

German Language Certificate

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Overview

The certificate demonstrates proficiency in German above the level of the German minor. It prepares students for international careers, internationally recognized proficiency exams (Zertifikat Deutsch Fremdsprache and Zertifikat Deutsch für den Beruf) and internship programs in German-speaking countries.

There are two tracks for the German Certificate: one for liberal arts and one for professional purposes. In both tracks, students must earn 18 credits in German beyond GER 0002 Elementary German 2. Nine credits may be transferred from study abroad programs in German-speaking countries to count toward the total credits.

Requirements

The following courses apply to the certificate and should be taken in sequence as listed. Courses noted by an asterisk (*) must be passed or better before taking any course in German at the 1000 level.

German for the Liberal Arts

GER 0003 Intermediate German 1*

GER 0004 Intermediate German 2**

Two 1000-level courses in the Department of German; students may not take both GER 1001 and GER 1003

One 1100-level course in the Department of German

One 1200 to 1400-level course in the Department of German

German for Professional Purposes

GER 0003 Intermediate German 1*

GER 0004 Intermediate German 2**

GER 1003 German for Professional Purposes 1*

GER 1004 German for Professional Purposes 2**

Two additional courses at the 1000 or 1100 level

GER 1001, GER 1003, GER 1004, and GER 1103 do not fulfill this requirement.

Grade Requirements

A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required in each course that counts toward the certificate.

Satisfactory/No Credit Option

No course that counts toward the certificate can be taken on an S/NC basis unless the student received special permission from the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Students interested in the certificate should contact the Director of Undergraduate Studies, Professor Clark Muenzer