

07 OUTAOUAIS

HERITAGE COLLEGE

Project Title

French Upgrading for Nursing Students

Objectives

1 – To raise the French language abilities of Nursing students, so they are comfortable working in French language hospitals. 2 – To provide additional in-class instruction in the Block "A" and block "B" French for Nursing courses. The courses are 3 hours a week (each), and are taught by French-language teachers. 3 – To provide students with an additional 1 hour per week Nursing-specific French language teaching offered by a Nursing teacher who has native or near-native fluency in French. This will be scheduled homework hours where the French language can be practiced within a Nursing scenario.

Description

Heritage approaches both French language courses for Nursing students as program specific. However, students who possess less than an intermediate (lower than 102 French) level struggle to practice their French, do not feel comfortable working in French clinical placements. Given their border reality with Ottawa Ontario, the College encourages a working level of French for clinical placements in Gatineau and the Outaouais. By offering fixed mandatory homework hours in their student schedule for practice of their French within a Nursing context, through emphasized conversational skills within a Nursing context (Nurse to Nurse, Nurse to Doctor, Nurse to Patient, Nurse to Family, etc.) the student can practice and apply the Nursing vocabulary to everyday conversation in reality-based scenarios in the workplace. Simulations, role-play, and use of the SimLab for learning will be the emphasis.

The winter 2019 semester schedule will place one-hour a week for practice. Assessment of this initiative for the success of students will be made before increasing the number of hours of practice. Progress will be measured as follows: an initial pre-test, reflective practice and a final assessment in the form of a simulation or oral presentation.

Budget allocation	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2018-2021
	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$15,500	\$30,500