Syllabus for Haitian Creole 1130, Spring 2005, UF
Silabis pou kreyòl ayisyen

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APK online: The entire content of Ann pale kreyòl is available for free online at: http://www.clas.ufl.edu/llc/audio.htm
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User ID: Fill in the blank: ___________
Password: Fill in the blank: ___________

Equal rights statement: All activities in this class are open to all persons with non-discrimination with respect to race, creed, color, religion, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, political opinions or affiliations.

Class objectives:
Our objective is to help develop your proficiency in speaking, reading, writing and listening in Haitian Creole. Our goal is to accomplish this in a classroom setting where communicative, form-focused and meaningful activities activate learning. We want to teach you the Haitian Creole used in everyday life so that you can use Haitian Creole in your everyday life! Haitian Creole is a great blessing. In addition to the instruction of Haitian Creole, the instruction of Haitian culture, society and especially music (konpa, rasin, twoubadou, rap, raga, levanjil, vodou tradisyonèl, etc.) are an important part of the class experience.

Special concerns:
IF YOU PLAY WITH THESE THINGS, YOU ARE CONSIDERED ABSENT. Please don’t play with these and other distractions.

• NO CELL PHONES. TURN PHONES OFF, PUT THEM AWAY.
• NO NEWSPAPERS.
• NO BEEPERS.
• NO GADGETS.
• NO UNRELATED ITEMS, BOOKS, ETC.
Grade distribution:

(1) **15 % = Homework.** NO LATE WORK ACCEPTED EXCEPT IF A MEDICAL OR EMERGENCY DOCUMENT (INCLUDING PHONE NUMBER) IS **STAPLED** TO THE HOMEWORK WHEN SUBMITTED. All homework checked for completion. Your name and assignment information (book, page, etc.) is required. Homework comes from *Ann pale kreyòl*, *Ti Koze Kreyòl*, and *The Oxford Picture Dictionary*.

(2) **15 % = Written assignments.** NO LATE WORK EXCEPT IF A MEDICAL OR EMERGENCY DOCUMENT (INCLUDING PHONE NUMBER) IS STAPLED TO THE WORK SUBMITTED. “Your autobiography in 6 installments.” Your autobiography must be typed with accents and you will lose points if it is late. Paper must be typed, .12 font, double-spaced with 1 inch margins on all sides, and a ½ page minimum in length. You must know what **every** Creole word in your essay means in English.

**Installments:**
(1) ½ page (2.5%), Friday, February 11
(2) ½ page (2.5%), Friday, February 18
(3) ½ page (2.5%), Friday, February 25
(4) ½ page (2.5%), Friday, March 11
(5) ½ page (2.5%), Friday, March 18
(6) Final Version (2.5%), Wednesday, April 20.

The Final Version is the corrected version of parts 1-5. You must use a dictionary to correct the misspelled words in your essays. You must submit the graded parts 1-5 with the Final Version. You must highlight or type in **boldface type** all your corrections.

You cannot submit your essay after April 20.

(3) **10 % = Quizzes.** NO MAKE UP QUIZZES. Many of these are POP-QUIZZES! Vocabulary quizzes are based on *The Oxford Picture Dictionary* and *konpa* quizzes are based on the *konpa* songs. Quizzes cannot be made up for any reason whatsoever.

(4) **10 % = 2 Oral Exams + Class Presentation.** NO MAKE UP ORAL EXAMS EXCEPT IF A MEDICAL OR EMERGENCY EXCUSE INCLUDING PHONE NUMBER IS SUBMITTED. The oral exams require working with a randomly assigned and/or chosen partner. The oral exams are 10-minute interviews in Creole on given themes. You will present a topic of your choice to the class in Haitian Creole for up to 10 minutes (December 6, 7, 8). You might be asked to translate parts of your essay in the Oral Exam.

(5) **15 % = Participation.** Based on your punctual arrival, your attendance, on your classroom volunteerism and cooperation, on your willingness to practice Haitian Creole and on your comportment and treatment of others. If you are chronically late or absent, this will severely affect your participation numbers. Roll call can occur as early as the first seconds in which
class begins. Note: if you’re not there at roll call, YOU’RE NOT THERE. You are encouraged to come anyway, but you will not be added to the roll call.

(6) 20 % = 2 Midterm Exams: (1) Monday, February 14th (2) Wednesday, March 30th

(7) 15 % = Final Exam:

Total: 100%. Your grade is based on the sum total of your scores in the above 7 categories.
You must score in every category to pass the class.
You must excel in every category to ace the class.

Required texts:
All these textbooks are available at: GTI textbooks, TIS textbooks, University Bookstore


Recommended listening in Haitian Creole:


Fundamental reference works.


Class code
Course expectations
Students are expected to study the material in:

- *Ann pale kreyòl*
- The vocabulary in *The Oxford Picture Dictionary*
- *Ti Koze Kreyòl*
- The songs we listen to.

A vast majority of the vocabulary used in *Ann pale kreyòl* and *Ti Koze Kreyòl* is found in the glossaries at the end of the books.

No late work policy
Sorry, no late work accepted except if a medical or emergency excuse is stapled to the assignment when submitted. Failing to submit homework can significantly worsen your grade.

Attendance policy
Students are expected to attend class daily. Students may take 5 unexcused absences = 5 hours. Excessive unexcused absences and tardiness result in (drastic) lowering of the participation score.

If a student is absent, he or she is expected to contact the instructor within 24 hours with the reason for his or her absence. Medical treatment or a personal or family emergency are grounds for an excused absence, a note including a contact phone number is required.

Working together communicatively
Since this class takes a communicative approach to the instruction of Haitian Creole, finding the right balance between listening, reading, taking notes and talking with your partners is an important part of working together. In order to maximize on the variety of in-class partners, students should expect to work with different partners. Sometimes you will be asked to pair with a new person. The communicative approach assumes that each student will provide instructional input and feedback to her or his fellow classmates.

*Guidelines for the 6-part written assignments. Your “autobiography.”*
Each of these installments will be a part in your Haitian Creole autobiography. Each assignment is to contain no less than 150 words. They must be typed. You are expected to use a dictionary, especially one of those recommended in this syllabus. You may also ask a native speaker to look over your work and offer suggestions, HOWEVER, you must be able to translate every word in your essay into English without a dictionary.

An autobiography is the story about your life so far. It is not a story about what you want to be in the future. An autobiography is a text where you reflect on events and your realizations in life. It does not have to be entirely true. BUT IT DOES HAVE TO BE YOUR WORK. If you wish, you may write the biography of someone you know well. We flunk plagiarists.

If you wish to write about future goals, save it for the 5th installment.
IMPORTANT: The FINAL VERSION is the corrected version of installments 1-5. You must turn the final version in stapled with the corrected versions. You must also highlight
or boldface all of your corrections. Failure to do so will result in the lowering of your final draft grade.

- Essays must be typed and double-spaced with 1 inch margins.
- A paper version must be submitted. YOU CANNOT JUST EMAIL IT TO ME!
- Times New Roman .12 font must be used with appropriate accents (handwritten accents are not accepted).
- In order to type accents in Microsoft Word follow these guidelines with your computer keyboard:

  1) **For è:** Push Ctrl + ` at the same time (` is the key with ~ on top), let go and next push e and this produces è
  2) **For ò:** Push Ctrl + ` at the same time, let go and next push o and this produces ô
  3) **For à:** Push Ctrl + ` at the same time, let go and next push a and this produces à

Citations from outside sources (printed or electronic) are strongly recommended and should be accompanied by appropriate bibliographical references. Example:

**Book:**
Author. Year of publication. *Title of book*. City of publisher: Publisher.

**Article in journal, magazine, etc.:**
Author. Year of publication. Title of article. *Name of source*, Issue of publication, pages numbers.

**Class web site**
A web site is presently available to students. Under the section “Class Notes” you will find all class notes available in a PDF file. Links to Haitian Creole internet radio programs, a Haitian Creole comic, a translation of Martin Luther King, Jr., and more are available. Students are urged to make use of the supplemental material. Reviewing class notes can be excellent exam review. Point your browser to:

http://web.clas.ufl.edu/users/hebble/

**Tutor**
The following Gainesville tutor is available at a reasonable rate. You are encouraged to contact him:

Fill in the blank : __________________________________________

**Standard Haitian Creole**
The variety of Haitian Creole found in *Ann pale kreyòl* is called Standard Haitian Creole. Standard Haitian Creole, which is spoken by a large majority of Haitians. Standard Haitian
Creole has dominated publishing in Haitian Creole for 50 years. Many prestigious publications have appeared in Standard Haitian Creole, such as Dezafi, Bib la, Agasya, etc.

**Alphabetization in Ann pale kreyòl [APK]**

The alphabetization found in APK follows an early model based on the sounds of Haitian Creole and not the traditional Roman alphabet. Thus, words are arranged in the following order:

- AZ is followed by AN (because AN is considered an independent letter)
- ÓY is followed by ON (because ON is considered an independent letter)
- ÓV is followed by OU (because OU is considered an independent letter)
- ÉT is followed by EN (because EN is considered an independent letter)

By following the ordering guidelines given above, you should be able to find virtually all the words in the textbook. Additionally, you should make use of the dictionaries on the syllabus. They do use conventional roman alphabetical order.

**Academic Honesty Guidelines**

Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. An academic honesty offense is defined as the act of lying, cheating, or stealing academic information so that one gains academic advantage. Any individual who becomes aware of a violation of the Honor Code is bound by honor to take corrective action.

Violations of the Academic Honesty Guidelines include but are not limited to:

* **Cheating.** The improper taking or tendering of any information or material which shall be used to determine academic credit. Taking of information includes copying graded homework assignments from another student; working with another individual(s) on graded assignments or homework; looking or attempting to look at notes, a text, or another student's paper during an exam.

* **Plagiarism.** The attempt to represent the work of another as the product of one's own thought, whether the other's work is oral or written (including electronic), published or unpublished. Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, quoting oral or written materials without citation on written materials or in oral presentations; submitting work produced by an on-line translation service or the translation feature of an on-line dictionary as your own.

* **Misrepresentation.** Any act or omission with intent to deceive a teacher for academic advantage. Misrepresentation includes lying to a teacher to increase your grade; lying or misrepresenting facts when confronted with an allegation of academic honesty.

* **Bribery, Conspiracy, Fabrication.** For details see below.

The UF Honor Code states:

"We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity."

On all work submitted for credit the following pledge is either required or implied:

"On my honor I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

Violations of this policy will result in disciplinary action according to the judicial process. For more details go to: [http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/academic.htm](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/academic.htm)
Students with disabilities

Students with disabilities must register with the Dean of Students office. Contact the
Assistant Dean of Students/Director of the Disability Resources Program at:
P202 Peabody Hall
Gainesville, FL 32611-5055
Phone (352) 392-1261 (V), 392-3008 (TDD)

For stress, emotional and psychological support, please contact the Counseling Center at:
301 Peabody Hall
Phone (352) 392-1575
Or: www.counsel.ufl.edu

If you need this syllabus in an alternate format, please speak to Ben.
Abbreviations: APK = Ann Pale Kreyòl
TKK = Ti Koze Kreyòl
OPD = The Oxford Picture Dictionary, English/Haitian Creole

Note: No late work accepted!!! Work is due on the day listed.

1
Monday, January 3  OPD 8
Tuesday, January 4  APK 1-2;
Wednesday, January 5  APK 1-2
Thursday, January 6  APK Annou pratike C, D p 3; APK Annou pratike A, B p. 6.
Friday, January 7  APK 3-4; APK Annou pratike A, B p 11;

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Monday, January 10  APK 3-4; OPD 2-3 & 7
Tuesday, January 11  Annou pratike A, B p 13-14; APK Annou pratike A p. 16; APK Annou pratike “Marye l ak II” p. 17
Wednesday, January 12  APK 5-6
Thursday, January 13  APK 5-6
Friday, January 14  APK Annou pratike A, B p. 22

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Monday, January 17  MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY. - DREAM BIG U.S.A.!
Tuesday, January 18  APK 5-6; OPD 64-65 & 24-25
Wednesday, January 19  APK Annou pratike C Annou kalkile p. 22, APK Annou pratike A p.23;
Thursday, January 20  
Friday, January 21  

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Monday, January 24  APK 7-8; OPD 148
Tuesday, January 25  APK Annou pratike B p. 34; B p. 35
Wednesday, January 26  APK 7-8
Thursday, January 27  Annou tcheke B p. 36; APK Annou pratike A, B p. 42;
Friday, January 28  APK 8; APK Annou pratike A p. 44-5;
Annou tcheke A, B p. 45

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Monday, January 31  APK 8; Read TKK 1; OPD 16-17
Tuesday, February 1  APK 9
Wednesday, February 2  APK 9; APK Annou pratike A p. 48, B p. 49; A p. 50; C p. 51
Thursday, February 3  APK 10; OPD12-13
Friday, February 4  APK 10; APK Annou pratike B p. 55; A p. 56; A, p. 58
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Monday, February 7  TKK 2; APK Annou pratike A, B p. 59
Tuesday, February 8  ORAL EXAM
Wednesday, February 9  ORAL EXAM
Thursday, February 10  Essay 1: REVIEW
Friday, February 11

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Monday, February 14  Midterm Exam I
Tuesday, February 15  APK 11; OPD 11, 22-23, 30-31, 12-13
Wednesday, February 16  APK Annou pratike A, B p. 65; A, B p. 66; Annou tcheke B, C p. 68
Thursday, February 17  APK 11
Friday, February 18  Essay 2: APK 11-12

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Monday, February 21  APK 12; OPD 98
Tuesday, February 22  APK Annou pratike C p. 73; A p. 74; B p. 76 (top of page); C p. 77
Wednesday, February 23  APK 12
Thursday, February 24  Read TKK 3
Friday, February 25  Essay 3: APK 13

9  SPRING BREAK

Monday, March 7  APK 13
Tuesday, March 8  Annou pratike A, B p. 83 & Annou pratike A, B p. 84

Wednesday, March 9  APK 13
Thursday, March 10  Essay 4
Friday, March 11  Read TKK 4;
10  APK Annou pratike A, B, C p. 86; Annou pratike A, B p. 87-88; Read APK Annou Li p. 89-90
Monday, March 14  APK 14; OPD 26-27
Tuesday, March 15  Essay 5

Wednesday, March 16  APK Annou pratike A, B, C, D p
17  95-96; APK Annou pratike A, B p. 97
Thursday, March 17  Read TKK 5
Friday, March 18  APK 14
11  ORAL EXAM / or STUDENT PRESENTATIONS (ask Isadora)
Monday, March 21

Tuesday, March 22
Wednesday, March 23
Thursday, March 24
Friday, March 25  ORAL EXAM / or STUDENT PRESENTATIONS (ask Isadora)
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Monday, March 28
Tuesday, March 29  REVIEW
Wednesday, March 30
Thursday, March 31
Friday, April 1

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Monday, April 4
Tuesday, April 5
Wednesday, April 6
Thursday, April 7
Friday, April 8

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Monday, April 11
Tuesday, April 12

Wednesday, April 13
Thursday, April 14
Friday, April 15

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Monday, April 18
Tuesday, April 19
Wednesday, April 20

REVIEW
Midterm Exam II
APK 14
APK Annou pratike A, B p. 98; APK Annou tcheke A, B p. 99

APK 15; Read TKK 6; OPD 74-75
APK Annou pratike A p. 104;
APK Annou pratike A, B p. 105
Read TKK 7
APK 15; APK Annou pratike A, B p. 107;

APK 16; OPD 66-69
APK 16 APK Annou pratike A, B p. 108; APK Annou pratike C, D p. 108-9
APK Annou pratike A p 116; A p 117; A. p 120
APK 16
APK B p 121; C. p 124; kesyon (1-8) p 128

STUDENT PRESENTATIONS
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REVIEW: Essay Final Draft: Turn in graded drafts 1 – 5 in addition to your corrected final draft. Corrections must be highlighted or boldface type.