



The **AATF of Rhode Island** in collaboration with **Brown University's Department of French and Francophone Studies** presents:

**WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS OF FRENCH:**

*Enhancing French Language Instruction:*

*Practical Activities to Promote Active Reading and Creativity*

**Saturday, 7 March 2026**

**Brown University**

**Department of French and Francophone Studies**

Rochambeau House

84 Prospect Street

Providence, RI 02912

**Schedule:**

8:30-9: Welcome (coffee and pastries)

9-12: Workshop

12: Lunch (optional: [Flat Bread Company](#))

A **certificate of completion** and **3 PLU credits** will be available at the conclusion of the workshop.

This workshop will explore strategies that foster collaboration and promote active reading. We will explore how social annotation platforms and collaboration tools can be used to annotate texts collaboratively, crowdsource information, and encourage authentic exchange in order to help students make the transition from passive to active reading. This workshop will also aim to introduce language acquisition techniques and ideas to increase student engagement at different levels (from beginner to advanced): it will introduce practical communicative activities that immerse French students in authentic tasks and reflect on ways in which instructors can draw upon their own creativity, as well as on that of their students.

The first part of the workshop will be dedicated to the exploration of practical activities that promote active reading and creativity. Following a presentation, participants will work in small groups to exchange ideas for classroom use and reflect on their pedagogical approach. Finally, participants will discuss the role of emerging technologies (including AI) in creating learning environments that foster intercultural competence, facilitate vocabulary acquisition and enhance engagement.

The workshop will be conducted in French by AATF-RI Board member [Stéphanie Ravillon, Associate Teaching Professor of French and Francophone Studies at Brown University.](#)

**Cost:**

AATF Members: **\$20**

Non-members: **\$25**

**checks payable to**

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[Enrollment Form](#)

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