French 108. Modern French Culture (4)
Spring Quarter 2015
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Tues/Thurs 3:10-4:30pm
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This course will provide a survey of modern French culture from the late nineteenth century (esp. the Dreyfus affair) to the present day, with an emphasis on the cultural crises and socio-political shifts that marked the twentieth century. We will examine salient periods and issues such as World War I and the inter-war period, World War II and the Occupation, post-war consumerism and ambivalence toward the U.S., the Algerian War and decolonization, the student and worker uprisings of May ’68, and immigration. Course material will include historical documents, journalism, essays, photography, painting and films. Course work will include multiple writing assignments, including a research paper, in-class presentations, quizzes and exams.