German

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The study of German begins with a two-semester sequence depending on the student’s previous experience with the language. Students with two or more years of high school foreign language experience and who wish to continue that same language at Hanover MUST take the placement test administered by the Department of Modern Languages before enrolling in a language course. Students of German can place into 116, 217, 218 or above 218. Students who place into 116 in German have the option of taking 115 for credit.

Failure to follow the appropriate sequence may jeopardize receipt of credit.

By-pass credit opportunity. Students who place directly into 218 and who earn a grade of B or better for the course will receive credit for 217 upon application to the Registrar. In order to fulfill the LADR, these students must take an advanced level course after completing 218. Students who place above 218 and who subsequently enroll in an advanced level course and earn a grade of B or better will receive credit for the appropriate prerequisite course upon application to the Registrar. In order to fulfill the LADR, these students must take a second advanced level course.

Major: German courses – 218, 235, 431, 457 or 471 (culminating experience), four others, not including 115, 116, 217.
Cognate course – Either His 246 or His 247.
Comprehensive evaluation, with passing grade. Total of 8 major courses, plus 1 cognate = 9.

Minor: German courses – 218, 235, two others, not including 115, 116, 217.
Cognate course – Either His 246 or His 247. Total of 4 minor courses, plus 1 cognate = 5.

Majors and minors are encouraged to participate in an off-campus study program in a German-speaking area if at all possible.

Ger 115. Beginning German I. An introduction to basic modes of communication in the target language. Emphasis is on everyday language while developing speaking, listening, reading and writing as well as introducing culture(s) of the target language.
Ger 116. Beginning German II. A continuation of German 115. Prerequisite: Ger 115 or placement into 116.
Ger 217. Intermediate German. Reinforcement and expansion of grammatical and phonological patterns. Emphasis given to developing speaking, listening, reading and writing skills as well as study of culture(s) of the target language. Prerequisite: Ger 116 or placement into 217.
Ger 218. Advanced Intermediate German. Advanced study involving expansion and synthesis of knowledge and understanding of the target language and its culture(s). Prerequisite: Ger 217 or placement into 218.

Old General Degree Requirement descriptions indicating the last semester offered:
Ger 111, 112. Beginning German I, II. A two-term introduction to German for students who have never studied the language (111 last offered fall 2002, 112 last offered winter term 2003).
Ger 113, 213. Continuing German I, II. A two-term course of German for students with previous study of the language. Placement by examination. (113 last offered fall term 2002, 213 last offered winter term 2003).

Ger 211. Intermediate German. Comprehensive structural review. Prerequisite: 112 or placement by examination. (211 last offered fall term 2002).

Ger 220. Advanced Language in the Cultural Context. Advanced language study with emphasis on the development of written and oral expression on cultural topics. Prerequisite: 211, 213, or placement. Satisfies GDR V.C. (220 last offered winter term 2003.)

Ger 221. Advanced Language in the Literary Context. Advanced language study with emphasis on comprehension and analysis of a variety of texts reflecting the various literary styles, forms, genres, and sub-genres. Prerequisite: 211, 213, or placement. (221 last offered fall term 01.)

Ger 160. Special Topics.

Ger 227. Off-Campus German Conversation in a Contemporary Context. Conducted in a German-speaking country. Intensive work in oral expression, focusing on practical situations and contemporary issues, by means of a variety of texts. Prerequisite: successful completion of old Ger 211, old 213 or new 217 and permission of instructor. Ger 218 is recommended. After taking Ger 227, Ger 228 cannot be taken for credit. Ger 227 may be repeated once for credit.

Ger 228. On-Campus German Conversation in a Contemporary Context. Intensive work in oral expression, focusing on practical situations and contemporary issues, by means of a variety of texts. Prerequisite: successful completion of old Ger 211, old 213 or new 217 and permission of instructor. Ger 218 is recommended. May precede Ger 227, but may not be taken for credit after Ger 227.

Ger 230. German Culture and Civilization. Discussion and presentation of the social, economic, political and geographic structures of contemporary Germany, Austria and Switzerland, as well as general study of these countries’ artistic expression through the centuries. Prerequisite: Ger 218.

Ger 231. Business German. German for commerce and economics, industry and labor, import and export, transportation systems, banking, and marketing. Builds reading, speaking, and writing skills, using contemporary economics and business texts and conventions. Prerequisite: Ger 218.

Ger 235. Stylistics and Composition. An advanced study and written application of grammar and strategies that teach students to speak and write more idiomatically, as well as to read more fluently. Required for majors and minors. Prerequisite: Ger 218 or placement, or special permission.

Ger 242. Masterpieces of German Literature (in Translation). Major works of German-speaking authors are examined against the background of the socio-political history of Germany, Austria and Switzerland. No prerequisite.

His 246. German History from the Beginnings to World War I. See History listing.

His 247. German History from 1945 to the Present. See History listing.

The following courses are limited to students who have taken old Ger 220, old Ger 221 or new Ger 218 or who have been placed there through a placement examination administered by Hanover College. Acceptance into one of these courses without 218 requires SPECIAL PERMISSION of the instructor. All readings, discussions, and compositions are in German. Ger 325, 327, and 431 satisfy General Degree Requirement II.B.

Ger 260. Special Topics.

Ger 307. Directed Study. 50 unit.
**Ger 325. 19th-Century German Literature.** Study of representative prose and drama of romanticism, realism, and naturalism.

**Ger 327. 20th-Century German Literature.** Study of major novelists, short story writers and playwrights from German-speaking Europe.

**Ger 357. Internship.** Off-campus supervised experience in German.

**Ger 360. Special Topics.**

**Ger 370. Directed Study.** One unit.

**Ger 431. The German Middle Ages and the Renaissance.** Survey of German literature from A.D. 1200 to 1700.

**Ger 457. Academic Internship as the Culminating Experience.**

**Ger 471. Independent Study.** Each student will choose a topic, carry out the necessary research and write an extensive paper in German.