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Alliance Française

Chicago

Fall-Winter 2018

Celebrate
in French

mais oui!

French Classes

All ages & levels • REGISTER ONLINE!

Fast track for new learners: Nov. 5–9

8-week session: Nov. 12–Jan. 29

First 4-week session: Nov. 12–Dec. 13

Second 4-week session: Jan. 2–29

Open House

Tue. Nov. 6 • Details inside

FREE Trial Classes & Placement

Nov. 5–10 • Details inside

New brochure format

Full class & event listing on our website

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

Open House · An Alliance Expo

Tuesday, November 6 · 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Come to our new Open House and see all that we offer from French classes and films, to cooking classes, wine tastings and more. Meet our staff directly, talk to our teachers, take a free trial class and enjoy some refreshments.

Free Trial Classes **November 5–10**

Initiation levels

Mon. Nov. 5

10:00–10:45 a.m.

5:40–6:25 p.m.

Thu. Nov. 8

7:45–8:30 p.m.

Sat. Nov. 10

11:00–11:45 a.m.

Beginners levels

Thu. Nov. 8

10:00–10:45 a.m.

5:40–6:25 p.m.

Sat. Nov. 10

12:00–12:45 p.m.

Intermediate levels

Thu. Nov. 8

6:30–7:15 p.m.

Advanced levels

Mon. Nov. 5

6:30–7:15 p.m.

Free Placement **Nov. 5–10**

Mon.–Thu.

Nov. 5–8

10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Fri.

Nov. 9

10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sat.

Nov. 10

10:00 a.m.–4:00 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. Nov. 5–Thu. Nov. 9, 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 essential grammatical structures, vocabulary and pronunciation. Speak French from the very first class! · 12 teaching hours · \$255 (reusable textbook included!)

Le Bootcamp **for advanced beginner and intermediate levels · Sat. Nov. 10, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**

Workshops include a grammatical brush-up, pronunciation, vocabulary, oral comprehension and expression and will focus on known challenging areas to efficiently answer students' 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 lead through **best practices**.
- We emphasize oral communication so that you can **interact in French from the beginning**.
- We keep **classes** small to provide maximum guidance.
- We teach **creatively and efficiently**; no more pointless verb lists to memorize.
- We make learning an **enriching and fun** experience.

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. Nov. 12–Tue. Jan. 29

Twice-a-week: 4-week course: Mon. Nov. 12–Thu. Dec. 13 (1st 4-week session)
and/or: Wed. Jan. 2–Tue. Jan. 29 (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 November 12, register before 4:00 p.m. on November 10. For classes starting January 2, register before 4:00 p.m. on January 1, 2019. Register for both 4-week sessions at the same time and receive an extra \$20 discount.

Holiday discount: 7:45 p.m. classes at -10%
(5 enrollees minimum to open a class, see website for terms and conditions)

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: February 4–March 30

Events



Sat. Nov. 10 · 1:30 p.m.
Avec l'Auteur :
Nègres jaunes et autres
créatures imaginaires
 Avec Yvan Alagbé, bédéiste
 En français · Gratuit pour les membres / \$10 non-membres



Wed. Nov. 14 · 6:30 p.m.
Film Retrospective
La Notte
 Michelangelo Antonioni, Italy, 1961
 \$7 Members / \$10 Non-members



Sat. Nov. 17 · 1:30 p.m.
Ciné-Samedi
La nuit américaine /
Day for Night
 Francois Truffaut, France, 1973
 \$7 Members / \$10 Non-members



Thu. Nov. 29 · 2:00 p.m.
Collecting Art
 With art historian Stanley Johnson
 In English · Free for members / \$10 Non-members



Sat. Dec. 1 · 1:30 p.m.
Ciné-Samedi
Frances Ha
 Noah Baumbach, US, 2012
 \$7 Members / \$10 Non-members



Tue. Dec. 11 · 6:30 p.m.
Film Retrospective
Touki Bouki
 Djibril Diop Mambéty, Senegal, 1973
 \$7 Members / \$10 Non-members



Wed. Jan. 16 · 6:30 p.m.
Film Retrospective
Faces
 John Cassavetes, US, 1968
 \$7 Members / \$10 Non-members



Thu. Jan. 17 · 6:30 p.m.
Trivia Night
 Architecture and Monuments
 In English · Admission: \$5



Sat. Jan. 26 · 1:30 p.m.
Ciné-Samedi
La collectionneuse
 Eric Rohmer, France, 1967
 \$7 Members / \$10 Non-members

The Brown Library

Relax and enjoy the library—your perfect place to reset after a busy day. Our 18,000-item private francophone collection offers a variety of items for all levels and ages. Explore Culturethèque digital library, providing French resources via all your mobile devices, and an AF membership benefit. Browse our ongoing book sale that is full of fascinating selections!
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. Nov. 7, 28; Dec. 5; Jan 9, 23

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, November 26 at 6:00 p.m.
Chien-Loup par Serge Joncour

Fête de Fin d'Année

Fri. Dec. 14 · 6:30 p.m.
Live performance, Libations and Hors d'Œuvres
 In English · \$25 Members and current Alliance Students / \$35 Non-members



Join us for *Joie !*, the live performance kick starting our annual fête, with Isabelle Olivier, Michelle Marvin and Marion Kleinberger. Add a spring to your step after the show with a glass of classic bubbly, warm your heart with Jack's famous *vin chaud*, or raise a snifter at the armagnac tasting table with Scott Komplin. As to the menu, no worries—there will be plenty of fancy French food to match your fancy frocks... *À la bonne heure !*

Workshops

Wed. Dec. 5 · 7:00 p.m.
Taste and Toast: Master, Bourgogne Rouges
With Scott Komplin

In English · Members \$55 / Non-members \$65
 A toast to Burgundy! Dive deep into one of the most famous and expensive wine regions in the world. Bourgogne is all about terroir. Explore the region by analyzing wines from the three major quality crus... Village, Premier Cru & Grand Cru. We will tour these wines from grape to glass to gain a full understanding of what makes these wines unique.



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

Sat. Nov. 17 · 11:15 a.m.
A Basque Thanksgiving
 We honor fearless Basque fishermen with celebratory dishes from a hearty cuisine including Potato, Leek and Cod Soup; Roast Turkey Breast Stuffed with Chestnuts and Wild Mushrooms, Potatoes in Red Wine, Onion and Pepper Confit and Apple and Quince Pie.



Sat. Dec. 1 · 11:15 a.m.
Holiday madeleines
 We prepare three variations of these succulent little cakes. Recipes include chocolate, vanilla, coffee and lavender flavors: "madeleines by Madelaine."



Sat, Dec. 15 · 11:15 a.m.
A Holiday menu from Aveyron
 Join in our preparation of Roquefort Soufflé, Roasted Duck Legs with Aligot (potato puree with Cantal cheese) and Walnut Cake from south-central France, perfect for holiday entertaining.

Sat, Jan. 12 · 11:15 a.m.
Mastering no knead breads
 Learn to bake spectacular breads, no kneading allowed. Recipes include French Boule Master Recipe, Cranberry Walnut Bread and Challah.

Sat, Jan. 19 · 11:15 a.m.
More Parmentier, please!
Parmentier is French comfort food, the equivalent of our mac and cheese but with added versatility. This *purée* (usually potatoes) over a tasty layer of ground meat, fish, vegetables or left-over stew offers many possible variations. Practice making a smooth *purée* and tasty fillings.

Preschool Programs

We accept registrations throughout the year!
 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

Late Fall session:
November 17–January 26
 Make friends and learn French! Classes are arranged by age (1–12 years old) and level.



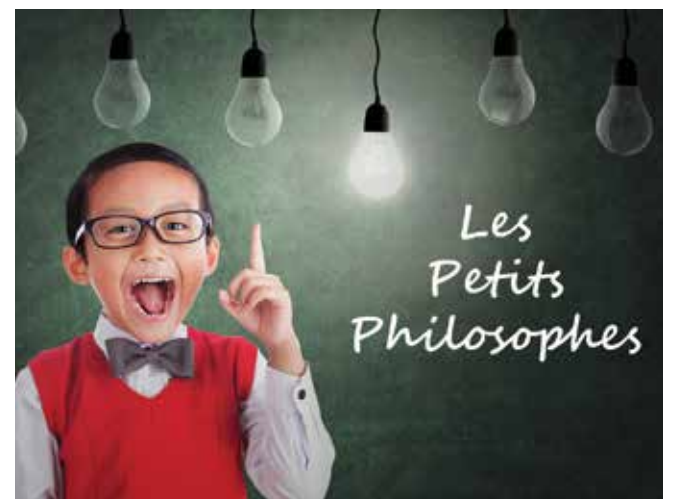
Kids Workshops

December 5 at 4:30 p.m.
Family Chefs: Yule Log / Bûche de Noël
 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 November 13
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





Give in French!

This season, donate
to the Alliance Française
to support the French
classes and programs
you love in the heart
of Chicago! ... and treat
someone special to one
of our gift certificates!

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Free Trial Classes

November 5 – 10

Open House

Tuesday, November 6

Parking discount: \$9 for 12 hours
Parking available only two blocks away
at 100 W. Chestnut St.