

***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.***

## **German**

### **GER 101/German for Beginners I** **1 course unit** (fall)

An introduction to spoken and written German, emphasizing the four skills of comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. It prepares student for situations which may be encountered in German-speaking countries. Visual media are routinely incorporated to enhance instruction. Oral Proficiency Class is 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** **1 course unit** (every semester)

An introduction to spoken and written German, emphasizing the four skills of comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. It prepares student for situations which may be encountered in German-speaking countries. Visual media are routinely incorporated to enhance instruction. Oral Proficiency Class is required.

### **GER 103/German for Beginners III** **1 course unit** (every semester)

An introduction to spoken and written German, emphasizing the four skills of comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. It prepares student for situations which may be encountered in German-speaking countries. Visual media are routinely incorporated to enhance instruction. Oral Proficiency Class is required.

### **GER 171/The Contemporary German-Speaking World (In English)** **1 course unit** (fall or spring)

This course is an interdisciplinary survey course that does not require any knowledge of German. Students will learn about German culture, establish connections with other disciplines such as history, sociology, film studies, and literature, and gain a nuanced understanding of the social practices and expectations of native speakers of different varieties of German within their own speech communities. Students will develop and practice critical thinking skills in analyzing stereotypical ideas of people in German-speaking cultures. Students with German-language expertise may opt to take the course for LAC (Language Across the Curriculum) credit with readings and papers in German.

### **GER 201/Intermediate German I** **1 course unit** (occasionally)

*Prerequisite:* GER 103 or placement in 200-level course

This course improves the student's ability to speak, read, and write German using short stories, magazines, 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. Oral Proficiency Class is required.

### **GER 202/Introduction to German Literature** **1 course unit** (occasionally)

*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** **1 course unit**  
(occasionally)

*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. Oral Proficiency Class is required.

**GER 216/Current Events in the German-Speaking World** **1 course unit**  
(occasionally)

*Prerequisite:* GER 103 or placement in a 200-level course

This course improves students' language skills by reading and discussing newspaper and magazine articles about contemporary Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Students 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 gain insight into the histories of these countries.

**GER 223/Experiential Learning** **.5 course unit**  
(occasionally)

*Prerequisite:* One 200-level course in German or permission of instructor

This course provides students with an opportunity to improve their German by using it in a German speaking workplace (whether in the United States or in a German speaking culture), in the context of a commercial enterprise, government agency, political office, non-profit agency or other work environment in which German is spoken.

**GER 255/Business German** **1 course unit**  
(occasionally)

*Prerequisite:* GER 103 or placement in a 200-level course

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.

**GER 270/Intermediate Topics in German** **1 course unit**  
(occasionally)

*Prerequisite:* One 200-level course in German or permission of instructor

This course provides an examination of specialized topics at the intermediate level in German. May be repeated for credit if content differs.

**GER 370/Topics in German** **1 course unit**  
(occasionally)

This course focuses on a different topic each time it is offered. May be repeated for credit. Oral Proficiency Class is required.

**GER 391/Independent Study in German** **variable course units**  
(every semester)

This course provides a 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 provides all participants with an intensive study of the German language and helps 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 TCNJ. Credits 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 World Languages and Cultures—German section.