Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: FREN-315 Contemporary France

Department: Language

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
FREN-315	Contemporary France	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall, Spring, Summer		FREN201 French Language and Culture III
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Language	Upper Division	French and English

Course Description

The course covers such areas as French political life and institutions, the issue of "French ness", the geo-political position of France as part of the EU and member of the UN security council, the place of France within an increasingly globalized culture and economy. The course also covers French media and intellectual discourses.

Instructor

Ms Mary Georgiou

Course Aims and Objectives

To ground the students in the issues facing contemporary France, both in the social and political realms, and to familiarise them with the discourses and institutions which dominate and shape French life and culture

Teaching Methods

Facilities are available for PowerPoint lecture presentations, VCRs, Online Computers, Computer Labs and Language Lab. Teachers may also use a mix of lectures, tutorials, case studies, student presentations, group work, role play, literature review, analysis of research data, and field visits and have visiting specialists give lectures.

Course Teaching Hours

Fall and spring: 3 hours a week over a thirteen week semester. Summer: 6 hours a week over seven weeks.

Evaluation and Grading

Final exam 40% Midterm 30% Continuous 30%

Readings and Resources

Required TextbookContemporary France, David Howarth and Georgios Varouxis, Hodder Arnold 2003

Recommended ReadingCurrent publications, paper and on-line media.