

# DESCRIPTION OF INTENSIVE TRAINING IN FRENCH

## Aims

To discover the French language, deepen your knowledge, improve your French

## Target Audience

Anybody who is not French-speaking and who wishes to improve his/her communication skills in French.

## Methodological Approach and Teaching Method and Tools

- Teaching is focused on communicating, interacting and apprehending cross-cultural differences.
- The learning aims, process and contents are based on the CECL (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages)
- Working on all the language skills (speaking, listening, writing and reading)
- authentic documents (reports, programs and shows, interviews, press articles, thematic files...), documents created by teachers, teaching sheets from textbooks and websites of FLE / FOS (French for specific purposes)
- Equipped training rooms
- In addition to the training, students can access the Language Centre (books, magazines, DVDs, computers, conversation clubs, speaking workshops, individual counselling)

## Organisation of the Training

- A placement test to assess students' start level and to place them in groups.
- The training schedule: 1 semester = 240 hours of courses = 12 weeks of training, that's to say 20h per week (the 1st semester lasts from September to December and the 2nd semester lasts from January to May).
- There are courses for beginner, intermediate and advanced levels, including 2 hours of self-training in the Language Centre with a counselling support and speaking workshops.
- Courses are adjusted to your personal needs and interests (general French and complementary courses units, e.g. culture, theatre, games, training for DELF-DALF exams, etc.), to your professional needs (French course for professionals) or university aims (academic language).
- There are 20 students per group at the most.

## The number of hours needed to achieve some levels

For information, here is a number of hours which one needs to achieve each level of the CECL.

**Attention please! the speed of learning progress varies from one person to another and is depending on many criteria** (motivation, personal work, knowledge of other languages...):

| Language level | Could be achieved in... hours of learning                     | The total of hours of learning |
|----------------|---|--------------------------------|
| A1             | 80 to 100h  | 80 to 100h                     |
| A2             | +100 to 120h  | 180 to 200h                    |
| B1             | +150 to 180h  | 350 to 400h                    |
| B2             | +200 to 250h  | 600 to 650h                    |
| C1             | +250 to 300h  | 850 to 900h                    |
| C2             | It needs a language upgrading with a variable number of hours |                                |

Source : France Education International (FEI)

## Tests and Assessments

- Continuous assessment of students' knowledge
- Self-assessment of your progress
- Training completion certificate
- DELF (Diplôme d'études en Langue Française/ French Language Studies Diploma) and DALF (Diplôme Approfondi en Langue Française / Advanced Diploma in French Language) exams; registration required
- TCF DAP test set up by the University of Lorraine; registration required