

# SCHEDULE :



8.30 | Welcoming Coffee | VKC 100

8.45 | Welcoming Remarks | VKC 100

Pr. Béatrice Mousli Bennett, Director, Francophone Research and Resource Center, University of Southern California, Los Angeles  
The Hon. Christophe Lemoine, Consul General of France in Los Angeles

9.00 | The Hon. Ricardo Lara, State Senator from California's 33<sup>rd</sup> District

9.30 | The French Embassy's Tools for Bilingual Education | Antonia Rigaud, Higher Education and French Language Attachée, Consulate General of France in Los Angeles | VKC 100

9.45 | The Various Models of Bilingual Programs | Valérie Sun, Ed.D. Candidate | VKC 100

10.15 | Why Choose a Bilingual Program? | Eve Ryan, PhD. Candidate | VKC 100

- Addressing parents' fears, reasons and motivations for enrolling children
- The advantages of a bilingual education

11.00 | PANEL DISCUSSION: How to Create a Bilingual Program? | THH 110

- Developing a curriculum and finding the right teaching resources
- Teacher recruitment & credentialing

Moderated by Valérie Sun

Speakers:

- Dr. Patricia Carroll, Educational Consultant
- Gérard Granade, Principal, Richland Avenue Elementary School, Los Angeles
- Hilda Maldonado, Executive Director, Multilingual and Multicultural Education Department, Los Angeles Unified School District
- Jacqueline Olson, French Teacher, Franklin Magnet School, Glendale

12.30 | LUNCH

2.00 | PANEL DISCUSSION: Bridging the School/Home Gap | THH 110

- Helping kids after school
- Tools for parents

Moderated by Eve Ryan

Speakers:

- Dr. Zara Bennett, French and Yoga Teacher, Co-Founder of Richland Elementary's free after-school French Homework Club for first-graders
- Florence Farenc, Executive Director of France Exchange School, Los Angeles
- Muriel Gassan, Founder of "Frenchip", an association that promotes the creation of French-English language programs in public schools
- Veronica Jones, Co-Founder of Richland Elementary's free after-school 1st grade French Homework Club

3.30 - 4.30 | CLOSING DISCUSSION | Moderated by Eve Ryan and Valérie Sun | THH 110

- Challenges to overcome
- What's next?

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### About the Center

Housed by USC's Dana and David Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, with the support of the Cultural Services of the French Embassy to the United States of America, the Francophone Research and Resource Center (FRC) develops and conducts programs, workshops, conferences, seminars and other activities for a wide range of audiences, Francophiles and Francophones, members of the University of Southern California community, French teachers at all levels, and students learning French, French literature and French culture. Its main goal is to create interdisciplinary bridges between local and Francophone institutions.

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### Los Angeles Office

The Office for Cultural Affairs and the Creative Industries in Los Angeles aims to promote and improve French-American exchanges in all the fields of culture, as well as higher education and language. Its activities cover the Southwest, i.e. Southern California, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and Southern Nevada.

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