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I. Course Name: Conversational French II
   Course Prefix and Number: FRN106
   Credit Hours and Contact Hours: 1 credit hour – 2 contact hours
   Catalog Description:
   FRN106 is designed to develop French language conversational ability by providing
   students with additional opportunities to practice speaking and listening skills. It complements
   the parent modern language course (i.e., FRN102) by reinforcing the grammar, vocabulary, and
   cultural points presented in that course. Emphasis will be placed on oral practice. Corequisite: A
   student should be enrolled in FRN102 in the same semester that s/he is enrolled in this
   conversation course.

II. Course Outcomes and Objectives

   Learning Outcomes:
   The objective of this course is to provide students with the opportunity to develop an
   increased degree of oral proficiency in French over and above what enrollment in the parent
   course provides. Upon completion of the course, students will be able to function conversationally
   in French as follows:

   1. **Listening:** comprehends short conversations on simple topics in everyday
      situations; understands frequently used tense forms and word order patterns in
      simple sentences; possesses both general and detailed understanding of
      short, discrete expressions, and a general understanding of longer conversations
      and messages within familiar communicative situations

   2. **Speaking:** initiates and sustains conversation using limited vocabulary; uses the
      more common verb tense forms (present, future, and past); sustains coherent
      structures in short and familiar communicative situations; articulates comprehensibly

   Relationship to Academic programs and curriculum:
   This course is considered a humanities / liberal arts elective. It is designed to
   complement the material covered in the parent course by providing students with opportunities to
   use French in an alternative setting and put into additional practice the materials presented in the
   parent course. A student in this course should be concurrently enrolled in FRN102.

   College competencies addressed by the course:

   - writing
   - oral communications
   - reading
   - mathematics
   - problem-solving
   - computer literacy
   - ethics/values
   - citizenship
   - global concerns
   - information resources
   - professional competency
III. Methods of Instruction

Types of Course materials:

The textbook and supplementary materials used in FRN102; a French-English/English-French dictionary

Methods of instruction:

Instruction consists of group discussions, films, guest speakers, web-based activities

Assessment measures:

Activities require listening to and speaking French in relevant contexts.

Methods of Evaluation:

Students are evaluated on the basis of active participation in all class discussions, periodic vocabulary quizzes, and a final speaking task.
IV. General Outline of Topics Covered

A. Past Experiences and Events
   1. Daily Life in the Past
   2. Personal Experience and Experiences of Others
   3. Weekend and Pastimes
   4. Family History and Historical Events

B. Childhood and Youth
   1. Childhood Activities
   2. Adolescence
   3. Relations with Others
   4. Past Memories and Events

C. Diet
   1. Food, Beverages and Nutrition
   2. Shopping for and Preparing Food
   3. Ordering Meals in Restaurants
   4. Table Settings and Etiquette

D. Earth and the Environment
   1. Geography
   2. France and the French-speaking World
   3. Protecting our Natural Resources
   4. Human Ecology

E. Education and Careers
   1. Education and Professional Training
   2. Employment and Occupations
   3. Future Career Plans