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Enhancing French Curriculum: Workshop for New Course Development at UiTM Shah Alam

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From the 18th to the 22nd of November 2024, the French Language Unit of the Academy of Language Studies (APB) held a new course document workshop at APB, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Shah Alam. This face-to-face workshop involves all French language lecturers from UiTM Selangor Branch Shah Alam Campus, a French language lecturer from UiTM Terengganu Branch Dungun Campus and two French language lecturers from UiTM Penang Branch Permatang Pauh Campus.

The purpose of organizing this workshop is to discuss and produce new curriculum documents comprehensively that are impactful and relevant to the needs of students in this decade, resulting from the academic circular number 16/2024, which proposes a reduction in the number of learning hours for third languages. This reduction in learning hours will give students room to improve their basic skills in their field. Therefore, this workshop is required to ensure that the curriculum documents for the new courses, TLF401 and TLF451, effectively support the fundamental skills students need.

Among the things that have been discussed are the students' communication skills, which correspond to level A2 on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) scale. It is hoped that with this workshop, the lecturers in particular and UiTM in general will be able to produce competent and skilled students.