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Alliance Française

Chicago

Summer 2018

Cheer for your
team in French!

mais oui!

French Classes

All ages & levels • REGISTER ONLINE!

Fast track for new learners: Jun. 18–21

8-week session: Jun. 25–Aug. 18

First 4-week session: Jun. 25–Jul. 19

Second 4-week session: Jul. 23–Aug. 16

Open House

Tue. Jun. 19 • Details inside

FREE Trial Classes & Placement

Jun. 18–21 • Details inside

New brochure format

Full class & event listing on our website

French classes

Open House · An Alliance Expo

June 19 · 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Whether you want to learn French, cook an amazing French meal, savor French wines like a *connaisseur*, or if you're simply curious to know who we are and what we can offer you... come to our brand new Open House!

Free Trial Classes June 18, 21, 23

Initiation levels

Mon. Jun. 18

10:00–10:45 a.m.

5:40–6:25 p.m.

Thu. Jun. 21

7:45–8:30 p.m.

Sat. Jun. 23

11:00–11:45 p.m.

Beginners levels

Thu. Jun. 21

10:00–10:45 a.m.

5:40–6:25 p.m.

Sat. Jun. 23

12:00–12:45 p.m.

Intermediate

levels

Thu. Jun. 21

12:10–12:55 p.m.

6:30–7:15 p.m.

Advanced levels

Mon. Jun. 18

6:30–7:15 p.m.

Free Placement June 18–23

Mon.–Thu.

June 18–21

10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Fri.

June 22

10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sat.

June 23

10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Let our teachers find the best class for you by taking a brief placement online, on-site or over the phone.

Fast Track for new learners · Mon. Jun. 18–Thu. Jun. 21, 6:00–9:00 p.m.

This intensive course covers Unit 1 of our Initiation level in just 4 days. You will be introduced to basic grammatical structures, vocabulary and pronunciation. Speak French from the very first class! · 12 teaching hours · \$255 (reusable textbook included!)

Le Bootcamp for advanced beginner & intermediate levels · Saturday, June 23, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Workshops include a grammatical brush-up, pronunciation, vocabulary and oral comprehension and will focus on common challenges facing students to better meet their needs and help them move on to the next level! · 7 teaching hours · \$175

What to expect in the classroom:

- We are certified specialists and native speakers.
- We teach **creatively and efficiently**; no more pointless verb lists to memorize.
- We lead through **best practices**.
- We make learning an **enriching and fun** experience.
- We emphasize oral communication so that you can **interact in French from the beginning**.
- We keep classes **small** to provide maximum guidance.

For 120 years, the Alliance Française de Chicago has offered French classes and programs in a welcoming, social environment while providing the best learning experience.

Select your pace:

Once-a-week: 8-week course: Mon. Jun. 25–Sat. Aug. 18*

Twice-a-week: 4-week course: Mon. Jun. 25–Thu. Jul. 19 (1st 4-week session)*
and/or: Mon. Jul. 23–Thu. Aug. 16 (2nd 4-week session)

(* Wed. classes, for both once and twice a week courses, will start on Wed. June 20 to make up for Wed. July 4 as the Alliance will be closed in observance of Independence Day.

Select the type of class you want:

General French: available at all levels (A1–C2)

Follow a precise textbook. Learn and master fundamentals as you practice all skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing).

Topical Classes: available at the A2 level and up

Follow a specially designed course with a focus on one or two skills that revolve around a specific topic, for instance: literature, current affairs or phonetics.

Private Classes: Meet your specific learning goals with one-on-one instruction.

Workshops: Enjoy a vast array of activities (cooking, wine tasting etc.) with hands-on classes or presentations (in French and English). More at: af-chicago.org/workshops



Select your level:

All levels available (A1–C2)

Go online for more information: af-chicago.org/class-levels Remember: you can always change your class within the first week and do MAKE-UPS if you miss a class.

Early bird discounts: For classes starting June 20, register before noon on June 19. For classes starting June 25 and after, register before noon on June 24. For classes starting July 23 register before noon on July 21.

Register for both 4-week sessions at the same time and receive an extra \$20 discount.

School policies: By registering for a class, students acknowledge that they agree to the school policies as stated on the Alliance Française de Chicago's website. You may have to purchase a textbook for some classes. More at af-chicago.org/school-policy

Next session: September 10–November 3

Events



Saturday June 9 · 6:00 p.m.

Gala 2018 · Versailles en Scène

Biennial fundraiser hosted by the Woman's Board of the Alliance Française at the Civic Opera House. Visit af-chicago.org for pricing.



Thursday June 21 · 6:30 p.m.

Film Retrospective · Crazy Horse

Frederick Wiseman, 2011 · French with English subs
\$7 Members / \$10 Non-Members



Tuesday, June 12 · 6:30 p.m.

Avec l'Auteur · Lucy, go see · by Marianne Maili

Adventures of a small town girl turned supermodel
Conversation with Isabelle David
In English · Admission \$5 · In the Library · Refreshments



Thursday, June 28 · 6:00 p.m.

Trivia Night · French Summer

Fabulous Prizes · New Format!
Facilitated by our intern Tiana
In English · Admission \$5 · In the Library · Refreshments

The Brown Library

Summertime, perfect for catching up on your reading, listening, and watching! Stop in for a fresh selection of contemporary novels along with the many favorite classics. With over 18,000 items, we are the one stop shop for movies, books, magazines and other items for all ages.

Benefit also from our digital online library, Culturethèque — for wherever your travels take you!



Café conversation

Join our café to practice French · All levels welcome
Free for Members · \$5 one-time trial
6:30–7:30 p.m. Jun. 13, 25; Jul. 11, 27; Aug. 8, 22

Café littérature

Plan ahead for fun fall discussions of French books. See website.
Advanced level French · Members only, please · Refreshments

Workshops

In English · Members \$70 / Non-members \$80 · Material fee: \$15
With Madelaine Bullwinkel

Saturday June 23 · 11:15 a.m.
Berry Jams in Desserts



Here's your chance to master small quantity fruit preserving and showcase your work in luscious berry desserts. We will turn blueberry mint jam into a blueberry polenta cake, raspberry jam into a sauce for chestnut *crêpes (flambée)* and blackberry jam into a strawberry, blackberry *galette*.

Saturday July 7 · 11:15 a.m.
Splendid Vegetable Salads / Knife Skills Brushup



Learn to design an *entrée* salad for days when it's too hot to cook. Our combinations of seasonal veggies, dried fruit, nuts, fresh herbs and dried seasonings will provide ideas galore. There's a bonus brushup on knife skills as we prepare: beet slaw with pistachios and raisins; celery salad with dates, almonds and parmigiano; cauliflower "couscous", almonds, cranberries and sumac; turnip salad with yogurt, herbs and poppy seeds.

Saturday July 21 · 11:15 a.m.
Steaks à la française



The same rules apply whether you are searing steak in cast iron skillet indoors or outdoors on the grill. Temperature control and timing give perfect results. We'll work on these skills as we prepare budget steaks the French prefer for their rich beef flavor: hanger, tri-tip and flatiron cuts. Our sides are *sauce béarnaise* and oven fries.

Saturday August 4 · 11:15 a.m.
Gulf Coast Bouillabaisse



You may be surprised how well an iconic soup from Marseille adapts to the *laissez-faire* attitude and spicy seasoning of New Orleans cuisine. Discover the exciting flavors that emerge when we blend classic fish *fumet* (stock), red pepper *rouille*, and toasted *croûtons* with the seafood and jazzy notes from the Big Easy.

Saturday August 18 · 11:15 a.m.
Summertime in Provence



The vivid character of Mediterranean cooking emerges as we construct the classic sauces of Provence: *tapenade*, *anchoïade*, *aïoli* and *pistou*. It is a springboard to our exploration of their uses as seasonings in such popular dishes as grilled fish (*tapenade*), a summer vegetable platter (*aïoli*), composed salads (*anchoïade*) as well as a pasta (*pistou*).

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The Alliance Française de Chicago is a non-profit 501(c)(3) institution

Preschool Programs

Registrations for 2018–2019

Our immersive preschool program will prepare your child for Kindergarten with the added benefit of French Immersion.



Les Poussins : 3 to 4 years old

5 days a week,
Monday through Friday
From 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Les P'tits Loups : 4 to 5 years old

5 days a week,
Monday through Friday
From 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

For more information please contact:
pschaller@af-chicago.org or
(312) 337-1070

Summer Camp 2018 Enroll today!

All levels of French welcome, ages 6–12

June 18–August 3

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 5 days a week



Seven weeks of activities conducted in French. While being exposed to French, children will develop new skills, broaden their horizons and make new friends!

- Field Trips
- Cooking
- Sports
- Games
- French Speaking
- Arts
- Scrapbooking
- And more!

Saturday July 14 · 6:00 p.m.

Bastille Day at the Alliance Française



Music, bal musette and snack *à la française* for sale.
Members and current students \$10 / Non-members \$15
(including beverages)



More at af-chicago.org/summer-camp

French Summer Camp: Join the fun!

June 18–August 3

**Have Fun
Make Friends
Learn French**

All levels of French welcome

Ages 6–12

5 days a week

9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Free Trial Classes

June 18–23

Open House

Tuesday, June 19

Parking discount: \$8 for 12 hours
Two addresses only two blocks away:
671 N. Clark St. and 100 W. Chestnut St.