

**WESTERN UNIVERSITY**  
**Département d'études françaises**

**French 2404B • Civilisation française • 2018**  
***Du XVIIIe Siècle à l'Époque Contemporaine***

**Prerequisite:** French 1900E, French 1910, French 1999, or by permission of the Department, based on Placement Test.

**Antirequisite:** The former French 2411E.

Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites. – from Western's *Academic Handbook*

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**DESCRIPTION GÉNÉRALE**

French 2404B est un de deux demi-cours conçus pour donner aux étudiants une meilleure connaissance et compréhension de la France, de son histoire et de sa culture. Ce cours alterne avec 2406B (de la préhistoire jusqu'au dix-septième siècle).

Sujets pour hiver 2018 :

- le dix-huitième siècle – Le siècle des Lumières
- le dix-neuvième siècle – Napoléon et la révolution industrielle
- le vingtième siècle – Les guerres mondiales et la modernité
- le vingt-et-unième siècle et la postmodernité

Les deux cours visent non seulement à informer les étudiants de l'histoire et la culture de la France, mais aussi à faire la lumière sur la personne française, marquée par sa diversité historique et culturelle. Le cours est enseigné en français et se compose d'un cours magistral avec des diapositives numériques et du matériel Internet.

## OBJECTIFS PRINCIPAUX

L'étudiant-e qui réussira ce cours sera en mesure...

- d'avoir une connaissance de base du développement historique, social et culturel du pays à travers les siècles présentés.
- d'être capable d'identifier quelques des personnages, événements et réussites importantes à travers les siècles présentés.
- d'avoir une connaissance de base de la société, de la culture et du gouvernement du jour.
- d'acquérir une meilleure connaissance de ce que c'est que d'être français, y compris les contributions de la France à la civilisation occidentale.

### Matériel:

Il n'y a pas de manuel à acheter pour le cours. Tout le matériel se trouve en ligne sur le site OWL du cours et sur un site web *instruct.uwo.ca* qui comprend la majorité des informations. Ce «manuel Internet» n'a pas de contenu multimédia et les cours magistraux communiquent plus d'information que ce qui se trouve sur les sites du cours.

### Barème d'évaluation:

Rapport et abrégé:	30%
Test partiel:	25%
Présence et participation:	10%
Examen final:	$\frac{35\%}{100\%}$

**A note about grammar and spelling:** *Your report and abstract will be done in French, with 80% of your grade for content and 20% for grammar and spelling. Your Midterm Test and Final Exam will also be written in French, but grammar and spelling percentages do not apply to the Midterm Test or to some sections of the Final Exam.*

### Rapport et abrégé - 30%:

- Each student will prepare a **1,500-word Report (25%)** and an **Abstract (5%)** on a topic of his/her choice. An abstract is a concise summary of the report.
- Report topics and detailed instructions are given the *second* week of classes. Due dates will be assigned the *third* week of classes. There is a **2% per weekday** penalty for late Reports/Abstracts.
- Abstracts will be between 150 and 200 words. Students will read aloud the abstract, which will conclude with 1 fact-based question and answer. Some of these questions will be used in part of the Midterm Test and Final Exam. *Abstracts and questions will be posted on the course web site.*

### **Test partiel - 25%:**

- A two-hour Midterm Test (*Test partiel*) is given in-class on **Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. The test includes questions from student abstracts, and other questions based on course material.

### **Présence et participation - 10%:**

- The success of your learning experience in any course requires that you regularly attend classes. In French 2404B, 10% of your mark is based on class attendance. Also, your participation during class, (asking questions, giving answers, participating in discussion), is encouraged and acknowledged.
- **Attendance for each day will be recorded** and every absence will affect your mark, so it is important to **arrive on time** and **stay until the end of class**.
- Each *unjustified* three-hour class absence will result in a deduction of 1.5% from the attendance mark. If you miss 7 or more classes, your attendance and participation mark will be zero, and you will receive a warning message from me. Please advise me **by email** in cases of unavoidable absence, such as serious illness or family emergencies, and be prepared to provide a good reason or excuse for justification of short-term absences, (1 day of classes). Be prepared to provide documentation to your **Home Faculty Academic Counsellor** for long-term absences, (more than 1 day of classes missed consecutively), or if you have more than 3 nonconsecutive short-term absences.
- **If you miss the Midterm Test**, you must provide medical or other documentation to the Academic Counsellor of your Home Faculty for academic accommodation.

### **Examen final - 35%:**

- There will be a 3-hour Final Exam covering the entire semester, scheduled during the Exam period in April, 2018.

### **Policy on Accommodation for Medical Illness:**

[http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/academic\\_policies/rights\\_responsibilities.html](http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/academic_policies/rights_responsibilities.html)

Students seeking academic accommodation on medical grounds for any missed tests, exams, participation components and/or assignments worth 10% or more of their final grade must apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty and provide documentation. Academic accommodation cannot be granted by the instructor or department. Please note that in all courses offered by the Department of French Studies, this same requirement will also apply to assignments worth less than 10% of the final grade. Final examinations must be written at the scheduled time unless formal alternative arrangements for a Special Examination have been approved (by the instructor, the Department and the Home Faculty Dean's Office) based on valid documented grounds.

A downloadable Student Medical Certificate can be found here:

[http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/academic\\_policies/rights\\_responsibilities.html](http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/academic_policies/rights_responsibilities.html)

### **Support services**

Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to Health and Wellness website <http://www.health.uwo.ca/> for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.

### **Statement on Plagiarism, Cheating and other Scholastic Offences**

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence in the Academic Handbook available on the Academic Calendar website, here: <http://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/2017/pg113.html>

### **Policy on Attendance**

“Any student who, in the opinion of the instructor, is absent too frequently from class or laboratory periods in any course, will be reported to the Dean of the Faculty offering the course (after due warning has been given). On the recommendation of the department concerned, and with the permission of the Dean of that Faculty, the student will be debarred from taking the regular examination in the course. The Dean of the Faculty offering the course will communicate that decision to the Dean of the Faculty of Registration.”

([http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/academic\\_policies/examinations.html](http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/academic_policies/examinations.html))

### **Important Academic Information for Students Taking Courses in the Department of French Studies**

[http://www.uwo.ca/french/undergraduate/counselling/academic\\_information/index.html](http://www.uwo.ca/french/undergraduate/counselling/academic_information/index.html)