

Course Description for Foreign Languages - French

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Foreign Languages – Minor French A1 -Paper 1

(UG/PG): UG / Semester 3 /Second Year

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 2

Course description:

Created for beginners, this course is intended to enable basic communication using the four skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. Students learn to read and write French alphabets and words; recognize, construct, understand and use simple sentences. Some objectives of the course include building up basic vocabulary and developing intercultural and communicative skills. Students should be able to introduce and talk about themselves and others and talk about others and themselves e.g. their hobbies and personal details such as where they come from, their likes and dislikes, etc. The course involves a lot of activity based tasks with little help from the first or second language.

Some of the topics covered in this course include an introduction to France and the basics of French, map reading, numbers till 1000, greetings, requests and orders, countries, nationalities, professions, etc.

Course Description for Foreign Languages - French

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Foreign Languages - Minor-French A1 - Paper 2

(UG/PG): UG / Semester 4 /Second Year

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 2

Course Description

This course has been created for beginners and builds up on the concepts taught in French Minor paper 1. It intends to further build up the vocabulary of students and introduce them to new and slightly higher-level concepts in French. The course is designed to help students develop text comprehension of medium difficulty level. Students will be able to communicate in a simple manner and respond to simple and uncomplicated speech. The course relies on direct teaching methodology. The students are motivated to speak and understand the foreign language with the help of visual aids.

Some topics covered under this course include telling time, asking for and giving directions, scheduling and canceling appointments, writing short emails, postcards, letters, short essays, short messages and basic grammar.

Course Description for Foreign Languages - French

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Foreign Languages – Minor – French A1 -Paper 3

(UG/PG): UG / Semester 5 /Third Year

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 2

Course Description

This course builds up on the basics taught to students in French minor paper 1 and 2. It has been designed with the objective of further honing basic communication skills. It focuses on various real life situations (e.g. at the airport, in a supermarket, at the Hotel etc) and application of the learnt language in these situations. The teacher enacts at times in the class or takes help of visual aids for the same. Role plays and games are conducted to evaluate and help the students apply the knowledge acquired. Cultural sensitization is done with the help of various activities such as discussions, songs or reading material etc.

The course covers topics such as weather, seasons, vocabulary related to food and shopping and related grammar topics such as tenses, possessive adjectives, etc.

Course Description for Foreign Languages - French

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Foreign Languages – Minor – French A2 -Paper -4

(UG/PG): UG / Semester 6 /Third Year

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 2

Course Description

This course has been designed with the objective of further developing the skills of the students. The course enables students to comprehend higher level texts and apply the learnt language in various situations in their daily life. A student would be able to understand telephonic conversations such as those in an office. He/she would also be able to comprehend simple media and can understand recorded messages. The course further enables students to read simple text containing complex sentences, simple short stories, letters and short emails (formal and informal). It involves a lot of activity based tasks with little help from the first or second language. The teacher enacts at times in the class or takes help of visual aids for the same. Role plays and games are conducted to evaluate and help the students apply the knowledge acquired.

A variety of topics such as writing basic resume, replying to small advertisements , searching for a house or apartment ,describing one's house/home, etc. would be covered in the course. Grammar topics such as adverbs, gerandif, present participle, superlative degree, etc. will also be dealt with.

Course Description for Foreign Languages - French

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Foreign Languages – Minor – French A2 -Paper -5

(UG/PG): UG / Semester 7 /Fourth Year

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 2

Course Description

This course enables students to understand advanced concepts in the French language and apply the same in real life. Students will be able to talk about their family and their life and surroundings and converse in simple situations like reserving hotel room, buying a train ticket, shopping. The course will further enable them to give and take formal interviews, express their opinion and talk and write about some contemporary issues at very basic level, . It involves a lot of activity based tasks with little help from the first or second language. The teacher enacts at times in the class or takes help of visual aids for the same. Role plays and games are conducted to evaluate and help the students apply the knowledge acquired.

The course covers topics such as personal pronouns (direct, indirect, y, en), interrogative pronouns, demonstrative pronouns, relative pronouns, possessive pronoun and its application, reading, or listening and understanding a simple news, etc.

Course Description for Foreign Languages - French

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Foreign Languages – Minor – French A2 -Paper -6

(UG/PG): UG / Semester 8 /Fourth Year

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 2

Course Description

This course has been created with the objective of teaching students slightly advanced concepts of the language. Students will be able to talk about past events/stories, compare past events and present events, two people or two things. They will also be able to invite someone in an informal way, understand small advertisements, express cause and consequence and accept and refuse invitations. The course involves a lot of activity based tasks with little help from the first or second language. The teacher enacts at times in the class or takes help of visual aids for the same. Role plays and games are conducted to evaluate and help the students apply the knowledge acquired.

The course covers a variety of topics such as proverbs, sayings, idioms (basic level), use of different connectors (cause /acceptance / opposition), suggestions, hypothesis and related grammar.