Middlebury College French School
ALL STUDENTS
2015 PLACEMENT AND REGISTRATION
(Please See Opening Schedule)

Seven-week Intensive Language session
Please plan to arrive at the Welcome Center on Friday, June 26 between 11 am and 8 pm. All students (except for students preliminarily accepted to Level 1) will be given an oral interview to finalize their placement on Saturday, June 27. Beginning-level students will meet with their instructors for orientation and ice-breaker activities on Saturday. Final placement in any given level will be determined by the results of your online assessment and the oral interview. Your levels may change during the first week of classes. Please note that your enrollment signifies acceptance of our placement.

Descriptions of the different levels of the 7-week program can be found at French 7-week Program Academic Curriculum. Each level carries three credit units (which is equivalent to nine semester-hour credits) and involves four to six hours of class per day.

Please note that at Level 4, 3411 Advanced Grammar and 3413 Oral Production & Pronunciation each award ½ unit of credit and are compulsory classes. Likewise, 3414 Writing in French/Advanced Composition is compulsory at this level and awards one unit of credit. Additionally each student will select one course from among course numbers 3412, 3429, 3475 and 3485. We will do our best to satisfy your course preferences but cannot guarantee them.

Graduate session - new students

All new 6-week (MA, DML and non-degree graduate) students, including students previously enrolled in the seven-week session, will complete an on-line oral placement test before arriving on campus. Instructions for this test will be sent to all enrolled students beginning mid-May.

If you are among this group, you must arrive on Tuesday, June 30 in time for a 1 p.m. orientation meeting. Courses will be selected in consultation with the director, associate director, and/or a member of the faculty, taking into consideration the results of the placement testing. Course web-registration will open at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, and will close at noon on Wednesday. Please be sure that you register for your required and elective classes by this time.

Please note: 1st year graduate students whose travel distance will not allow them to arrive in time for the required 1pm meeting on June 30, may email or phone me to request permission to arrive on Monday, June 29. It is only with prior notification that a room will be available on Monday. No other allowances for early arrivals can be made.

Graduate session – returning students
Returning students (DML, 4th, 3rd and 2nd-summer graduates) may arrive on Tuesday, June 30 during Welcome Center hours, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
All enrolled returning graduate students will have the opportunity to register for courses online in advance of the session. Additionally, there will be an opportunity for advising and course changes on Tuesday, June 30, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The French School coordinator will send information regarding course registration in mid-May.

The normal course load for graduate students is three units. New students may not take an extra course. Returning students may be allowed to take an overload only under special circumstances and must request advance permission of the French School Director. The extra course fee is $1850.

The placement and orientation activities of the 7-week arrival weekend and the 6-week orientation days are extremely important and may not be missed. You must plan your arrival on campus accordingly. If you know ahead of time that, for a reason beyond your control, you will not be able to attend some or all of these activities, you must request permission of the French School. Please email sschwaneflugel@middlebury.edu. Should you accidentally miss part of orientation, contact our office as soon as possible, at the latest when you arrive on campus: 1-802-443-5526.

Course Descriptions can be found at:
French School 2015 7-week Course Descriptions.

French School 2015 Graduate Course Descriptions.

M.A. degree requirements can be found at:
French Masters Program Academic Tracks.