

## Faculty of Arts and Letters



### ROM2200 History of the French language

[30h] 2.5 credits

This two-yearly course is taught in 2007-2008, 2009-2010,...

This course is taught in the 2nd semester

**Teacher(s):** Jean Klein  
**Language:** French  
**Level:** Second cycle

#### Aims

The general purpose of this course is to give a view, with as many nuances as possible, of the concept " French language ", through time and space and through the variety of its users and usages.

#### Main themes

Reflection on the history notion of the language, with comments at given period of this history.

#### Content and teaching methods

1. Methodological reflection on the historical notion of the language (external and internal history). The linguistic and history methods having known a lot of evolution since the work of Ferdinand Brunot, questions will be asked on the links between language and time ( problem of " periodisation " and of linguistic change) and other questions on the relations between language and society.
2. A given period is analysed (Renaissance, XVIIIth century ...) by basing ourselves for instance on the analysis of non-literary documents, on theoretical reference works, available at the considered age.

#### Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Evaluation : Oral exam with paper to present at the exam.

Teaching material : selective bibliography.

#### Other credits in programs

<b>ROM21</b>	Première licence en langues et littératures romanes	(2.5 credits)
<b>ROM22</b>	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures romanes	(2.5 credits)