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1. **Course Number:** FRN100
Course Title: Conversational French

2. **Description:** This basic conversational French course is designed to introduce to the non-native speaker of French the four basic skills necessary to developing a working knowledge of French: a) understanding, b) speaking, c) reading, and d) writing. The emphasis is on speaking and understanding spoken French.

3. **Student Learning Outcomes:**
The course is intended to help the individual, non-native speaker of French to:
 - a. know the sound systems of French as it is used to carry meaning;
 - b. develop a command of these sounds sufficiently well in simple contexts to use them correctly and freely;
 - c. recognize these sounds as they occur in print and then to develop the skill necessary to read simple texts, be able to use these elements of the structure;
 - d. employ appropriate cultural and behavioral responses.

This course provides students with a basis for continued self-study.

Upon successful completion of this course, students are able to do the following in French:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ greet and respond to greetings ▪ introduce and respond to introductions ▪ engage in conversations ▪ express likes and dislikes ▪ make requests ▪ obtain information ▪ understand some ideas and familiar details ▪ begin to provide information 	Perform these functions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ when speaking, in social interaction that is face-to-face ▪ when listening, in social interaction and using audio or video texts ▪ when reading using authentic materials: e.g. menus, photos, posters, schedules, charts, signs, and short narratives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ when speaking, use short sentences, learned words and phrases, simple questions and commands ▪ when listening, understand some ideas and familiar details presented in clear uncomplicated speech ▪ when reading, understand short texts enhanced by visual clues
<p><u>ACCURACY</u> Students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ communicate effectively with some hesitation and errors, which do not hinder communication ▪ demonstrate culturally acceptable behavior for Stage I functions ▪ understand most important information 		

4. **Credits:** 3 credits

5. **Satisfies General Education Requirements:** No.

6. **Prerequisite:** Satisfactory basic skills assessment score or **co-requisite:** ENL108 (Critical Reading & Thinking)

7. **Semester(s) Offered:** Varies

8. **Suggested General Guidelines for Evaluation:** Students earn standard letter grades. Grades are based on student preparation, participation, quizzes, tests and oral projects.

9. **General Topical Outline (Optional):** This course includes some combination of the following topics:
The Self - family, friends, home, leisure activities, shopping, and prices
Beyond Self - geography, directions, weather and seasons, colors, numbers, days, dates, months, time, food and customs, transportation and travel.