ADVANCED FRENCH 301 O (ORAL INTENSIVE)
(This class meets Core upper division oral communication intensive requirement)

MWF 4:40-5:40       : 3.0 CR

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Text: *Contrastes, Class Pack (for additional explanations and exercises), the latest edition*, *Cours de Phonétique et de Prononciation*, by Diane Dansereau, *Bescherelle, the latest edition*

Dictionary: French-French dictionary, either Larousse or *Le Micro Robert*.

Course description: This course is a third-year college-level French course designed for students who have already taken two years of French (French 101, 102, 201 and 202) or equivalent courses. If you have any questions regarding your placement in this course, please contact me.

The course emphasizes mastery of advanced oral skills. Class preparation will include obligatory independent work on pronunciation. The textbook is accompanied by CD’s for each student.

Homework: Homework consists of written and phonetic exercises.
THIS COURSE EMPHASIZES AND REQUIRES
STUDENTS’ INDEPENDENT WORK

Grades:

Regular Tests/Quizzes (both grammar and vocabulary): 20%
Oral Presentations/Prepared Speech 15%
Oral translations: 15%
Homework 25%
Participation: 5%
Final Exam 20%

Grade policy: 97-100% A+
98-96% A
90-92% A
87-89% A+
88-86% B
80-82% B-
77-79% C+
78-76% C
70-72% C
67-69% D+
68-66% D
60-62% D-
less than 60 - F

Attendance: Students may miss up to three classes during the semester without an excuse. Do not explain to me why you missed these three classes; I do not want to know. Excused absences include serious illness, family crisis or university sponsored non-social activities. Excused absences must be documented. I will be taking attendance daily and once your absences become frequent they will drastically affect your participation grade. If you miss more than one third (1/3) of classes, you automatically fail the class.

Classroom Etiquette

○ No chewing gum, food, or beverages! You will need to be able to speak clearly and loudly, free of any interference. No pagers and cell phones!
**Outcome assessment:**

Students will be able to read non-simplified original French literary texts, such as short stories, with minimum dictionary use. Understand original messages in French as a listening comprehension. Know all French tenses and grammar structures. Correct their pronunciation and have a clear French accent, which would not interfere with the understanding.

Their level will be tested by the final exam, both oral and written. The grade higher than C- will show that students’ performance met the desired outcome.

Students’ evaluations will represent another way to test how they met the goals.