

# AP<sup>®</sup> French Language and Culture

## For new and experienced AP teachers

### Learning outcomes

After attending this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Apply concrete strategies for designing and implementing an effective AP French Language and Culture curriculum, drawing from the Curriculum Framework
- Develop activities and assessments that present language in cultural context, appropriately build students' proficiencies in the modes of communication as defined in the Standards for Foreign Language Learning in the 21st Century and integrate "authentic materials" into language instruction
- Implement strategies to effectively prepare students for the AP exam
- Develop or revise a syllabus to align with course requirements

### Workshop materials

Each participant will receive a copy of the Workshop Handbook, which contains:

- AP French Language and Culture Course and Exam Description
- AP Course Audit information
- Sample syllabus for AP French Language and Culture and a Syllabus Development Guide
- AP French Language and Culture Practice Exam
- AP French Language and Culture free-response materials (student samples, scoring guidelines, and commentary)

### Curriculum Module: Science and Technology

The science and technology theme for the AP French Language and Culture course may be explored through the context of social impact, as suggested in the AP French Language and Culture Curriculum Framework. Indeed, one of the proposed essential questions for this theme is, How do developments in science and technology affect our lives? This topic can be addressed from both historical and contemporary perspectives, and lends itself well to literary, cultural and journalistic explorations. The lesson in this curriculum module provides AP French Language and Culture students with the opportunity to examine the ways people's lives are changed by the introduction of technology. The lesson draws from authentic audio, visual, audiovisual and written materials, incorporating culture into the classroom while developing students' Interpretive, Interpersonal and Presentational Communication skills.

- **Lesson:** *Les Civilisations traditionnelles se modernisent*
  - Activity 1: *Pensons à la technologie*
  - Activity 2: *La Magie de la technologie*
  - Activity 3: *Se servir de la technologie pour s'informer*
  - Activity 4: *La Technologie au service de la communauté*

**Note:** Curriculum module materials reflect important topics in AP courses, and the materials are meant to provide teachers with resources and classroom ideas. However, curriculum module materials should **not** be taken as an indication that a particular topic will appear on the AP Exam.