVELS 1, 2 & 3

This course is complementary to the group level classes. Students improve their verbal expression and practice using vocabulary, all while reinforcing key points from the group level classes and keeping up to date on happenings in France.

### LEVEL 4 GRAMMAR

*Consists of 6 consecutive quarters*  
This is a 2 year grammar course, ideal for students looking for the next progressive step to perfect their language skills. While Level 4 is different from previous levels, it builds on concepts learned in Levels 1, 2 and 3. Students acquire complex grammar structures and improve both oral and written expression. **A text is required.**

### LEVEL 4 CONVERSATION

*Taken after completion of, or during, current enrollment in Level 4 Grammar*  
Using current events and cultural topics, students will put the grammar concepts learned in Level 4 into practice. This is an intermediate conversation course, designed to advance students' listening comprehension, and expand students' vocabulary and awareness of contemporary French and Francophone culture.

### A TABLE!

#### Levels 4/5

Learn the culinary traditions of France in this interactive gastronomy course. Each week, students explore one course of a 10-course gourmet meal. Tastings, cooking demonstrations, and recipe sharing, broaden students' knowledge of culinary culture. Specialized vocabulary, grammar review, and discussions *en français* improve students communication abilities. \$25 materials fee included in the course fee.

### CONVERSATION

#### LEVELS 5 & 6

Using newspaper and magazine articles, and televised news as a starting point for discussion about contemporary French culture, this advanced conversation class expands students' vocabulary and repertoire of idiomatic expressions,

### ADVANCED GRAMMAR

#### LEVELS 5/6

This is an advanced grammar course for students who already have a strong command of the French language and want to fine-tune their speech. This class reviews common mistakes made by English speakers that distinguish them as non-native French speakers. Please note this is not a conversation class, however oral exercises will be used throughout the quarter. **A text is required.**

### LITERATURE

#### LEVELS 5/6

Introducing one of the most famous characters in literature, Jean Valjean—the noble peasant imprisoned for stealing a loaf of bread—*Les Misérables* ranks among the greatest novels of all time. Author Victor Hugo takes readers deep into the Parisian underworld, immerses them in a battle between good and evil, and carries them to the barricades during the uprising of 1832 with a breathtaking realism that is unsurpassed in modern prose. Within his dramatic story are themes of crime and punishment, desperation, morality, and the universal desire to escape the prisons of our own minds.

# COURSE SCHEDULE: HIVER/ WINTER 2019

January 7th - March 16th, 2019  
No class Monday, February 18th, 2019

## LEVEL 1

**QUARTER 1** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Monday 10:00am - 11:15am 11A

**QUARTER 2** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Monday 1:00pm - 2:15pm 12A  
Tuesday 6:00pm - 7:15pm 12B  
Wednesday 10:00am - 11:15am 12C  
Saturday 8:40am - 9:55am 12D

## LEVEL 2

**QUARTER 2** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Tuesday 9:00am-10:15am 22A  
Tuesday 7:20pm-8:35pm 22B  
Wednesday 1:00pm-2:15pm 22C  
Saturday 8:40am - 9:55am 22D

**PRÊT-À-PARLER** **\$185**  
*Class duration 1 hour*  
Tuesday 10:20am - 11:20am 2PA  
Wednesday 2:20pm - 3:20pm 2PB

## LEVEL 3

**QUARTER 2** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Tuesday 9:00am - 10:15am 32A  
Tuesday 7:20pm - 8:35pm 32B  
Thursday 1:00pm - 2:15pm 32C  
Saturday 11:20am - 12:35pm 32D

**PRÊT-À-PARLER** **\$185**  
*Class duration 1 hour*  
Tuesday 10:20am-11:20am 3PA  
Thursday 2:20pm - 3:20pm 3PB

## LEVEL 4

**GRAMMAR YEAR 1** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Monday 10:20am - 11:35am 41A  
Tuesday 6:00pm - 7:15pm 41B  
Saturday 10:00am - 11:15am 41C

## LEVEL 4 (CONTINUED)

**GRAMMAR YEAR 2** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Thursday 9:00am - 10:15am 42A

**CONVERSATION** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Monday 9:00am - 10:15am 4CA  
Thursday 10:20am - 11:35am 4CB  
Saturday 11:20am - 12:35pm 4CC

## LEVEL 4/5

**A TABLE!** **\$340**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Tuesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm ATA

## LEVEL 5

**CONVERSATION** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Wednesday 1:00pm - 2:15pm 5A  
Saturday 10:00am - 11:15am 5B

## LEVEL 5/6

**ADVANCED GRAMMAR** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Tuesday 2:20pm - 3:35pm AGA  
Thursday 6:00pm - 7:15pm AGB

**LITERATURE** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Wednesday 10:00am - 11:15am LAA  
Thursday 7:20pm - 8:35pm LAB

## LEVEL 6

**CONVERSATION** **\$315**  
*Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes*  
Thursday 7:20pm - 8:35pm 6A



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# TESTIMONIALS

What your neighbors are saying about  
the French Institute of the North Shore:

“The French Institute is a pleasant and low-pressure environment where adults learn and practice French. The environment, teachers, and curriculum are perfectly suited to adult learners”

-Susan Frohling, Winnetka

“After a long break from speaking French, I am delighted to study and speak French again. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity so near my home!”

- Carolyn Moore, Lake Forest

“I cannot say enough positive things about the French Institute... I was terrified to start learning French, and the teachers and staff have been so supportive and encouraging. It has made me feel more confident to speak aloud - something that was so anxiety provoking before. The teaching methods are wonderful, and I love augmenting the experience with the CDs.”

-Eryn Levis, Glenview

“The instruction is lively and engaging. I always feel like I step into France each week. My comprehension has improved tremendously and I have learned so many useful cultural insights. Where else can you go to learn the language and culture of France in the North Shore?”

-Tina Matterna, Glencoe

“An evening of French classes is an enjoyable punctuation to one’s week. It is a wonderful way to stay current and use the language.”

-Ed Vachula, Libertyville

“I continued coming to the French Institute after moving to the city because I love whole atmosphere - the intimate classes, the warm staff and the building that is like stepping into Paris. .”

-Sarah Noreen, Chicago

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name (Write above line) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Class: 1st choice (class code) \_\_\_\_\_ fee \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice (class code) \_\_\_\_\_

Class: 1st choice (class code) \_\_\_\_\_ fee \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice (class code) \_\_\_\_\_

I am a first time student  Yes  No Total \_\_\_\_\_

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## OUR POLICIES

- If requested in writing prior to the first class of the enrolled session, course fee is refundable for withdrawal, minus a \$25 registration fee, or deferred to the next quarter. Deferred course fee is not refundable.
- The French Institute reserves the right to cancel a class due to insufficient enrollment in which case a full refund will be given.
- Missed classes may be made up by attending another class of the same level during the week, room permitting, but requires notification to our office in advance.
- Textbooks and audio programs are not included in the course fee.
- Books and audio program sales are non-refundable.
- The French Institute reserves the right to change the placement of a student to an appropriate level compatible with their ability.
- If unable to attend a private lesson, the student must give 24 hour advance notice to the French Institute to prevent being billed