French Year 1  (year coordinator: Dr Paule Salerno-O’Shea)

FRU11511 BESS FRENCH LANGUAGE & CIVILISATION 1 (FRENCH SOCIETY) - MT [5ECTS]
AND
FRU11512 BESS FRENCH LANGUAGE & CIVILISATION 1 (FRENCH ECONOMY) - HT [5ECTS]
AND
FRU11501 BSF FRENCH WRITING SKILLS 1 - MT [5ECTS]
AND
FRU11502 BSF FRENCH WRITING SKILLS 1 - HT [5ECTS]
AND
FRU11011 TEXTS MT [5ECTS] (See description of module on French dept page)
AND
FRU11012 TEXTS HT [5ECTS] (See description of module on French dept page)
MODULE CODE: FRU11501

MODULE NAME: BSF FRENCH WRITING SKILLS 1 - MT [5ECTS]

ECTS : 5 ECTS

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Lecture Times: 2 hr mandatory lectures/seminars per week on Thursdays at 9am and 10am. Starting on Thursday 29th September 2022. Check your timetable for venue. TBC.

MODULE DESCRIPTION (Content)
Grammar programme:
functions;
subject/verb;
adverbial phrases (of time, place and manner);
direct/indirect objects; verb constructions – direct/indirect, transitive/intransitive verbs;
conjugations; present, 3 groups + être et avoir (all tenses), perfect and agreement of past participle, imperfect and pluperfect, future and conditional.
Guided activities to improve written production.
Some themes may be added/withdrawn.

LEARNING OUTCOMES
On successful completion of this module, students will be able to:

• recall, organise and use information relating to aspects of contemporary French society in order to plan and write short structured essays in grammatically correct French;
• read, identify and understand the structure and main points of French textbooks and articles from specialized periodicals and newspapers on the above topics;
• read the same materials to locate and retrieve specific information;
• use authentic sources and course materials to develop their vocabulary and other language competencies;
• edit and review their writing critically and effectively, using appropriate resources.

LEARNING AIMS
The aim of this module is for students to develop their writing skills whilst learning how to write an essay in French and improving their knowledge of French grammar.
WORKLOAD

This 5 credit course will run for one semester (MT), with 5 credits allocated to that semester. The total workload of 125 hours will include reading assigned materials, attending lectures/seminars, completing tutorial tasks, test preparation, etc.

TEXTBOOKS AND REQUIRED RESOURCES

Reading material will be provided by the lecturer.

EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

One Test only (2 hours in class, 3 hours if we have to move online) with a Grammar section (50%) and a “mini-Essay” section (50%) in the last teaching week of semester 1.

Reassessment: in August/September; same type of task as for first assessment.

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