

French: Grammar A (A703045)

Course size	<i>(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)</i>		
Credits 4.0	Study time 120 h	Contact hrs	40.0 h
Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024			
A (semester 1)	Dutch, French	Gent	seminar independent work

Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024

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Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024	crdts	offering
Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, English, French)	4	A
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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Italian)	4	A
Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Russian)	4	A
Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Spanish)	4	A
Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Turkish)	4	A
Exchange Programme Applied Language Studies	4	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages, Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages and Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, English, French)	4	A
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Teaching languages

Dutch, French

Keywords

French; Grammar

Position of the course

The unit of study "French: Grammar A" (FISA) aims at:

- providing the student with an overview of the most important French grammatical structures in morphology and syntax (simple clause).
- using and extending the knowledge the students acquired during their secondary education.
- applying grammar to a wider context.

Exchange students may take up this course unit, for which no prior knowledge of Dutch is required.

Contents

The unit of study "French: Grammar A" (FISA) deals with the following topics:

- the units of speech and the functions;
- the syntax of the four fundamental simple clauses;
- the morphology and syntax of the verb, the noun, the adjective, the adverb, the article, the pronoun; the prepositions used with verbs and adjectives.

Initial competences

Mainstream secondary school-leaving level for French.

Final competences

- 1 The student has developed a range of academic strengths such as an enquiring mind and s/he acknowledges the uncertainty, ambiguity and boundaries of knowledge.
- 2 The students know the basic terminology for French grammar, are able to identify the problems regarding basic French grammar, and they can bring solutions to solve these problems.
- 3 The students are able to offer an interpretation of the pragmatical implications of these grammatical structures in a text.
- 4 Having a command of French grammar regarding the morphology and the syntax of the verb, the noun, the adjective, the article, the pronoun, the adverb, the syntax of the simple clause and the prepositions used with verbs and adjectives [B.1.2; assessed]
- 5 Having a command of the French terminology regarding the topics mentioned above [B.1.3; assessed]
- 6 Recognising and interpreting French language structures, with close attention to the simple clause and for contrastive aspects compared to Dutch [B.1.3; assessed]
- 7 Recognising and interpreting French language variation, with close attention for grammatical topics [B.1.3; not assessed]
- 8 Having knowledge of relevant dictionaries, reference works and electronic aids, using them adequately and efficiently [B.6.5; not assessed]
- 9 Thinking and reasoning analytically and creatively and based on this, solving new problems, i.e. known structures in new settings [B.3.2.; assessed]

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods

Guided self-study, seminar

Extra information on the teaching methods

30 h Seminar

10 h Guided self-study: preparation of the theory and exercises.

Because of corona some seminars might be replaced with guided self-study.

Learning materials and price

Books:

- Arrivé M. (2012). *Bescherelle, La conjugaison pour tous*. Paris: Hatier.

- Grevisse M., Goosse A. (1995). *Nouvelle grammaire française*. Bruxelles: De Boeck.

Course material:

Reader with exercises

Learning platform with extra exercises

44 €

References

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- Barthe M., Chovelon B. (2009). *Expression et style*. Grenoble : Presses Universitaires.
- Blampain D., Hanse J. (2005). *Nouveau dictionnaire des difficultés du français moderne*. Louvain-la-Neuve : Duculot (5^e éd.).
- Chovelon B., Morsel M.-H. (2008). *L'expression française écrite et orale*. Grenoble : Presses Universitaires (4^e édition revue et corrigée).
- Descotes-Genon C., Morsel M.-H., Richou C. (2018). *L'exercisier. L'expression française pour le niveau intermédiaire*. Grenoble : Presses Universitaires.
- Desmet P., Klein J.-R., Lamiroy B. (2017). *Vous dites? Répertoire d'erreurs courantes en français chez les néerlandophones*. Louvain : Acco.
- Grevisse M. (2016). *Le bon usage. Grammaire française*. Louvain-la-Neuve : Duculot (15^e éd.).
- Riegel M., Pellat J.-C., Rioul R. (2018). *Grammaire méthodique du français*. Paris: PUF.
- Sleeman P., Verheugd E., Vlugter B. (2012). *Grammaire Plus. Praktische grammatica van het Frans*. Bussum : Coutinho (5^ede herziene druk).

Course content-related study coaching

Test initial competences (start of the term)

Study-progress sessions with the section's person responsible for the student's guidance.

Consultation hour

Extra exercises from the learning platform

Individual coaching (appointment)

Evaluation methods

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Written examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Written examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Skills test

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods

Written exam (80 %)

Written skills test competences secondary school (week 7) (20 %)

Second session

Written exam (100 %)

Calculation of the examination mark

See heading 'explanatory note to the evaluation methods'

Facilities for Working Students

Possibility to be exempted from being present.

Possibility to arrange another date for examination during the examination period.

Appointment during working hours.

Addendum

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