

Syllabus

VIT 102 Wines of Europe

General Information

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Course Prefix VIT

Course Number 102

Course Title Wines of Europe

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Catalog Description This course will survey the varied wine regions and wine styles across the European continent, and will examine the unique geographic, cultural, and historical context of these unique growing regions. While learning about the wine producing regions and nations that make up the classical wine canon, the students will taste 4-8 wines per class, and will learn an analytical framework and methodology to evaluate, describe, record in a journal, and verbally communicate the wine quality and character to their classmates.

Credit Hours 1

Lecture Contact Hours 1

Lab Contact Hours 1

Other Contact Hours 0

Grading Scheme Letter

Prerequisites

Restricted to Viticulture majors

Co-requisites

None

First Year Experience/Capstone Designation

This course DOES NOT satisfy the outcomes applicable for status as a FYE or Capstone.

SUNY General Education

This course is designated as satisfying a requirement in the following SUNY Gen Ed categories

None

FLCC Values

Institutional Learning Outcomes Addressed by the Course

Vitality, Inquiry, Perseverance, and Interconnectedness

Course Learning Outcomes

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- 1. Implement tasting strategies to characterize a wine using the five senses.
- 2. Identify aromas and flavors in wines and develop a vocabulary to communicate those observations to others.
- 3. Explain differences in wine regions across the European continent through geography, history, culture, and the diversity of wine styles.
- 4. Practice technical wine-tasting writing skills in a journal

Outline of Topics Covered

- 1. Introduction to Wine tasting, service, and analysis
- 2. France
 - a. Champagne
 - b. Alsace and Savoie
 - c. Burgundy and Jura
 - d. Bordeaux and Loire
 - e. Rhone Valley, Languedoc, and Provence
 - f. Roussillon, Southwest France, and Corsica
- 3. Italy
 - a. Piemonte, Lombardy, Alto Adige, Veneto, and Friuli
 - b. Tuscany, Umbria, Emilia-Romagna, Marche, and Abruzzo
 - c. Campania, Basillicata, Puglia, Calabria, and Sicilia
- 4. Spain and Portugal
 - a. Rioja, Ribera del Duero, Priorat, Bierzo, Rias Baixas

- b. Sherry/ Jerez, Port, Madeira, Bairrada, and Alentejo
- 5. Germany
 - a. Rheingau, Rheinhessen, Pfalz, Nahe, Mosel, and Baden
- 6. Austria and Hungary
 - a. Kremtal, Kamptal, Burgenland, Styria, Tokay, Somlo, Eger
- 7. Greece and the Balkans
 - a. Croatia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania
 - b. Crete, Macedonia, Cyclades, Peloponnese,
- 6. Review and Blind Tasting

Program Affiliation

This course is not required as a core course in any programs.