

Student Code of Conduct

Introduction

The aim of this Code of Conduct is to ensure that the Alliance Française provides a safe, respectful and supportive environment where effective learning can take place. It outlines the standards of behaviour expected of all students and helps protect the wellbeing of our community, as well as the property and reputation of the Alliance Française.

We are committed to creating a welcoming atmosphere in which everyone feels respected, valued and able to participate fully. We also support the rights and wellbeing of our staff and volunteers, who play an essential role in maintaining a positive and secure learning environment.

Classroom Conduct & Participation

Alliance Française d'Adélaïde strives to provide a welcoming, respectful and stimulating environment for all adult learners. To support this, students are expected to:

- Contribute to a positive and collaborative classroom atmosphere.
- Treat teachers, staff and fellow students with courtesy and respect.
- Arrive on time, participate actively, and avoid behaviour that disrupts the learning experience for others.
- Communicate openly and respectfully with teachers if they have concerns or require support.

Use of Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices

We recognise that adults may need access to their personal devices during a course, and we trust students to use them responsibly. To maintain a focused environment:

- Students are asked to refrain from using phones or electronic devices during class for purposes not related to French learning.
- If a device is needed for a legitimate reason (work, family, emergency), students should discreetly step out of the classroom or wait for an appropriate moment.
- Teachers may occasionally invite or allow the use of devices for specific learning activities (online dictionaries, audio exercises, etc.).

The goal is to reduce distractions for everyone while acknowledging the realities of adult life.

Respect for Property and Shared Spaces

- Students are expected to take reasonable care of classrooms, furniture, teaching materials and equipment.
- Food and drink (except water) should not be consumed in classrooms unless previously agreed with the teacher.
- Shared spaces should be left clean and tidy for other users.

Attendance of Guests or Relatives

To maintain the quality and continuity of learning for all participants:

- Classes are reserved exclusively for enrolled students.
- Friends, partners, relatives or visitors cannot attend, observe, or participate in classes, even occasionally, unless this has been expressly approved by the Alliance Française administration in advance for a specific purpose (e.g., accessibility support needs).
- This measure helps ensure that group dynamics, classroom numbers, and learning outcomes remain consistent for all enrolled students.

Safety, Wellbeing and Behaviour

- Students must act in ways that ensure their own safety and the safety of others.
- Bullying, harassment, aggressive behaviour or discriminatory comments are not acceptable.
- All students are expected to follow reasonable directions from staff, including in emergency or safety situations.

Alignment with Terms & Conditions

This Code of Conduct complements the national **Alliance Française Group Courses Terms & Conditions** for adults (2025 edition), including policies on enrolment, attendance, cancellation, and participation in group classes.