

In all 100-level language courses, students may not enroll in a course at a lower level once they have completed a more advanced-level course.

GER 101/German for Beginners I
(fall)

1 course unit

An introduction to spoken and written German, emphasizing the four skills of comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Prepares student for situations which may be encountered in German-speaking countries. Audio-visual aids and videotapes are used regularly. Completion of listening exercises and recitation/conversation hours to improve comprehension and oral proficiency are required. Students with four or more years of high school study in German will not receive credit for 101.

GER 102/German for Beginners II
(every semester)

1 course unit

An introduction to spoken and written German, emphasizing the four skills of comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Prepares student for situations which may be encountered in German-speaking countries. Audio-visual aids and videotapes are used regularly. Completion of listening exercises and recitation/conversation hours to improve comprehension and oral proficiency are required.

GER 103/German for Beginners III
(every semester)

1 course unit

An introduction to spoken and written German, emphasizing the four skills of comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Prepares student for situations which may be encountered in German-speaking countries. Audio-visual aids and videotapes are used regularly. Completion of listening exercises and recitation/conversation hours to improve comprehension and oral proficiency are required.

GER 201/Intermediate German I
(occasionally)

1 course unit

Prerequisite: GER 103 or placement in 200-level course

Improves the student's ability to speak, read, and write German using short stories, magazines and newspaper articles, and discussions of current trends in the cultures of German-speaking countries. Vocabulary-building and writing are emphasized, as well as a review and broadening of grammar. Recitation/conversation hours to improve comprehension and oral proficiency are required.

GER 202/Introduction To German Literature
(occasionally)

1 course unit

Prerequisite: GER 103 or placement in 200-level course

This course provides an introduction to German literature through close readings of selected literary texts in German. Emphasis is given to the development of an active and passive vocabulary to arrive at a fuller understanding of a literary text. Genres analyzed in the course include novel, short story, drama, and poetry.

GER 203/German Grammar Review
(occasionally)

1 course unit

Prerequisite: GER 103 or placement in 200-level course

This course provides an in-depth and comprehensive review of German grammar focusing on the salient points of the language. It includes communicative activities through learner-generated exchanges of information, experiences, and opinions. (Listening exercises required.)

GER 216/Current Events in the German-Speaking World
(occasionally)

1 course unit

Prerequisites: GER 103 or placement in a 200-level course.

Students taking this course will improve their language skills by reading and discussing newspaper and magazine articles about contemporary Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. They will develop an in-depth knowledge of the present cultural, economic, and political situations of the countries of the German-speaking world, as well as gaining insight into the histories of these countries.

GER 255/Business German

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Prerequisite: GER 203 or permission of instructor

This course is designed for advanced students interested in becoming acquainted with the more specific language of German business and at the same time improving the communication skills acquired in previous German courses. The focus will be on the terminology of German business as well as practices and cultural customs of the German-speaking business world. This course is open to students interested in economic issues, whether or not they have prior knowledge in this field. Language laboratory and recitation/conversation hours to improve comprehension and oral proficiency are required.

GER 370/Topics in German

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Focuses on a different topic every time it is offered. Recitation/conversation hour is required.

GER 391/Independent Study in German

variable course units

(every semester)

Study of a topic related to German language, literature or culture selected after consultation between student and instructor.

Semester/Year Abroad in Frankfurt, Germany

variable course units

This program will provide all participants with an intensive study of the German language, and help them gain an appreciation of the country's culture. It will also impart an awareness and understanding of the economic, social, and cultural reality of modern Germany. Most courses are taught in German. Two courses every other semester are taught by faculty from The College of New Jersey. Credit for all courses taken are transferred and thus offer a unique opportunity to earn college credit in a German university setting. This program allows time for travel, excursions and other extracurricular activities. Course offerings in German include language courses at different levels. Inquiries should be directed to the Department of Modern Languages—German section.