Extension classes (2 to 4 hours per week, depending on level)

These classes are free for Erasmus students, and other international students enrolled in a Bachelor, Master or Doctorate at UPPA. ESA(P) (Art school) students are also welcome, in accordance with the partnership linking the two establishments.

Those who wish to enrol and are not already students of UPPA or ESA(P) may do so; the following fees will apply. The fee corresponds to one course of 2 or 4 hours according to the student's level. This course is not sufficient to be eligible for health insurance.

External fees 2018-2019

* one semester : 300 €
* two semester : 500 €

If you are an employee of an organisation or business, or a job-seeker, please contact the IEFE reception for a personalised quote as part of on-going training.

The course

Aim

Provide students with the linguistic and cultural knowledge that will help them to adapt to university and French life.

Content

The course is focused on general French knowledge, that is, oral and written communication, as well as French university methods.

Placement Test

Students are separated into groups according to their level, which is determined by a placement test at the beginning of the semester. These levels are in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL). This course is not available for beginners.
Students can sit the test in one of the two following ways:

* Before term starts, during the orientation week in September, or the Friday afternoon before the first week of second semester classes in January;
* After classes have started if you arrive late. You should come to the administration office of the IEFE (office 130 on the ground floor of the UFR des Lettres), in the morning before 11:00am. Madame Subervie, who is in charge of welcoming new students, will give you the written test, which you will do in the office (note: the test will take approximately 1 hour, please allow enough time).

Number of hours

All classes take place late afternoon/evening, from 5:00 or 5:30 pm.

* UE French language and culture, towards A2: 4 hours per week (2 X 2 hours) - 4 ECTS
* UE French language and culture, towards B1: 4 hours per week (2 X 2 hours) - 4 ECTS
* UE French language and culture, towards B2: 2 hours per week - 3 ECTS
* UE University study specific French, towards B2: 2 hours per week - 3 ECTS

Students may only follow both classes simultaneously if places are available.

* UE French language and culture, towards C1/C2: 2 hours per week - 3 ECTS
* UE University methods and writing, towards C1/C2: 2 hours per week - 3 ECTS

Location

Classes take place at the IEFE (Institut d'Etudes Françaises pour les Etudiants Etrangers). The office and classrooms are on the ground floor of the UFR des Lettres. The office is in room 130, and the classrooms 127, 128, 131 and 132. French classes are also organised at the Bayonne campus.
Exams

Each class is assessed partly via in-class and homework tasks (written and oral), and partly via examination. Participation in both aspects is compulsory for any student who wishes to validate this class. Any absence, even justified, will result in a mark of zero.

Details

Teachers will explain the details of examinations at the start of semester, and details will be given to students in a printed handout.

* The pass mark for these classes is 10/20 (or 50%)
* These classes do not allow students to obtain a Certificate of a specific level in French.
* Each class can be taken in either semester 1 or 2, with classes having a different programme each semester, unique to their level.

Enrolment

Students wishing to sit the exam MUST enrol to do so with Mme Annie Subervie at the IEFE office (room 130), no later than two weeks before the examination date. Teachers will let students know of the date of the final exam, and or enrolment periods. There will also be notices around the IEFE.

Note!

*There is a minimum requirement of attendance in order to be properly assessed for the oral component of this course.*

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