

DEPARTMENT: Foreign Language

COURSE: French Film

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This full year course is a post French 4H/4H Conversation course conceived for seniors. In this course students apply the knowledge and skills gained throughout the previous years of language and literature study to view, analyze and discuss thematic content of selected French movies. The class introduces students to the different genres in French film and students focus on aspects of French culture as portrayed through film. They also study the evolution of the art of French cinema. The goals of the class are twofold: to help students develop ease and fluency in discussing their opinions on the movies viewed, both in speaking and in writing, and to help them to develop a greater appreciation of French culture through film.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

Various themes in French film

REQUIRMENTS

Prerequisite: French 4H

Active viewing and participation in the target language

Timely submission of assignments

GRADING PROCEDURES

Students will be graded on the compositions they will be required to write after each movie viewed in class. Students may also be assigned mini-projects throughout the year, and will be required to produce a short film as their final year-end project. Students must demonstrate active engagement in class since oral participation is an integral part of their performance and grade.