

Alliance Française d'Albuquerque French Courses ~ Summer 2025

Spring classes start on the dates listed below but may be postponed 1-2 weeks until minimum enrollment is reached. Students will be contacted by phone or by email 2 days before the scheduled starting date with a confirmation. **If you do not receive a confirmation**, we may not have received your registration, or the class may have been postponed. Please contact info@afaq.com, Carolyn Simmons at 505-280-9031, or Karin Frings at 505-821-4169 to verify a class confirmation or postponement. No classes July 4.

More information about textbooks can be found on our Textbooks page, accessed from website Class Offerings or Registration page.

Beginning

Bonjour le français! Learn the essentials for everyday communication and conversations. Texts: Beg. I. - Inspire 1 (A1) Livre de l'élève (\$35) et Cahier d'activités (\$25). Beg. II+: *Contacts*, 7th ed. (\$15). Please see Textbooks page for info.

Introduction to French: Beginners I (Inspire I) ~ In person or On Zoom

June 19

The ideal course for those who have *never* studied French. Become familiar with the French alphabet, pronunciation and some foundations of French grammar while learning basic greetings and exchanges. The class will meet in person or on Zoom depending on student preferences.

With Maria Ross

Thursdays

11:00am-12:30pm*

10 weeks

\$225

**Please let us know if you can only do an evening class.*

July Refresher - Beginners II + (Contacts, 7-10) ~ On Zoom

July 8-29

Put into practice the French you learned in Beginners II or in a past course with all new activities to improve your comprehension and speaking skills and to prepare you for an Intermediate course this fall! Grammar: interrogatives, stress pronouns, indefinite & def. articles, avoir, il y a, adjectives, aller, futur proche, chez, possessives, counting from 100. Conversation: Asking questions, describing people and objects, leisure activities, asking for directions.

With Penelope Lespinnasse

Tuesdays 7:00-8:30pm

4 weeks

\$90

August Refresher - Beginners II + (Contacts, 7-10) ~ On Zoom

Aug. 5-26

Put into practice the French you learned in Beginners II or in a past course with all new activities to improve your comprehension and speaking skills and to prepare you for an Intermediate course this fall! (See July Refresher- Beginners II for course content).

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4 weeks

\$90

Beg. I & II: (July) Starting Strong: Basics of French Pronunciation ~ On Zoom

July 7, 14, 21 & 28

Develop your pronunciation skills from the start with this essential mini-course. By focusing on correct sounds and patterns, this class helps you avoid common mistakes and builds a strong foundation for speaking French.

With Nandi Egber

Mondays 1:00-2:00pm

4 weeks

\$60

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Aug. 4, 11, 18 & 25

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4 weeks

\$60

Beginning French for Travelers ~ On Zoom

July 6-Aug. 17

Learn some practical French quickly to make your trip more enjoyable! Text: DK Eyewitness French Phrasebook & CD (\$10).

With Penelope Lespinnasse

Sundays 7:00-8:30pm

7 weeks

\$157.50

Intermediates

Continue to build a solid foundation in French! Textbook: *Contacts* 7th ed. (\$15).

Intermediates I+ Summer Refresher (Contacts, 10-14) ~ On Zoom

Aug. 6-27

You have studied the present tense and may have dabbled in passé composé. Now build on what you have learned! In this course, you will work on developing your skills with some very practical French, talking about family, weather, shopping, clothing, making plans and more. Grammar: -ir & -re verbs, comparative & superlative adjectives, expressions with faire & avoir, passé composé.

With Nandi Egber

Wednesdays 2:00-3:30pm

4 weeks

\$90

Intermediates I-III: Ateliers de cuisine à la carte! ~ On Zoom

July 10, 24, Aug. 7 and/or 21

Cuisinez avec Nandi de chez vous! Before each class, you'll receive an ingredient list and recipes for classic French dishes, salads and desserts. Join in to cook with Nandi -or just observe -as she prepares the recipes live on Zoom, en français, bien sûr! A delicious way to expand your vocabulary and discover French culinary traditions and techniques. Choose one week or more, à la carte.

With Nandi Egber

Thursdays 11:00am-12:30pm

\$22.50 per week

Int. I-III July Fine-Tuning your French: Intermediate Pronunciation Techniques ~ On Zoom

July 9, 16, 23, 30

Enhance your French pronunciation skills with targeted practice at the intermediate level. This class helps you master sound accuracy and patterns for clearer, more confident speech.

With Nandi Egber

Wednesdays 11:00am-12:00pm

4 weeks

\$60

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With Nandi Egber Wednesdays 11:00am-12:00pm 4 weeks \$60

Intermediates II+ Summer Refresher (Contacts, 15-18) ~ On Zoom

July 8-29

Review passé composé, all sorts of verbs, and useful vocabulary through lively conversation activities, grammar exercises and selected, short, fun readings that will build your skills in speaking and understanding French.

Grammar: *passé composé*, *depuis*, recent past, partitive, irreg. verbs. Conversation: *événements passés*, *vive les vacances*, *au menu*.

With Penelope Lespinasse Tuesdays 5:00-6:30pm 4 weeks \$90

Intermediates II-III: Conversation Intermédiaire ~ On Zoom

June 30-Aug. 25

Start the summer *en français*! Through relaxed discussions of French culture and everyday topics, this course offers an enjoyable way to refresh your skills and build your fluency.

With Maria Ross Mondays 10:00-11:30am 9 weeks \$202.50

Intermediates II-III: Echanges en français ~ On Zoom

Aug. 5-26

With a new topic each week, this class will allow you to share your ideas, expand your French, and enjoy lively *échanges en français*!

With Penelope Lespinasse Tuesdays 5:00-6:30pm 4 weeks \$90

Advanced

Focus on your speaking skills while advancing in your study of French to more sophisticated grammar and vocabulary.

Advanced I + Review & Progress (Contacts, 22-25) ~ On Zoom

July 7-28

Strengthen your speaking and comprehension skills with all new activities and a review of essential grammar—*passé composé* vs *imparfait*, *y* and *en*, *qui* and *que*—to prepare for a more advanced course this fall.

With Penelope Lespinasse Mondays 5:00-6:30pm 4 weeks \$90

NEW! Advanced I-III Ateliers de Culture et Traditions régionales, à la carte ~ On Zoom Aug. 5, 12, 19 and/or 26

Explore the rich cultural tapestry of four distinct regions of France: le Sud-Ouest, le Sud-Est, le Nord-Ouest et le Nord-Est. Learn about and discuss landmarks, history, art, local customs and modern influences, tout en français! Choose 1 week or more, à la carte.

With Nandi Egber Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm \$22.50 per week

Advanced I-III Atelier de Phonétique: Sound French! ~ On Zoom

June 27- Aug. 29

Focus on key elements of French pronunciation to improve your accent as well as your comprehension of spoken French.

With Maria Ross Fridays 1:30-2:30pm 9 weeks \$135

Advanced III + (Contacts, 30-32) ~ On Zoom

July 10-July 31

Review what you have learned and improve your French through continued grammar studies (conditionnel, phrases avec 'si', subjonctif), plus enjoyable readings and engaging conversations.

With Penelope Lespinasse Thursdays 6:15-7:15pm 4 weeks \$60

Advanced III + (Contacts, 33) ~ In person

June 26-Aug. 28

Wrap up your study of basic French grammar with the final lesson of Contacts, then review grammar topics chosen by the class. Grammaire: tous les pronoms (me, te, nous, vous, lui, leur, y & en). Conversation: sujets divers.

With Maria Ross Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm 10 weeks \$225

Advanced III/III+: Parlez français avec Patricia! ~ On Zoom

July 18-Aug. 22

Finissez votre semaine avec un peu de français! Participez à des dialogues vivants et échangez de manière authentique pour améliorer votre fluidité en français.

With Patricia Dardant Fridays 2:00-3:00pm 6 weeks \$90

Advanced III+ : Lecture, conversation et grammaire ~ On Zoom

June 25-Aug. 27

Révision de grammaire avec *Discovering French Rouge*, et lecture de contes. Conversations dynamiques sur des sujets variés !

With Maria Ross Wednesdays 5:15-6:45pm 10 weeks \$225

Adv. III+: Everyday Situational French ~ In person

June 20-Aug. 29

Looking for a class focused on using and improving your French in daily life? This hands-on class is the perfect fit! Focusing on real-life situations, you will have the opportunity to practice using French for everyday situations and conversations. No class July 4.

With Maria Ross Fridays 10:00-11:30am 10 weeks \$225

Advanced III+: Un peu de tout ~ On Zoom

July 1-22

Un peu de tout – Révision de grammaire, phonétique, compréhension orale, lectures courtes et beaucoup de discussion.

With Carolyn Simmons Tuesdays 11:00am-12:30pm 4 weeks \$90
OR Tuesdays 1:00pm-2:30pm 4 weeks \$90

Advanced Seminars

Vous parlez bien mais vous désirez affiner votre niveau, enrichir votre vocabulaire et approfondir vos connaissances.

New! Advanced III+/IV Atelier: L'orthographe et son évolution ~ On Zoom

July 21-Aug. 18

Un nouveau cours pour vous aider à comprendre l'orthographe des mots, et quelle a été son évolution jusqu'à la réforme de 1990.

With Patricia Dardant

Mondays 2:00-3:00pm

5 weeks

\$75

New! Advanced III+/IV Atelier: le Paris des artistes ~ On Zoom

July 17-Aug. 21

Découvrez Paris à travers les peintres, les chanteurs ou chansonniers et les écrivains qui en ont fait leur muse.

With Patricia Dardant

Thursdays 10:00-11:00am

6 weeks

\$90

Advanced III+/IV: Conversation avancée avec Maria! ~ On Zoom

June 23-Aug. 25

Vous parlez déjà assez bien le français, mais vous manquez d'occasions pour le pratiquer et l'approfondir? Venez parler de thèmes divers tels que le voyage, le travail, la culture, les pays francophones et bien d'autres encore! De plus, vous êtes libres de venir avec des idées de sujets dont vous aimeriez parler.

With Maria Ross

Mondays 2:30-4:00pm

10 weeks

\$225

Advanced III+/IV: Cercle de lecture ~ On Zoom

June 25-July 30

Discutez d'un polar contemporain cet été! Dates et texte: bientôt disponibles. No class July 2.

With Patricia Dardant

Wednesdays 2:00-3:00pm

5 weeks

\$75

OR

Wednesdays 3:30-4:30pm

5 weeks

\$75

New! Advanced IV: Atelier grammaire (B2/C1) ~ On Zoom

July 18-Aug. 22

Pour nos étudiants les plus avancés: grammaire à la carte, selon les envies du groupe - subjonctif, prépositions après certains verbes, et plus encore!

With Patricia Dardant

Fridays 10:00-11:00am

6 weeks

\$90

Advanced IV Conversation C1: Potpourri matinal ~ On Zoom

July 15-Aug. 19

Pour nos étudiants les plus avancés, venez parler d'un potpourri de sujets intéressants.

With Patricia Dardant

Tuesdays 10:00-11:00am

6 weeks

\$90