

# 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.

This fall, let us take you to France with a delicious cider tasting. Cider is an important element of Norman and Breton cuisines. It is used as an aperitif or as an accompaniment to a dish. Its sweet and tangy taste goes well with pork, chicken, rabbit and fish and, of course, it's delicious by itself on a crisp fall day.



## 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: AUTOMNE/FALL 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.

### 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, improves students' listening comprehension and refines verbal expression.

### 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

*La peau de Chagrin* by Honoré de Balzac is a novel that tells the story of a young man, Raphaël de Valentin, who discovers a rough untanned piece of animal skin, which has the magical property of granting wishes. However, the fulfillment of the wisher's desire comes at a cost, after each wish the skin shrinks a little bit but also shortens the life of the wisher. This *comédie humaine* is at once both a work of incredible realism in the descriptions of Parisian life and culture during the 19th century, but also a work of supernatural fantasy, in the wishes that are fulfilled by the untanned skin. Who will triumph in the conflict between desire and longevity?

# COURSE SCHEDULE: AUTOMNE / FALL 2019

September 30th - December 14th, 2019

There will be no classes November 25th - 30th, 2019.

## LEVEL 1

<b>QUARTER 1</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Monday	9:00am - 10:15am	11A
Tuesday	6:00pm - 7:15pm	11B
Thursday	1:00pm - 2:15pm	11C
Saturday	11:20am - 12:35pm	11D

## LEVEL 2

<b>QUARTER 1</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Monday	1:00pm - 2:15pm	21A
Thursday	10:00am - 11:15am	21B
Saturday	8:40am - 9:55am	21C

<b>PRÊT-À-PARLER</b>		<b>\$185</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour</i>		
Monday	2:20pm - 3:20pm	2PA

## LEVEL 3

<b>QUARTER 1</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Tuesday	9:00am - 10:15am	31A
Tuesday	7:20pm - 8:35pm	31B
Saturday	8:40am - 9:55am	31C

<b>PRÊT-À-PARLER</b>		<b>\$185</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour</i>		
Tuesday	10:20am - 11:20am	3PA

## LEVEL 4

<b>GRAMMAR YEAR 1</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Tuesday	9:00am - 10:15am	41A
Tuesday	7:20pm - 8:35pm	41B

<b>GRAMMAR YEAR 2</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Monday	10:20am - 11:35am	42A
Tuesday	6:00pm - 7:15pm	42B
Saturday	10:00am - 11:15am	42C

## LEVEL 4 (CONTINUED)

<b>CONVERSATION</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Monday	9:00am - 10:15am	4CA
Saturday	11:20am - 12:35pm	4CB
Tuesday	1:00pm - 2:15pm	4CC

## LEVEL 5

<b>CONVERSATION</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Wednesday	1:00pm - 2:15pm	5A
Saturday	10:00am - 11:15am	5B

## LEVEL 5/6

<b>ADVANCED GRAMMAR</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Tuesday	2:20pm - 3:35pm	AGA
Thursday	10:00am - 11:15am	AGB
Thursday	6:00pm - 7:15pm	AGC

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

## LEVEL 6

<b>CONVERSATION</b>		<b>\$315</b>
<i>Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes</i>		
Thursday	7:20pm - 8:35pm	6A



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# TESTIMONIALS

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

“Wonderful experience. Instructors are very welcoming and passionate about their approach. Great way to gain more confidence speaking in French in everyday conversations.”  
-Michael Smoler, Winnetka

“I have been studying at the French Institute for several years. I look forward to the interaction I have with fellow students and the teacher. My experiences are always positive, and I am learning a lot. I love my time here — it’s an escape for me.”  
-Sonali Mukherjee, Northfield

“Outstanding classes. The French Institute has made my trips to France more productive and enjoyable. I have learned French faster than I thought possible.”  
-Bill Coe, Winnetka

“I have loved my 3+ years of studying French at the French Institute. It has given me both a cultural and linguistic awareness that I truly value and enjoy!”  
-Diana Wetterman, Lake Forest

“This is a great cultural opportunity located right in the North Shore. My French has improved and I have met many people in the surrounding neighborhoods by signing up for classes.”  
-Tina Mattera, Glencoe

“My experience at the French Institute has been excellent. The quality of instruction is superb. The teaching style, which uses multiple sources of media: slides, cards, and other objects, really helps you learn and remember what you learn.”  
-Christopher Payne, Evanston

## 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