NVCC COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY

FRE 103 - BASIC SPOKEN FRENCH (3 CR.)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Teaches oral communications and introduces cultural mores and customs to students with no prior instruction in the language. Lecture 3 hours per week.

GENERAL COURSE PURPOSE

Basic Spoken French is a conversational course for students with no previous French. The focus is on communication skills, practical vocabulary, and cultural patterns. There are brief, simplified explanations of the structure of the language.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

A. understand simple spoken French within the limited context
B. carry on a simple conversation with correct pronunciation
C. read the French the student has already learned to comprehend and speak
D. be awareness of cultural patterns, including social patterns of behavior and current events

MAJOR TOPICS TO BE COVERED

The student will learn practical vocabulary in contextual communication patterns. The structure of the language will be explained in simplified terms in the context of the spoken skills developed. Topics and situations to be covered may include:

- Personal Identification
- House and Home
- Services
- Family Life
- Community/Neighborhood
- Physical Environment
- Public and Private Services
- Health and Welfare
- Education
- Travel
- Earning a Living
- Shopping
- Meal-taking/Food/Drink

OPTIONAL TOPICS

Occupational or technical vocabulary where appropriate for a particular group of students (i.e., law enforcement)