

Framework Curriculum

Course: German Studies IIA

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Course Number	SLL 2062F
Course Description Teaching and Learning Outcomes	<p>This course offers an intermediate approach to German as a Foreign Language and German Studies and an introduction to German Literary Studies. The course consists of three modules. The language module aims to enable students to use German independently with familiar topics allowing them to understand and express opinions. The conversation module aims to foster the acquisition of German in a communicative context. The literature module provides an introduction to various periods of German literature by focussing on selected literary genres, and active work with texts. Throughout this course, students will reflect on selected cultural patterns. Based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), level B1 is aimed for.</p> <p>After successfully completing this course, students will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. understand German on an intermediate level; 2. actively apply grammar and structures of German language in oral and written contexts; 3. employ complex sentence structures; 4. use an intermediate selection of German vocabulary and collocations; 5. hold conversations, both written and oral, and be able to describe experiences, dreams, hopes and goals, and briefly give reasons or explanations for plans and views; 6. be acquainted with different periods of German literature and selected literary genres; 7. read, understand, and analyse selected literary texts and practise selected reading; 8. mediate a variety of texts and employ different methods and resources for translation; 9. produce simple coherent texts on familiar topics and areas of personal interest, as well as on literary topics and texts; 10. reflect on language acquisition and their learning progression.
Course Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● one semester / two quarters ● offered in the winter term / first semester of each academic year
Entrance Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● successful completion of: SLL 1063S (German IB) ● If the student has prior experience of learning German, please contact the German Section Head to arrange a placement test.

Modules Forms of Teaching and Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● lecture <i>Sprache und Themen (language and topics)</i>, 3 hours weekly ● lecture <i>Literatur (literature)</i>, 2 hours weekly ● practical <i>Konversation (conversation class)</i>, 1 hour weekly
Module Descriptions	<p>Sprache und Themen (language and topics): This module aims to build on the knowledge acquired during the first academic year. In doing so, learned grammar and structures should be consolidated and actively applied. The aim of the first semester of German II is to expand on previously learned grammar and vocabulary, and to complete CEFR B1 level.</p> <p>Literatur (literature): The literature module provides an overview of epochs and genres of German literature as well as to teach a basic approach to reading, understanding, and analysing literary texts.</p> <p>Konversation (conversation): This module aims to provide students with a platform where they can actively apply German language structures. Focus is on improving the students' conversational competence, while developing basic presentation skills amongst others.</p>
Assessment	<p>The course grade is weighted as follows: 40% course work 40% two-hour written exam 20% oral exam</p> <p>The assessment consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● assignments ● term tests ● short essays ● written and oral exams
Materials	<p>Textbook: DaF kompakt neu A1 - B1 (Kursbuch)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● authors: Birgit Braun, Margit Doubek, Nadja Fügert, and others ● publisher: Klett (Stuttgart) ● ISBN: 978-3-12-676310-3