Course and Objectives
Designed for highly motivated students, French 604 is a four-skills language course in which you will develop the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing as you explore the French language and French-speaking cultures. This class is accelerated and covers in one semester the first two beginning French courses (506 and 507) at The University of Texas at Austin. It assumes no previous knowledge of the language.

Course Requirements
Comparable to FR 506 and 507. Completion of FR 604 or FR 507 with a C or better qualifies you to enroll in a second-year French course (FR 612).

Required Materials
• Français interactif 2nd edition, 2011 available at qoop.com. Go to the textbook page of the Français interactif site http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fi/textbook for a direct link to qoop:

Please make sure that you order the 2nd edition of the textbook, all 13 chapters of Français interactif. The cost is $26.85 in black and white. Don't worry that you do not have the textbook on the first day of class, as you will be able to print the first chapter from the website for the first week of classes.

• First Year French website: Français interactif (http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fi/) includes
  • videos (vocabulary, interviews and culture) downloadable mp4 files or podcasts.
  • recorded vocabulary lists and phonetic examples: downloadable mp3 audio files or podcasts.
  • links into Tex’s French Grammar (http://www.laits.utexas.edu/tex): grammar explanations, audio files in mp3 format or podcasts, interactive exercises, a verb conjugation reference, and a verb tutor.

Recommended
• Compact Oxford Hachette French/English Dictionary ISBN 0-19-864535X (at the Coop), which is required for upper division French classes. Word Reference.com is also an excellent online dictionary.

Grading
| Exams (six @ 100 points): | 60% = 600 points |
| Preparation & Participation: | 15% = 150 points |
| Speaking Exams (2 @ 50 points): | 10% = 100 points |
| Final Exam : | 15% = 150 points |
| 100% =1000 points |

Preparation/Participation
Daily preparation and persistent, active participation in class are essential to your success in learning French. Your teacher will make specific assignments for each day.
The preparation/participation grade includes your performance on activities in the classroom and occasional quizzes. Most daily homework and participation grades will be valued at 10 points each. No late homework will be accepted. If you are not in class to get the assignment(s) due the next day, it is your responsibility to contact your instructor or another student in the class to get the assignment.
Students are expected to assist in maintaining a classroom environment that is conducive to learning. In order to assure that all students have the opportunity to gain from time spent in class, unless otherwise approved by the instructor, students are prohibited from engaging in any form of distraction. Inappropriate behavior (cellular phones, eating or drinking, tardiness, making offensive remarks, sleeping, overt inattentiveness, etc.) shall result, minimally, in a request to leave class.

**Computer Lab : MEZ 2.104**

You will be required to do daily homework using the *Français interactif* website. Access to computers for individual study is available in the Liberal Arts ITS media lab in MEZ 2.104. Liberal Arts ITS media lab operating hours:

- M-Th 8 a.m.- 7:45 p.m.,
- F 8 a.m.- 4:45 p.m.,
- Sunday 3 p.m.- 6:45 p.m.

**Attendance**

Regular attendance is absolutely necessary for success in French 604. You are allowed a total of five absences without penalty during the semester. All absences count. In addition to lowered preparation/participation grades, a penalty of 10 pts (or 1% of your final course grade/ up to 10%) will be deducted for each absence after 5 in the semester.

**Exams**

The six exams will contain a variety of listening, reading, and writing activities. Each exam covers two chapters, lasts 50 minutes and is valued at 100 points. There are also two five-minute speaking exams and a final exam. The final exam will take place on Friday, May 13 9 a.m. – noon. Note carefully the dates of these exams, as there are no make-ups.

**Course supervision**

Your instructor, Karen Kelton may be consulted in HRH 2.106A during office hours TTh 11-12 (471-5511, kkelton@mail.utexas.edu). Afternoons she is also usually available in MEZ 2.126.

The Department of French & Italian offers many services to beginning students, including free tutoring in the French Department. Your instructor will announce tutorial center hours during the second week of classes. You will also be invited to films and activities sponsored by the French Department. Your instructor will announce these and other events throughout the semester. Bienvenue! We hope you will enjoy learning French.

The University of Texas at Austin provides upon request appropriate academic accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. For more information, contact the Office of the Dean of Students, Services for Students with Disabilities, 471-6259, http://www.utexas.edu/diversity/ddce/ssd/
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**BEFORE** coming to class each day, **PREPARE** the sections indicated below in the *Français interactif* textbook and website, [http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fl/](http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fl/). Your instructor will assign specific homework to turn in.

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