

FACULTY OF ARTS

# **GERMAN STUDIES**

German Studies focuses on the language, literature, and culture of Germany, Austria, and Switzerland.

The German Studies program in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures offers up-to-date, effective language instruction for beginners through to advanced students.

Even if you have no prior knowledge of German, it is possible to begin and complete a degree in German Studies. Many students choose to combine a degree in this area with a related field such as English, French, History, or Education. Even if you do not major in German Studies, taking courses in this area will enrich your education and can be used to meet the Humanities Requirement. Courses in German culture and literature are available in both English and German.

This program leads to a Bachelor of Arts degree (3-year) with a Major in German Studies.

Students taking an undergraduate degree in another Major may choose to add a Minor in German Studies as a secondary area of interest.

## SAMPLE CAREERS

German Studies graduates may find employment in a variety of areas, from teaching to library science, from publishing to travel and hospitality. Knowledge of the German language and culture is an asset for any career involving international trade and communications, such as business administration, marketing, the arts and media, government, and diplomacy.

#### SAMPLE COURSES

**Introductory German** is a first-year course for students with little or no previous knowledge of German. This course provides a solid base in vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation. Small conversation classes help students learn practical applications of the language in communication.

**German Culture through Film** uses German feature films to help students develop their language skills and learn about the culture and history of German-speaking Europe since the 1920s.

**Exploring Language and Society through Texts** allows you to put your German skills to use and learn about current events in German-speaking countries by reading online news and entertainment sites and blogs, listening to podcasts and watching shows, documentaries and news – all in German. Students develop speaking, listening, reading and writing skills and improve their German vocabulary.

### **MORE SAMPLE COURSES**

- Advanced Intermediate German
- German-English Translation
- German Culture through Film

## SAMPLE FIRST YEAR

- History of the German Language
- German Phonetics
- Business German

GERM-1001(6) Introductory German (if you do not hold German 40S) OR GERM-2001(6) Intermediate German (if you have completed German 40S) OR GERM-2109(3) Advanced Intermediate I (if you have Advanced Placement or similar background) RHET-1101(3) Academic Writing: Humanities or any other section of Academic Writing (if required) Up to 24 credit hours of Electives, depending on interest.

**NOTE:** This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.

## Within my first few days at UWinnipeg, I felt at home in the German Studies program's close-knit community, whose members shared a keen interest in German language and culture. The variety of course offerings, along with the many extracurricular activities and work/study opportunities, were just some of the reasons why I chose to pursue a BA in German Studies.

-Angela Carson (BA 2019), Teaching Assistant

## **REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES**

You must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements. No specific courses required. **Note:** Students receiving the Deutschessprachdiplom II can receive transfer credit for GERM-1001(6).

## HOW TO APPLY

For details on application requirements and deadlines, and to apply online, please visit: **uwinnipeg.ca/apply** 

For more information contact a student recruitment officer at welcome@uwinnipeg.ca or 204.786.9844. In any case where the University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.

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