Courses

GER 400. German For Reading. 3 or 4 hours.
Preparation for the Graduate Proficiency Exam. Basic components of German grammar, sentence structure, and vocabulary. Selected texts in humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Credit may not be applied toward a degree or minor offered by the Department of Germanic Studies. Does not satisfy the graduation requirement in foreign languages.

GER 401. Research in German Studies. 3 or 4 hours.
Capstone course with focus on research in a variety of areas under the umbrella of German Studies. Individual research projects and focused analysis of visual, written and oral texts. Advanced training in German language skills. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours for undergraduates, or 0 hours for graduate students. Majors and minors outside the Department of Germanic Studies may repeat this course to a maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisite(s): GER 211 or GER 212 or the equivalent. Recommended background: Credit or concurrent registration in GER 310.

GER 404. Yiddish For Reading. 3 or 4 hours.
Preparation for the Graduate Proficiency Exam. Basic components of Yiddish grammar, sentence structure, and vocabulary. Selected texts in the original language will be studied. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Does not satisfy the graduation requirement in foreign languages. Prerequisite(s): GER 211 or GER 212 or the equivalent, or consent of the instructor.

GER 408. Intro Translation Theory. 3 or 4 hours.
The study of translation theory and its application to translating German texts of various types into English. Appropriate for students who want to become translators. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Area: language. Prerequisite(s): GER 211 or GER 212 or the equivalent, or graduate standing.

GER 411. The City as Cultural Focus. 3 or 4 hours.
Interdisciplinary study of urban culture with focus on German-speaking countries. Course Information: Same as CEES 411. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 1 time(s). Taught in English. No knowledge of German required. Students who intend to use GER 411 toward a degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies do not have to complete the degree in the German Studies major. Area: urban studies. Prerequisite(s): For majors and minors in the Department of Germanic Studies, only: GER 212 or the equivalent, or consent of the instructor.

GER 415. Germanic Business Practices. 3 or 4 hours.
Extensive practice in the writing of business correspondence and formal presentations. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite(s): GER 315 or consent of the instructor.

GER 420. Ger Cult Studies 1: Genres. 3 or 4 hours.
Concentration on a genre, with stress on cultural analysis and theoretical inquiry. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 2 time(s) if topics vary. Students who intend to use GER 420 toward a degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies will do assignments in German. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): GER 212 or consent of the instructor.

GER 421. Ger Cult Studies 2: Auth, Mov, Per. 3 or 4 hours.
Critical analysis of texts in the biographical, social, cultural, and historical context. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 2 time(s) if topics vary. Students who intend to use GER 421 toward a degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies will do assignments in German. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): GER 212 or consent of the instructor.

GER 422. Ger Cult Studies 3: Themes. 3 or 4 hours.
Explores themes in German-speaking societies, such as the family, xenophobia, crime, and science, with stress on literary analysis and interpretation. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 2 time(s) if topics vary. Students who intend to use GER 422 toward a degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies will do assignments in German. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): GER 212 or consent of the instructor.

GER 430. Classical German Philosophy. 3 or 4 hours.
Introduction to German philosophy and intellectual history through the critical analysis of major authors and texts. Course Information: Same as CEES 430. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Taught in English. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): One 300-level course in Germanic Studies or consent of the instructor.

GER 437. Contemp Germanic Lit. 3 or 4 hours.
Literature of the German-speaking world since World War II, with emphasis on current issues and recent critical approaches to literature. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 1 time(s) if topics vary. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): GER 211 or the equivalent, or graduate standing or consent of the instructor.

GER 438. The Faust Legend. 3 or 4 hours.
Discusses Goethe's Faust within the context of European and non-European literatures. Traces the origins, significance, and interpretation of the Faust figure. Course Information: Same as CEES 438. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Taught in English. Area: literature/culture.

GER 439. Gender & Cultural Production. 3 or 4 hours.
Issues of gender representation and gender politics examined through the use of theoretical texts or through the study of women authors. Course Information: Same as CEES 439 and GWS 439. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 1 time(s) if topics vary. Taught in English. Students who intend to use GER 439 toward a degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies will do assignments in German. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): GER 212 or consent of the instructor.

GER 448. Second Lang Teaching. 3 or 4 hours.
Provides an introduction to second language acquisition research and its implications for communicative language teaching. Emphasis is on creating activities to develop high school students' communicative abilities in speaking and listening. Course Information: Same as FR 448 and SPAN 448. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Taught in English. Prerequisite(s): Junior standing or above; and consent of the instructor and three courses at the 200 and 300 levels.

GER 449. Second Lang Literacy. 3 or 4 hours.
Examines the nature of literacy as a reciprocal relationship between readers, writers, texts and culture. Students learn the practical and theoretical foundations of classroom teaching of second language reading and writing skills. Course Information: Same as FR 449, and SPAN 449. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Taught in English. Prerequisite(s): Junior standing or above; and consent of the instructor and three courses at the 200 and 300 levels.
GER 450. Ger Business Operations. 3 or 4 hours.
The political, cultural, historical, and economic environment in which business operates in the German-speaking countries; the effects of this environment on international business. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Knowledge of German not required.

GER 461. German Abroad. 0-17 hours.
Taken in a German-speaking country. Lectures, seminars, and practical work in German language, literature, and civilization. Course Information: May be repeated to a maximum of 34 hours. Prerequisite(s): GER 104 or the equivalent, a 2.75 overall grade point average, a 3.00 grade point average in Germanic Studies, and approval of the department.

GER 470. Explore Germanic Studies. 3 or 4 hours.
Team-taught. Research in film studies, gender studies, Jewish culture, minorities, literary studies, intellectual history, applied linguistics in Germanic Studies. Each unit taught by a different faculty member from Department of Germanic Studies. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite(s): Undergraduate students must obtain approval of the department.

GER 480. Hegel Studies. 3 or 4 hours.
Studies in the philosophy of Hegel, including principal texts (e.g. Phenomenology), or problems (e.g. critique of metaphysics) or comparative studies (e.g. Hegel's critique of Kant). Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary. Taught in English. Area: literature/culture. Prerequisite(s): GER 430; or consent of the instructor. Recommended background: PHIIL 224 or PHIIL 425.

GER 487. Comp Asst Lang Learning (CALL). 3 or 4 hours.
An introduction to computer assisted language learning (CALL): the use of computer technology in second language reading and research. The effectiveness of CALL technology is assessed based on SLA theory and research studies. Course Information: Same as LING 487 and SPAN 487. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Taught in English. Extensive computer use required. Prerequisite(s): LING 483 or CIE 483 or GER 448 or FR 448 or SPAN 448 or GER 449 or FR 449 or SPAN 449; or SPAN 502 or FR 502 or the equivalent; and senior standing or above.

GER 492. Intl Business Internship. 0-12 hours.
Student placement in an international organization or firm in a German-speaking country or its U.S. subsidiary or division. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated with approval. Approval to repeat course granted by the department. Prerequisite(s): GER 211; and consent of the instructor and a GPA of 2.00. Recommended background: Concurrent registration in GER 493 or registration in GER 493 in the semester immediately following.

GER 493. Internship Seminar: Business. 1-4 hours.
Academic component of the internship experience. Studies in the field of the internship and further investigation of related topics. Course Information: May be repeated with approval. Approval to repeat course granted by the department. A maximum of 3 hours of credit may be applied toward an undergraduate degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies, and a maximum of 4 hours of credit may be applied toward a graduate degree offered by the Department of Germanic Studies. Prerequisite(s): GER 211 and credit or concurrent registration in GER 492 and consent of the instructor and a grade point average of 2.00.

GER 494. Educ Pract w/Seminar 1. 6 hours.
The first half of a two-segment sequence of practice teaching, including seminar, to meet certification requirements for teaching in grades six through twelve. Course Information: Graduate credit only with approval of the department. Prerequisite(s): Good academic standing in a teacher education program, completion of 100 clock hours of pre-student-teaching field experiences, and approval of the department. Class Schedule Information: To be properly registered, students must enroll in one Lecture-Discussion and one Practice.

GER 495. Educ Pract w/Seminar II. 6 hours.
The second half of a two-segment sequence of practice teaching, including seminar, to meet certification requirements for teaching in grades six through twelve. Course Information: Graduate credit only with approval of the department. Prerequisite(s): Good academic standing in a teacher education program, completion of 100 clock hours of pre-student-teaching field experiences, credit or concurrent registration in GER 494, and approval of the department. Class Schedule Information: To be properly registered, students must enroll in one Conference and one Practice.

GER 513. Ger Culture To 1848. 4 hours.
Representative works and authors studied in a cultural context. Course Information: May be repeated if topics vary.

GER 514. Ger Culture 1848-Present. 4 hours.
Representative works and authors are studied in a cultural context. Course Information: May be repeated if topics vary.

GER 515. Film And Media Culture. 4 hours.
Explores the theory and history of film and other visual media. Emphasis will be given to the status of media texts in their cultural contexts, as well as to their function as components of modern social institutions. Course Information: Same as CEES 515. Taught in English. Students will be asked to watch films outside of class.

GER 531. Seminar In Special Topics. 4 hours.
In-depth study of a theme, genre or other element in Germanic literature and culture not confined to a single historical period. Topics vary. Course Information: May be repeated to a maximum of 16 hours if topics vary.

GER 540. Contemp Germanic Literature. 4 hours.
Representations of German culture and society after 1989 in cinematic and related literary texts, studied in the context of major scholarly and public discussions. Course Information: May be repeated for a maximum of 8 hours of credit if topics vary.

GER 550. German Literary Studies. 4 hours.
Theory and practice of the analysis of different genres of literary texts, different theoretical approaches to literature and discussion of literature in the context of literary historical and aesthetic perspectives. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): Advanced German language proficiency.

GER 572. Second Lang Acquisition. 4 hours.
Analyzes current theoretical and research directions in text comprehension processes as well as reading as a source of input for second language acquisition. Course Information: Taught in English.

GER 593. Academic Internship. 4 hours.
Training in instruction of literature and culture courses at the college level. Students will be involved in a faculty-taught course/literature course. Course Information: Restricted to graduate students in Germanic studies. Class Schedule Information: Students will attend the faculty-taught course/literature class. To be properly registered, students must enroll in one Conference and one Discussion/Recitation.
GER 596. Independent Study Grad. 1-4 hours.
Independent study in the field of germanic studies. Course Information:
Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

GER 598. MA Thesis Research. 0-16 hours.
Independent research under faculty supervision on a topic approved by
the Graduate Program Committee. Course Information: Satisfactory/
Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Consent of
supervising faculty member and committee approval.

Independent research for the Ph.D. Course Information: Satisfactory/
Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Approval
of the department and consent of the instructor.