GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING CAFÉ PLUS

What is Café Plus?
FREE conversation table IN FRENCH for OSU students and interested public

What is required for participation?
Readiness to engage in conversation IN FRENCH. No necessary minimum level of ability; only an expectation of good-faith participatory efforts.

What is expected of participants?
PLEASE DO: ask questions, bring up topics that interest you, let the facilitator know if you need help. We also expect that you will make mistakes when you speak; that’s totally fine! Also, of course, please always treat the facilitator and anyone else present with consideration and RESPECT.

PLEASE DON’T: have side conversations in English, do homework at the table, use your phone/computer at the table. (If you do choose to do any of these things, you may be asked to leave the table – without a slip – so that other participants can make the most of their experience. For 1100-level students, 1 extra credit point is given for participation in French conversation, not simple presence.)

What can participants expect at Café Plus?
Games, jokes, conversation, maybe even making friends – and all IN FRENCH! This is a safe space for you to practice and improve your French. You will not receive a grade or be evaluated; all you have to do is make an honest effort to participate at your level.

GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING TUTORING

Please consult the tutoring schedule BEFORE coming to HH 208/308 for tutoring. Make sure you know a) that there is a tutor available at that time, and b) who that person is, so you can ask for him/her.

If someone is already working with the tutor, check in and then wait in the hallway, unless otherwise instructed by the tutor. HH 208 is the French TA office, not a public space; it is open for French graduate students and students being served by tutors ONLY.

Please come with specific questions! If you come in and say, “I need help with French,” your tutor will not know where to start. Instead, try, “I would like some help with the passé composé” or “I don’t understand this culture reading.”

Respect the tutor’s time frame. Do not expect him/her to stay beyond his/her tutoring hour. Respect the space. Please keep your voice to a reasonable volume for a shared work area.