

# GERMAN (GERM)

German is the most widely spoken language in Europe, and Germany plays a leading role in a number of areas: EU and global trade and policy, fine arts, alternative energy and sustainability, engineering, philosophy. With their rich cultural and intellectual history, as well as one of the world's primary export-driven economies, the German-speaking countries offer unique career opportunities for globally minded students and citizens.

## Summer Study in Berlin, Germany

The UNH German Program manages a summer program in Berlin, Germany. During their study in Berlin, students can earn between 4 and 12 credits. The program provides students with an immersion experience in the German language and culture. Students receive language instruction at the appropriate level (elementary, intermediate, or advanced) at the BSI Private Language School in central Berlin. No prior German language study is required. On designated weekday afternoons, students participate in cultural excursions and discussions with the on-site UNH faculty member. Through the UNH Berlin summer program, students receive UNH credit and can fulfill the World Cultures Discovery requirement. In line with UNH's goals to educate students to become global citizens, this immersion program gives students insight into what it means to experience a different culture and language. For more information, contact [Charles Vannette](#) or visit the [COLA Center for Study Abroad](#).

## Other Programs

The University allows students to attend approved [study abroad](#) programs for UNH credit at schools in Germany and Austria. Students may attend accredited one- or two-semester programs at universities in cities like Munich, Vienna, Berlin, Heidelberg, Freiburg or Salzburg. Most study abroad programs require a minimum of two years of college German. For details, see the coordinator of German or the foreign studies coordinator at the [UNH Global Education Center](#). Internships with a German firm or organization may also be taken for credit (see [GERM 595 Internship](#) (p. 1)). Internships must be approved ahead of time in collaboration with an advisor in the German program. Financial aid applies to all approved programs.

<https://cola.unh.edu/languages-literatures-cultures>

## Programs

- [German Major \(B.A.\)](#)
- [German Minor](#)

## Courses

### German (GERM)

#### GERM 401 - Elementary German I

**Credits:** 4

For students without previous training in German. Aural comprehension, speaking, writing, reading in a cultural context. No credit for those with two or more years of German in secondary school.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

#### GERM 402 - Elementary German II

**Credits:** 4

See description for GERM 401.

**Attributes:** Foreign Language Requirement

**Prerequisite(s):** GERM 401 with a minimum grade of D-

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

#### GERM 503 - Intermediate German I

**Credits:** 4

Review of grammar; practice in oral and written expression; readings and cultural material. Labs.

**Attributes:** World Cultures(Discovery); Foreign Language Requirement

**Prerequisite(s):** GERM 402 with a minimum grade of D-

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

#### GERM 504 - Intermediate German II

**Credits:** 4

Review of grammar; practice in oral and written expression; readings and cultural material. Labs.

**Attributes:** World Cultures(Discovery); Foreign Language Requirement

**Prerequisite(s):** GERM 503 with a minimum grade of D-

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

#### GERM #521 - Major German Authors in English

**Credits:** 4

Selected masterpieces of the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries by authors such as Goethe, Mann, Kafka, Hesse, Bachmann, Koeppen, Brecht, Frisch, Wolf, and Durrenmatt. Readings and discussions in English. May be taken for major or minor credit.

**Attributes:** Humanities(Disc)

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

#### GERM 525 - Introduction to German Culture and Civilization

**Credits:** 4

Aspects of the political, social, and cultural life of Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Conducted in English. Strongly recommended for any students planning study abroad in a German-speaking country. Required for the major, can be taken for the minor.

**Attributes:** World Cultures(Discovery); Inquiry (Discovery)

**Equivalent(s):** GERM 525H

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

#### GERM 586 - Study in Berlin

**Credits:** 0-8

Gives students an immersion experience in the German language and culture. Students will study 5 weeks in Berlin, where they will take an intensive language course (80 hours) at the BSI Private Language School, receive cultural instruction from the on-site UNH faculty member, and pursue an individual research project.

**Co-requisite:** INCO 589

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**Special Fee:** Yes

#### GERM 631W - Advanced Communications Skills I

**Credits:** 4

Intensive practice in vocabulary building and developing a sense of appropriate style for various contexts of oral and written communication. Discussion and writing on topics of current interest, written and oral reports, role play, and simulation of everyday situations, reinforced by written work.

**Attributes:** Writing Intensive Course; Foreign Language Requirement

**Prerequisite(s):** GERM 504 with a minimum grade of D-

**Equivalent(s):** GERM 631, GERM 631H

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**GERM 632 - Advanced Communications Skills II**

**Credits:** 4

Intensive practice in vocabulary building and coherent expression in a variety of stylistic contexts. Special emphasis on writing skills, from expository prose to letter and resume writing, essays, journalistic reports, and creative writing, focusing on topics of current interest. Required for the German major.

**Attributes:** Foreign Language Requirement

**Prerequisite(s):** GERM 504 with a minimum grade of D-.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**GERM 728 - Modern German Literature**

**Credits:** 4

Major literary movements from 1872 to 1945. Reading and analysis of selected works. Conducted in German.

**Attributes:** Writing Intensive Course

**Equivalent(s):** GERM 728H

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**GERM 732 - Public Discourse and Current Affairs**

**Credits:** 4

Conducted in German. Public discourse and current affairs in German speaking societies. Analysis and interpretation of various media and contemporary events. Refinement of writing and stylistics with particular focus on grammatical accuracy and advanced composition.

**Attributes:** Writing Intensive Course

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**GERM #738 - Contemporary German Theater**

**Credits:** 4

Course taught in German. Students study German drama from academic and aesthetic perspectives. Students read original plays and selections from plays, followed by attendance at live performances within Germany. With the support of secondary sources, including theoretical and historical texts, students discuss and analyze the performance of these works. Of primary concern to us will be issues of Bühnentechnik (stage technology), Beleuchtung (lighting), Kostume (costumes), Musik (music), Bewegung (movement), Stimme (voice), Regie (direction), and Realismus (realism).

**Attributes:** FinePerformingArts(Discovery)

**Prerequisite(s):** GERM 632 with a minimum grade of D-.

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**GERM 797 - Special Studies in German Language and Literature**

**Credits:** 4

Selected topics in language, culture, and literature. Conducted in German. May be repeated barring duplication of subject.

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated up to unlimited times.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

**GERM 798 - Special Studies in German Language and Literature**

**Credits:** 4

Selected topics in language, culture, and literature. Conducted in German. May be repeated barring duplication of subject.

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated up to unlimited times.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

## Faculty