

# Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2023-2024

# French Literature II (A001733)

Course size Credits 5.0	(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme) Study time 150 h					
Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024						
A (semester 2)	French	nch Gent		lecture		
	i		ir	independent work		
Lecturers in academic	year 2023-2024					
Roose, Alexander	nder LW07			lecturer-in-charge		
Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024				crdts	offering	
Bachelor of Arts i	n Linguistics and Literature(main	n subject Dutch - French)		5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - English)				5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - German)				5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - Greek)				5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - Italian)				5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - Latin)				5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - Spanish)				5	А	
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - Swedish)				5	А	
Exchange Programme Linguistics and Literature				5	А	
Exchange Programme Medieval Studies and Auxiliary Sciences				5	А	
Linking Course Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French)				5	А	
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French)				5	А	

# Teaching languages

French

# Keywords

French literature, Middle Ages, Renaissance, Baroque

# Position of the course

This advanced course, taught in French, introduces students to the development of French literature from the Middle Ages till the Renaissance and the Baroque era: 11th -17th century.

### Contents

#### Content

 History of literature: origins and development of French literature from the Middle Ages tot the 'Grand Siècle'. a. Middle Ages: Chanson de geste, Courtly love, fabliaux and the waning of the Middle Ages b. Renaissance: Humanism (novels and short stories by Rabelais and Marguerite de Navarre, poetics of Du Bellay and Ronsard, the essays of Montaigne; c. Baroque: features, short stories by Camus, poetry, theatre by Corneille.
Poetry (Middle ages, Renaissance and Baroque): retorics and analysis.

#### Initial competences

To have successfully completed the course French literature I or to have acquired the necessary skills by other means.

# **Final competences**

- 1 To have insight into the literary-historical developments of French literature.
- 2 To have insight into the evolution of the mentalities and the cultural background in France.
- 3 To have insight into the coherence and the evolution of literary trends in Europe.
- 4 To have basic knowledge of the different stadia in the evolution of the French language.

5 To be able to analyse texts in their particular literary-historical contexts.

#### Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

# Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

#### **Teaching methods**

Lecture, Independent work

# Extra information on the teaching methods

Lectures Independent work: reading.

#### Learning materials and price

X, *La Chanson de Roland*, edition de Pierre Jonin, Paris, Folio Classique, 2005; X, *Aucassin et Nicolette*, edition de Philippe Wlater, Paris, Folio Poche, 1999; Louise Labé, *Œuvres Complètes*, Paris, GF–Flammarion, 2004; Pierre Corneille, *Le Cid*, Paris, GF-Flammarion, 2009.

• PowerPoint presentations.

- Syllabus can be downloaded form the electronic platform (Minerva) .
- estimated totalcost : 25€

#### References

Terence Cave, Sarah Kay, Simon Gaunt, *A Short History of French Literature*, Oxford UP, 2003. Xavier Darcos, *Histoire de la Littérature française*, Paris, Hachette Education, 1992. Denis Hollier (dir.), *De la littérature française*, Bordas, 1993. Michel Prigent dir.), *Histoire de la France littéraire*, Paris, PUF, 2006 (trois tomes).

Alain Viala, Le Moyen Age et la Renaissance, Paris, PuF, 2014.

# Course content-related study coaching

Feedback Specific questions can be asked during the lecturer's office hours.

#### Assessment moments

end-of-term assessment

#### Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

#### Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

# Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

#### Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

#### Extra information on the examination methods

Assessment moment: Periodical (100%)

Exam: 4 questions: 1.A period or approach; 2.reading of a studied text; 3. critical analysis of a poem; 4. critical approach of the studied texts.

#### Calculation of the examination mark

Assessment moment: Periodical: written examen (100%)

#### Facilities for Working Students

- Possibility of exemption from attending the lectures and substitute assignment
- the exam can be organised at a different time during the same academic year
- feedback by appointment