## **<u>Certificate Course in French for Communication (Extension)</u></u>**

Learning French opens doors to numerous opportunities in international business, diplomacy, and culture. As an international language, French holds a significant position globally, being spoken on five continents and serving as an official language in many international organizations. In Sri Lanka, the interest in learning French has been steadily increasing. Institutions like Alliance Française, various state universities, government schools, and international schools offer programs to meet this growing demand, providing quality education and fostering cultural connections. At Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, French is offered as a main subject for the BA program in the Department of Languages, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities. Additionally, Rajarata University contributes to this demand by offering a Certificate Course in French as an extension course for beginners.

This 30-week certificate program aims to equip students with basic language skills, promoting linguistic and cultural competence. The course is aligned with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at the A1 level. Students completing this course will be prepared to take the DELF (Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française) A1 examination, an internationally recognized certification of French language proficiency. At this level, students will be able to understand and use familiar everyday expressions and basic phrases. They can introduce themselves and others, ask and answer questions about personal details such as where they live, people they know, and things they have. Additionally, they will be able to discuss topics such as family, professions, hobbies, daily routines, tastes, interests, food, and shopping. By the end of the course, students will have the confidence to engage in simple conversations and will possess a foundation to further develop their language skills. This qualification will also enable students to prepare for the DELF A2 level, where the skills acquired at A1 level are a prerequisite.

## **Course Details:**

Duration: 30 weeks

Schedule: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 7 PM to 9 PM

Lecture Hours: Six hours per week

Start: New batches commence annually

Instructors: Qualified teaching panel

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