

GERMAN STUDIES

GERM-1001 (6) Introductory German (3 hrs Lecture | 1 hrs Lab) This course is designed for students who have no previous knowledge of German and who wish to acquire a command of the written and spoken language. Its main aim is to provide a solid base in vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation. Weekly oral practice classes and computer exercises supplement the course in order to give the student additional practice in the practical applications of the language.

Note: Students who have AP German Language, the IB in German, or the DSD II (Deutsches Sprachdiplom II) may apply for 6 transfer credits for GERM-1001 in lieu of taking the course. Students who speak German fluently should consult with the German Studies advisor before enrolling in this course.

Requisite Courses: GERM-1001L (lab) (must be taken concurrently).

GERM-2101 (3) Studies in German Culture I (3 hrs Lecture) This course offers a broad survey of cultural developments in German-speaking Europe from the Middle Ages to the Romantic period at the beginning of the 19th century, including developments in art, architecture, music, and the social/political background. Writings by authors such as Luther, Grimmshausen, Kant, Lessing, and Goethe will allow for discussion of themes and issues in the context of their times.

Cross-listed: HIST-2323(3), GERM-3101(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and GERM-3101 | HIST-2323.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-2102 (3) Studies in German Culture II (3 hrs Lecture) This course offers a broad survey of cultural developments in German-speaking Europe from the beginning of the 19th century to the present, including developments in art, architecture, music, and the social/political background. Writings by authors such as E.T.A. Hoffmann, Marx, Freud, Kafka, Brecht, and Christa Wolf will allow for discussion of themes and issues in the context of their times.

Cross-listed: HIST-2324(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and GERM-3102 | HIST-2324.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-2109 (3) Intermediate German (3 hrs Lecture | 1 hrs Lab) In this course, students review grammar essentials, expand their vocabulary, and improve their oral and written communication skills while becoming more familiar with the culture of the German speaking world. Weekly oral practice classes supplement the course in order to boost speaking and listening skills.

Requisite Courses: GERM-1001 or equivalent or permission of the instructor [prerequisite(s)]; GERM-2109L (lab) (must be taken concurrently).

GERM-2110 (3) Advanced German (3 hrs Lecture | 1 hrs Lab) In this course, students expand their vocabulary and

put their grammatical knowledge into use for reading and writing about the culture of the German-speaking world. In this context, they practice complex grammatical structures such as adjective endings, the passive voice, and the indirect discourse subjunctive. Weekly oral practice classes supplement the course in order to maintain speaking and listening skills.

Requisite Courses: GERM-1001 or equivalent or permission of the instructor [prerequisite(s)]; GERM-2110L (lab) (must be taken concurrently).

GERM-2115 (3) German-English Translation (3 hrs Lecture) This course introduces the principles of written translation from German into English. Students translate short authentic German-language texts from a variety of sources including newspapers, magazines, and literature. Practical exercises focus on translation difficulties relating to English vocabulary, grammar, and style. Students can expect to improve their knowledge of German grammar, vocabulary and syntax.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-2202 (3) German Phonetics (3 hrs Lecture) This course presents the theory and practice of German phonetics and phonology, its practical applications (e.g., the use of pronunciation dictionaries), and material realizations in standard German. Some areas of theory covered include the physiology of speech, the International Phonetic Alphabet, as it relates to German, and phonetic transcription. Emphasis is placed on the relationship between pronunciation and orthography and on correcting the student's oral performance in German, including a study of intonation patterns in German.

Cross-listed: LING-2401(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and LING-2401.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-2209 (3) Introduction to German Literature (3 hrs Lecture) This survey of representative poems, short stories, and dramatic texts introduces students to significant authors of German literature since the 18th century such as Schiller, Goethe, Rilke, Kafka, Frisch, and Bachmann. It also introduces them to the study of literature: how to read, discuss, and interpret literary texts.

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and GERM-2207.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2110 or the former GERM-2001 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-2331 (3) History of Modern Germany (3 hrs Lecture) This survey of political, economic, social and cultural developments in Germany from the Holy Roman Empire to the Berlin Republic focuses on developments after the Congress of Vienna (1815), including the 1848 Revolution, Bismarck and German unification 1871, Wilhelmine Germany and imperialism, World War I, the Weimar Republic, Hitler and National Socialism, World War II and the Holocaust, the two Germanies in the Cold War, and

reunification in 1989/90. Major historiographical controversies and methods of interpreting and analyzing German history are examined through lectures, explication of primary sources and critical reading of secondary sources, group and class discussions, and films.

Cross-listed: HIST-2331(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and HIST-2331.

GERM-2386 (3) German Culture Through Film (3 hrs Lecture) This course 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. With the support of subtitles or captioning, guided exercises, and interpretive discussions, students develop their listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills while becoming more familiar with German experiences in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Some attention is given to German film terminology and the analysis of scenes. The course includes notable films by such directors as Joseph von Sternberg, Rainer Werner Fassbinder, Volker Schlöndorff, and Fatih Akin.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 or the former GERM-2001 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3101 (3) Studies in German Culture I (3 hrs Lecture) This course offers a broad survey of cultural developments in German-speaking Europe from the Middle Ages to the Romantic period at the beginning of the 19th century, including developments in art, architecture, music, and the social/political background. Writings by authors such as Luther, Grimmshausen, Kant, Lessing, and Goethe will allow for discussion of themes and issues in the context of their times. Students in GERM-3101 can expect longer and/or more in-depth assignments than students in GERM-2101.

Cross-listed: GERM-2101(3) and HIST-2323(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and GERM-2101 | HIST-2323.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3-credit hour course in 2000-level German Studies [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3102 (3) Studies in German Culture II (3 hrs Lecture) This course offers a broad survey of cultural developments in German-speaking Europe from the beginning of the 19th century to the present, including developments in art, architecture, music, and the social/political background. Writings by authors such as E. T. A. Hoffmann, Marx, Freud, Kafka, Brecht and Christa Wolf allow for discussion of themes and issues in the context of their times. Students in GERM-3102 can expect longer and/or more in-depth assignments than students in GERM-2102.

Cross-listed: HIST-2324(3), GERM-2102(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and GERM-2102 | HIST-2324.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3-credit hour course in 2000-level German Studies [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3103 (6) The German-Canadian Presence in Canadian History (3 hrs Lecture) This course will focus

upon the European origins of German-speaking immigrants to Canada, their settlement patterns and their social, political, and economic roles. In addition, the course will examine both the effects of international events upon the German-speaking population and their place in the Canadian cultural mosaic.

Note: Please see the Department of History for a specific course description.

Cross-listed: HIST-3560(6).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and HIST-3560 | HIST-3561.

GERM-3113 (3) Exploring Language and Society Through Texts (3 hrs Lecture) In this course students examine current events, social issues, and politics in the contemporary German-speaking world through the analysis and discussion of media sources. The course offers extensive reading practice and is designed for students who wish to improve their oral and written proficiency in German. Emphasis is placed on the acquisition of specialized vocabulary. Course work includes written compositions, oral presentations, debates, and discussions.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3 credit German Studies course at the 2000 level except GERM-2001 [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3401 (3) Business German (3 hrs Lecture) This course teaches students to communicate effectively in business situations. Course materials include situational texts reflecting business activities and covering a range of topics such as trade, telecommunications, computer technology, financial institutions, marketing, and advertising. The course is designed to expand language skills already acquired as well as to present the specialized vocabulary used in the business environment. It includes extensive exercises in vocabulary, comprehension, business writing, and correspondence.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3 credits German Studies course at the 2000 level [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3403 (3) German Lexicology (3 hrs Lecture) This course focuses on the German lexicon, its forms and formation. Students learn to distinguish different structural types of words (e.g., acronyms, derivatives), to identify their basic components (e.g., prefixes, suffixes), and to recognize the mechanisms involved in their formation. Through the study of synonyms and antonyms, students explore the semantic relationships between words. Course work emphasizes practical strategies for vocabulary enrichment and mastery.

Cross-listed: LING-3401(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and LING-3401.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3 credit hours in 2000-level German Studies course except GERM-2001(6) [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3404 (3) History of the German Language (3 hrs Lecture) This course traces the development of the German language from early Germanic to the present. It examines both the internal evolution of the German

language (its phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics) and the sociocultural and historical factors that influenced its development. Various linguistic documents illustrating the distinct features of German in different eras are studied.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3 credit hours in 2000-level German Studies [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3561 (3) German-Canadian Identity - Historical Perspectives (3 hrs Lecture) This lecture/seminar course will explore questions of ethnic identity, using the example of German Canadians. While students will develop their individual research projects related to the broader issue of ethnicity, class discussion will focus on the historical presence of German speakers in Canada, their settlement patterns, their relationship to political culture and the Canadian state, and perceptions and self-images of German Canadians.

Note: A knowledge of German is not required.

Cross-listed: HIST-3561(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and HIST-3560 | HIST-3561.

GERM-3858 (3) The Acquisition of German as an Additional Language (3 hrs Lecture) In this course students explore the learning and teaching of German as an additional language. Students learn about the process of language acquisition based on the example of German and their own language learning. Students examine how this knowledge can be used for teaching German as an additional language. Topics might include child language acquisition, and theories, techniques and practices of adult second language acquisition.

Cross-listed: LING-3405(3).

Restrictions: Students may not hold credit for this course and LING-3405.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3 credit hours in 2000-level German Studies courses [prerequisite(s)].

GERM-3910 (3) Special Topics in German Studies (3 hrs Tutorial) In this tutorial, students explore a topic in German literature or linguistics under the direction of a professor.

Note: This course may be repeated for credit when the topic varies.

Restrictions: Instructor Permission Required.

Requisite Courses: GERM-2109 or GERM-2110 and any 3-credit hours in 2000-level German Studies courses [prerequisite(s)].