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Alliance Française

Chicago

Fall 2018

Escape with us

Mais oui!

Pierrot le fou · Jean-Luc Godard, 1965

Nouvelle Vague Revisited film retrospective 2018–2019

Saturday October 20, 1:30 p.m.



French Classes

All ages & levels • REGISTER ONLINE!

Fast track for new learners: Sept. 4–7

8-week session: Sept. 10–Nov. 3

First 4-week session: Sept. 10–Oct. 4

Second 4-week session: Oct. 8–Nov. 1

Open House

Wed. Sept. 5 • Details inside

FREE Trial Classes & Placement

Sept. 4–8 • Details inside

New brochure format

Full class & event listing on our website

French classes [see our full class list at af-chicago.org/classes](https://af-chicago.org/classes)

Open House · An Alliance Expo

Wednesday, September 5 · 6:30–8:30 p.m.

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

Immersion Day

Saturday, September 8 · 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

A student favorite at the Alliance! Spend the Saturday with us and enjoy language workshops throughout the day, as well as cultural activities, games, food, cocktails and unique vendors at *Le Petit-Marché*. All in French!

Breakfast pastries by The French Pastry School and cocktails sponsored by Grey Goose vodka included. Lunch available for purchase.

Free Trial Classes September 4, 6, 8

Initiation levels	Beginners levels	Intermediate levels	Advanced levels
Tue. Sept. 4 10:00–10:45 a.m.	Tue. Sept. 4 10:00–10:45 a.m.	Thu. Sept. 6 12:10–12:55 p.m.	Tue. Sept. 4 6:30–7:15 p.m.
Thu. Sept. 6 5:40–6:25 p.m.	Sat. Sept. 8 5:40–6:25 p.m.	Thu. Sept. 6 6:30–7:15 p.m.	
Sat. Sept. 8 7:45–8:30 p.m.	Sat. Sept. 8 12:00–12:45 p.m.		
Sat. Sept. 8 11:00–11:45 a.m.			

Free Placement Sept. 4–8

Tue.–Thu.	Sept. 4–6	10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Fri.	Sept. 7	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 8	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 · Tue. Sept. 4–Fri. Sept. 7, 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!)

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. Sept. 10–Sat. Nov. 3

Twice-a-week: 4-week course: Mon. Sept. 10–Thu. Oct. 4 (1st 4-week session)
and/or: Mon. Oct. 8–Thu. Nov. 1 (2nd 4-week session)

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 September 10, register before noon on September 8. For classes starting October 8, register before noon on October 6. 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: November 12–January 31

Events



Thu. Sept. 20 · 6:30 p.m.
Art de Vivre :
Henri Samuel, Master of the French Interior
 With Emily Evans Eerdmans
 In English · Free for members / \$10 Non-members



Tue. Sept. 25 · 6:30 p.m.
Film Retrospective
Bande à part / Band of Outsiders
 Jean-Luc Godard, 1964



Wed. Oct. 17 · 6:30 p.m.
Film Retrospective
Entre la mer et l'eau douce / Between Sweet & Salt Water
 Michel Brault, 1967



Sat. Oct. 20 · 1:30 p.m.
Ciné-Samedi
Pierrot Le Fou
 Jean-Luc Godard, 1965



Tue. Oct. 23 · 6:30 p.m.
Art de Vivre :
Living Forever Chic
 With Tish Jett · In English
 Free for members / \$10 Non-members



Thu. October 25 at 6:00 p.m.
Trivia Night
 French Culture: Past and Present.
 Test your knowledge on French history and the influences behind French pop culture, fashion, and trends!
 \$5 admission. Refreshments.



Thu. Nov. 1 · 7:00 p.m.
Paris Noir :
Cabaret Concert
 Celebrating Black Culture in Paris
 In English and French
 \$25 Members / \$30 Non-members



Fri. Nov. 2 · All Day!
Champs Elysées Film Festival
 3 US Premieres!
 In French with English sub.
 \$20 Members / \$25 Non-members / \$9 for one film



Lundi 5 Novembre à 14h
En français
 « L'Ordre du Jour », avec Eric Vuillard,
 Prix Goncourt 2017
 Gratuit pour les membres / \$10 non-membres



Wed. Nov. 7 · 12:00 p.m.
Art de Vivre :
On Interior Design
 With Penny Drue Baird · In English
 Free for members / \$10 Non-members

Workshops



Tue. Oct. 2 · 6:30 p.m.
The French New Wave:
Les Cahiers du Cinéma
 In English · Members \$70 / Non-members \$80 · Material fee: \$15
 An educational supplement to our *Nouvelle Vague, Revisited* film series.

Taste and Toast : Setting the Standard With Scott Komplin

A wine tasting series designed to transform all wine buffs into true oenophiles!
 In English · Members \$55 / Non-members \$65
 Series of 4: \$200 for members only



Wed. Oct. 10 · 7:00 p.m.
 Introduction, how to assess quality
Wed. Dec. 5 · 7:00 p.m.
 Master, Bourgogne rouge
Wed. Feb. 13 · 7:00 p.m.
 Advanced, blind tasting games
Wed. Apr. 17 · 7:00 p.m.
 Master, Bordeaux rouge

Nouvelle Vague, Revisited Film Retrospective 2018 – 19

French with English subtitles, unless indicated otherwise
 Members \$7 / \$10 Non-members



Vintage cars and jazz music, love stories in black and white, reckless youth, smoke and style, so much style... Our new film series is all about the French New Wave with the films you know and love shown on Saturday afternoons, and weeknight screenings dedicated to the New Wave's influence around the world and across generations, in the presence of our guest speakers.

Are you ready to be swept away?
 Here comes *La Nouvelle Vague* again!

The Brown Library

Make the library your one-stop-shop to supplement your studies, and enjoy a quiet space to kick back. Take advantage of the largest private francophone collection in the Midwest, with over 18,000 items available for all levels and ages. Our digital library is also great for French on the go and an Alliance Française de Chicago membership benefit.
Bonne lecture !



Café conversation

Join our café to practice French · All levels welcome
 Free for Members · \$5 one-time trial for non-members
 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Oct. 3, 24; Nov. 7, 21

Café littérature · New Selections

Plan ahead for fun fall discussions of French books. See website.
 Advanced level French · Members only · Refreshments served at 5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Grand frère par Mahir Guven

Avec l'auteur



Jeudi 11 octobre à 18h
Avatars de Zafra : 1ère Girafe de France, Chronique d'une girafomania 1826 – 1845 avec Olivier Lebleu
 En français · Admission \$5 à la médiathèque



Fri. October 19 at 12:30 p.m.
Modern French Pastry with Cheryl Wakerhauser.
 Featured in *Thuries Gastronomie*
 In English · Admission \$5 In the Library

Workshops with Madelaine Bullwinkel

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



Sat. Oct. 6 · 11:15 a.m.
Main Course Gratins
 Gratins are more than layered potatoes and cream. Dishes include: Gratin of Brussel Sprouts, Gruyère and Prosciutto with Farro; Kale and Mushroom Lasagna; Fall Vegetable Cassoulet.



Sat. Oct. 13 · 11:15 a.m.
Mastering Tarte Tatin
 A hands-on quest to master Tarte Tatin! Here's your chance to gain technical expertise and pick up important tips on pastry crust, pan usage and apple variety.



Sat. Oct. 27 · 11:15 a.m.
The Art of Confit
 Confit is an ancient process for preserving food in fat. It gives duck a tender consistency and aromatic richness unique to Southwestern French cuisine. Get hands-on experience preparing Duck Confit, Potato Purée with Garlic Confit and Pork Rillettes.

Preschool Programs

Back to School

Our immersive preschool programs 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

Kids Classes

Fall session:

Sept. 15 – Nov. 3

Make friends and learn French! Classes are arranged by age (1 – 12 years old) and level.



Kids Workshops

Oct. 3 and Nov. 7

Family Chefs

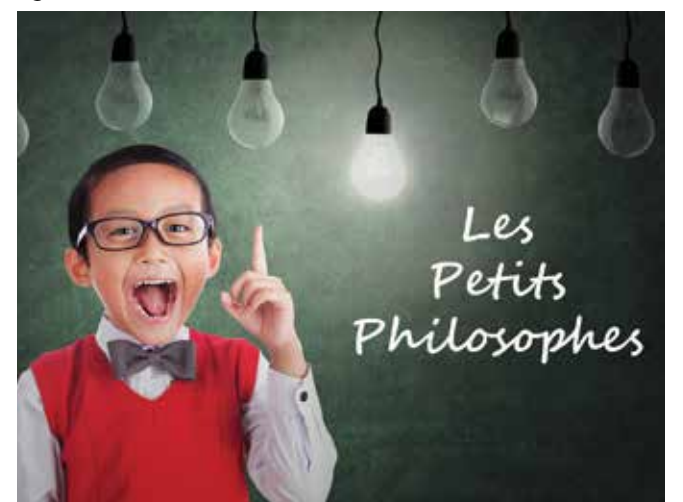
Get ready for a fun, family afternoon in the kitchen. Your kids will love making and eating delicious French recipes. No previous French required. Starting at 5 years old.



Starting Sept. 18

Les Petits Philosophes

No previous French required.
 On Tuesdays at 4:15 p.m. There are so many things going on in our kids heads. In this workshop, they will share about important topics such as friendship, love, anger and many others.
 Ages 6 to 9





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Preschool Program in French!

- Monday through Friday.
- 3 to 4 years old in the morning.
- 4 to 5 years old in the afternoon.

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Free Trial Classes

September 4 – 8

Open House

Wednesday, September 5

Parking discount: \$9 for 12 hours

Parking available only two blocks away
at 100 W. Chestnut St.