

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.

As summer approaches, the French look forward to sipping a glass of *vin rosé* while enjoying their view from a café. A good *rosé* wine is the perfect way to savor the longer days and warm weather. Contrary to popular belief, *rosé* is not a mix of red and white wine and this practice is actually forbidden in France. *Rosé* wine is fermented differently than red wine in that the skin of the red grapes is left in contact with the nearly colorless grape juice for only a few hours, giving it a light pink color. Traditionally served chilled, *le vin rosé* will be sampled in class this May and we hope you enjoy it as much as the French do!



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, the series is available for levels one, two, and three.

You can purchase your audio lessons as:

- CDs - \$195 per level at the French Institute
- MP3 files - \$65 per quarter at www.storeCDBaby.com

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS: PRINTEMPS/SPRING 2020

FRENCH FOR TRAVELERS

Dreaming of a *coupe* of champagne next to the River Seine? Learn the essentials to make your trip to France more enjoyable. Students learn how to comfortably communicate in every day and travel-related situations.

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
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

In *Chéri*, one of Colette's most famous and acclaimed novels, the author constructs a world of feminine mystique and romance akin to a juicy soap opera. Using humor and mockery, Colette explores the impact of age, wealth, and social status in a relationship. Throughout this love story, the audience dives into the consequences of the liaison between Fred Peloux (Chéri) and his mistress, Léa de Lonval. The love between these two slowly fades leaving Léa bitter and disappointed while Peloux searches for his happy ending.

COURSE SCHEDULE: PRINTEMPS/ SPRING 2020

April 6th, 2020 - June 13th, 2020

There will be no classes Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th

FRENCH FOR TRAVELERS \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Tuesday 2:30pm-3:45pm FTA

Level 1

QUARTER 2 \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Wednesday 10:00am-11:15am 12A

QUARTER 3 \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Monday 9:00am-10:15am 13A

Tuesday 5:55pm-7:10pm 13B

PRÊT-À-PARLER \$185

Class duration 1 hour

Monday 10:30am-11:30am 1PA

Level 2

QUARTER 3 \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Monday 1:00pm-2:15pm 23A

Tuesday 7:25pm - 8:40pm 23C

PRÊT-À-PARLER \$185

Class duration 1 hour

Monday 2:30pm-3:30pm 2PA

Level 3

QUARTER 3 \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Tuesday 9:00am-10:15am 33A

Tuesday 7:25pm-8:40pm 33B

PRÊT-À-PARLER \$185

Class duration 1 hour

Tuesday 10:30am-11:30am 3PA

Level 4

GRAMMAR YEAR 2 \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Monday 10:30am-11:45am 42A

Tuesday 5:55pm-7:10pm 42B

CONVERSATION \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Monday 9:00am-10:15am 4CA

Tuesday 1:00pm-2:15pm 4CB

Thursday 5:55pm - 7:10pm 4CD

Level 5

CONVERSATION \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Wednesday 1:00pm-2:15pm 5A

Level 5/6

LITERATURE \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Wednesday 10:00am-11:15am LAA

Thursday 7:25pm-8:40pm LAB

ADVANCED GRAMMAR \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Tuesday 2:20pm-3:35pm AGA

Thursday 5:55pm-7:10pm AGC

CONVERSATION \$315

Class duration 1 hour 15 minutes

Thursday 7:25pm-8:40pm 5/6A



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TESTIMONIALS

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

“The instructors are extremely patient and encouraging. This allows all students to progress with greater understanding of the language.”

-Bruce M., Highland Park

“I studied French from middle school through college. I love having a class I can attend once a week to reconnect with the French language.”

-Debby, Deerfield

“As a beginner, learning French at the French Institute is a great way to stay on track and meet new friends.”

-Franklin B., Glencoe

“Challenging, but at the same time fun, teachers are very skilled in teaching and passionate about their language.”

-Mary Beth H., Lake Forest

“I am constantly amazed at how much I’ve learned over the past seven years.”

-Sarah N., Chicago

“I look forward to coming to the French Institute because it feels more practical. It’s not a school setting with tests. It’s real life applications and you feel like you are part of the French culture. It helps that the school is intimate and decorated in a French style - as if you’re in France. It motivates me to learn French.”

-Vicky B., Skokie

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, tuition is refundable for withdrawal, minus a \$25 registration fee, or deferred to the next quarter. Deferred tuition 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 if room permits, and requires notification to our office in advance.
- Textbooks and audio programs are not included in the tuition.
- 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 for the lesson.