

International Summer School- Manipal University Jaipur [ISSMUJ]-2025

[Hybrid Mode]



Course Overview

Name of Course - Certificate course in French

Name of instructor: Dr. Alka Mathur and Dr. Anand Kumar Soni

Session: May-July 2023

Language of instruction: English and French

Number of contact hours: 36

Credit awarded: 03

Prerequisite: NA

Objective of Course/Project:

This course introduces students to Basic French, focusing on developing fundamental language skills like reading, writing, listening, and speaking. It aims to build the ability to understand and communicate in elementary French in daily life situations. Additionally, it lays the foundation for independent language learning by encouraging the use of various media such as dictionaries and the internet, while also offering insights into French culture and civilization.

Syllabus:

This module covers essential communicative skills in elementary French, starting with self-introduction, basic greetings, expressions of politeness, and classroom interactions. Learners will practice giving personal information, asking questions, making polite requests, and expressing preferences. The course also includes topics such as talking about one's city, profession, family, interests, daily routines, and making appointments. Students will learn to understand and convey simple information, make reservations, write a postcard, express impressions, discuss weather, festivals, and engage in basic telephone conversations using common vocabulary and expressions.

Organization of Course/Project:

Total contact Hours: 36		
1st week:	10 hrs (classes)	2 hrs (self-study/project)

2nd week:	10 hrs (classes)	2 hrs (Mid-term exam/assessment/discussion)
3rd week:	10 hrs (classes)	2 hrs (self-study/project)
4 th week:	6 hrs (Classes)	2hrs (End term exam)

Mode of lectures: Hybrid

Course/Project Plan:

Lecture no.	Topic	Lecture mode	Instructor
L: 1–3	Identifying a language, introducing oneself, basic greetings and politeness	Online Discussion	Dr. Alka Mathur
L: 4–5	Enquiring identity of others, counting, class communication	Online Discussion	Dr. A. K. Soni
L: 6–7	Formal/informal greetings, introducing others, personal info	Videos	Dr. Alka Mathur
L: 8–9	Polite requests, asking price, passion, pointing/asking	Online	Dr. Alka Mathur
L: 10–11	Spoken word recognition, city, questions, simple instructions, understanding	Online	Dr. A. K. Soni
L: 12–13	Accommodation, reserving, thanking and replies	Online	Dr. Alka Mathur
L: 14–15	Itinerary, transport, postcard writing	Online	Dr. Alka Mathur
L: 15–19	Impressions, activities, country of origin, time	Online	Dr. A. K. Soni
L: 20–21	Profession, interests, family, invitations, news, basic info	Online	Dr. A. K. Soni
L: 22–25	Object info, asking in stores, appointments	Online	Dr. Alka Mathur
L: 26–30	Necessity, daily habits, outings, appointments, inviting	Videos	Dr. Alka Mathur

L: 31–34	Questions, festivals, phone calls, recognizing words/names/numbers	Online	Dr. A. K. Soni
L: 35–36	Colours, weather expressions	Online	Dr. Alka Mathur

Brief profile of the instructors:



Dr. Alka Mathur is an Assistant Professor at the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultural studies, School of Arts, Faculty of Management, Commerce and Arts, Manipal University, Jaipur specializing in French language, literature and translation. She has been awarded multiple scholarships by the Government of France. She earned her Ph.D. from Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and DALF C1 from the Ministry of Education, Government of France. She has a strong academic background, having previously served in many prestigious institutions and the Embassy of France as Campus France Manager. Dr. Mathur has presented papers in several national and international conferences. Her research work is well-

recognized with multiple papers published in UGC CARE-listed journals. She has vast experience of teaching, translation and interpretation.



Dr. Anand Kumar Soni is an Assistant Professor at the Department of Language & Literature, School of Liberal Studies, KIIT-Deemed to be University, specializing in French cinema and translation. He has been awarded a Junior *Research Fellowship* by UGC. He earned his Ph.D. from Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and has a strong academic background, having previously served as an Assistant Professor at Amity University Patna for three years. Dr. Soni has actively participated in several national and international workshops and conferences, contributing to the academic discourse in his field. His research work is well-recognized, with multiple papers published in UGC CARE-listed journals. Passionate about language, culture, and cinema, he continues to inspire students through his teaching and

scholarly contributions.