

FRE 282 -- Intermediate French II

This course is intended for students who have completed three semesters (three hours credit each) of French, or have successfully completed FRE 201 at the University of Southern Mississippi, or 2 or 3 years of high school French.

The course provides continuing practice in basic skills, and continues the study of the language with the overall goal of developing proficiency in French. Students will learn to talk about important events and people in their lives, parts of the body and ailments, housing and household furnishings, and practical aspects like managing and spending money. Students will continue their study of grammatical forms and structures including talking about the past in the *passé composé* and *imparfait*, the verbs *venir*, *revenir*, *devenir*, *voir* and *croire*, indirect object pronouns, negative expressions, and the future tense and conditional mode. They will practice familiar conversations such as narrating in the past, talking about their lives in the past, present and future, discussing housing and budgets. They will read a classic "bande dessinée" (comic book) and short texts about life in France and the Francophone world, and will listen to songs. Skills will be learned and practiced in listening, speaking, reading and writing French, and the focus will always be on relating the study of French to the "live lab" situation of living and learning in the Abbey in Pontlevoy and Paris, and traveling in France.