Winter 2020 — A Selection of Courses

FRENCH 270.001  French and Francophone Literature & Culture: *Life in France During the German Occupation*
Kathy Meyer  TTh 8:30-10 am #31254
In this course, we will examine life in France during World War II, the experiences of individuals from various groups living in France and in the French colonies, and the choices they made. After acquiring a detailed understanding of this period, we will make comparisons with recent events in Europe and the U.S. and the lessons we can take from that period of French history to better understand the present.

FRENCH 270.002  French and Francophone Literature & Culture: *L’expression française au Maghreb*
Lauren Wester-Murphy  TTh 10-11:30 am #26077
In this course we will explore excerpts of novels, poems and films from North African writers and directors who have chosen to write or film in French. Along the way we will learn the historical and socio-political context of each work and the reception in both France and North Africa.

FRENCH 272.001  French and Francophone Film, Media, & Culture: *Screening Québec*
Nicholas Holterman  MWF 9-10 am #28796
Branchez-vous! Plug into contemporary Québec through social media, film, & other screen arts to explore how these technologies influence & are shaped by language & culture. We will pay particular attention to the relationships between media & various minoritized communities within Québec and francophone North America.

FRENCH 274.001  French and Francophone Societies & Culture: *Le pouvoir des langues*
Eric Beuerlein  TTh 11:30 am-1 pm #29431
In this course we will address questions of power and discrimination related to the French language, regional languages of France, and languages of the French diaspora. Students will be introduced to the societal constructs of language policy and language identity both diachronically and diatopically and be asked to question how these have shaped modern francophone society.

FRENCH 274.002  French and Francophone Societies & Culture: *Medical French*
Sabine Gabaron  TTh 1-2:30 pm #31255
This course’s objective is to prepare students who will be working in medical related fields to interact with the French-speaking population. Students will develop linguistic and cultural proficiency to enable them to communicate effectively in French, in situations relating to the medical professions. Cultural differences between France and the US, such as Health Care, medical and paramedical professions, medication and treatment, nutrition, and doctor-patient relationships will be addressed.

FRENCH 333.001  French Phonetics
Ryan Hendrickson  TTh 4-5:30 pm #28646
In this course, students will gain a foundation in the phonetics and phonology of French in order to improve and refine their pronunciation and aural comprehension. We will explore the connection between the sounds and orthography of the language, general principles of French pronunciation, and social and dialectal differences found in spoken French.

FRENCH 374.001  Problems in Society & Social Theory: *Unequal Lives*
David Caron  TTh 2:30-4 pm #31258
The course will touch on questions of inequality as it relates to economic disparities, political oppression, gender, sexuality, immigration, health, and popular culture. We will not focus principally on the causes of and solutions to inequality but, rather, on practical ways in which people may carve out a space for themselves within a hostile system that often sees them as less than fully human.