**NOTATION de la PARTICIPATION - Fr2005***(oral proficiency errors (pronunciation, grammar, intonation, etc.) are never penalized. "Participation" in our courses concerns the effort to promote communication for oneself and for others.)  
NOTE: See end of document for program policy on attendance.*

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| **LETTRES** | **+ POINTS** | **- POINTS** |  |
| A à A- | 90-100 | 0-10 | EXCELLENT TO VERY GOOD:  Always speaks or attempts to speak in French, including during partner work, when asking clarification questions, when starting an activity, etc. Always prepared. Does not hesitate to ask questions when confused. Always ready to communicate (hand raising, etc.) and volunteers often (for prepared homework answers, reading examples or text aloud when the professor ask for volunteers, etc). Engages in all exchanges, including listening and reacting/responding to others, inviting comments. etc. Always attempts to make appropriate comments related to topic and to rephrase/reformulate if necessary. Is respectful of others (participates without dominating a discussion, etc.) |
| B+ à B- | 80-89 | 11-20 | GOOD TO AVERAGE:  Occasionally uses English without making an effort to express self in French. Occasionally unprepared. Sometimes does not ask questions when confused or when in search of "the right word". Does not always attempt to foster interaction or engage with others. Does not always demonstrate respect for others. |
| C+ à D- | 60-79 | 21-40 | FAIR TO POOR:  Rarely uses French. Often unprepared. Often ignores topic and makes unrelated comments. Often attempts to pull others off-topic. Almost never asks questions when confused. Makes little to no effort to communicate (no gestures, no circumlocution, no questions.) Disrespectful of others. |
| F | 0-59 | 41-60 | VERY POOR:  Refuses to speak French. Always unprepared. Never asks questions when confused. Ignores topic. Disruptive and/or very disrespectful of others. |

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Given the importance of listening, speaking and other communication skills practiced in class, the participation grade is lowered after more than three unexcused absences. (For details: https://www2.gwu.edu/~francais/Fr-descr/descriptionFr05.html#assid)

Four or five unexcused absences lower the participation grade to a maximum of B.

Six unexcused absences lower the participation grade to a maximum of C.

Nine or more unexcused absences lower the participation grade to an F.