COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course is designed to introduce you to French language and Francophone cultures. It is a four-skills course that entails practicing both comprehension (reading and listening) and production (writing and speaking) of the language. You will acquire the basic skills necessary to use French in both oral and written communication. By the end of the term, you will be able to:

- count in French
- identify and describe yourself and others and discuss where people are from
- identify family members and their relationships
- ask about people’s ages and physical characteristics
- talk about leisure activities
- inquire about and discuss lodging options
- use the telephone in French
- ask for, give, and receive street directions
- talk about future plans
- talk about studies and schedules
- express personal reactions
- talk about food and know what to say in a restaurant
- talk about what happened in the past
- describe the weather
- talk about your favorite pastimes in the present and in the past
- extend, accept and decline invitations

You will also become acquainted with the various cultures, nationalities, ethnic and social groups that make up the French-speaking world.

During this term you will make extensive use of a variety of sources: your text, workbook and audio CD; supplementary material provided by me in class; and the tapes, videos, CD-ROM’s and other materials that are in the language lab (Walker 114). Please also consult the Mais oui! web site: www.hmco.com/college/.
In general we will complete the exercises in the 3rd section of the notebook, the Video Manual, together in class.

**I will collect workbook exercises no later than the class before the quiz day and the lab exercises on the quiz day itself.** If you prefer not to tear pages out of your notebook, please make a photocopy to hand in. Workbook and lab pages should be stapled in individual sections and labeled with your name.

Grading for workbook/lab work and other short homework:
- check + = completed with few errors
- check = multiple errors
- check - = incomplete, many errors, not turned in on due day, illegible, etc.

**Language Lab Requirement**

To give you listening practice outside of class and to develop your speaking skills and cultural understanding, you are expected to work in the language lab (114 Walker) for at least 1 hour per week. While there you may complete a variety of listening activities, including listening to the tape of the lab exercises for the chapter or watching the video that accompanies your text. We also have computerized study modules available, as well as French films and access to MTU Cable, where you may watch French news broadcasts according to the SCOLA schedule posted. Remember to **record your lab time and activity on the log sheets and turn them in at the lab** so that you will be credited for the time you spend there. Your name, my name and the course and section number (HU 2271, section 1) should appear on all lab log sheets. Attendance at the Café français (first and third Tuesdays of the month in the Wadsworth Campus Café) may also count towards lab time as long as you turn in a log sheet.

**QUIZ DATES (tentative)**
- Friday 9/17: Preliminary Chapter & Chapter 1
- Monday 10/18: Chapters 2 & 3
- Friday 11/5: Chapter 4
- Friday 12/14: Chapters 5 & 6

**GRADE COMPONENTS /SCALE:**
- Attendance & Participation: 20%
- Unit Quizzes: 40%
- Oral exams (2): 10%
- Workbook & Lab Exercises: 20%
- Lab Attendance: 10%

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