

German

GERMAN – GRMAN

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Possible career opportunities

The study of German can open up opportunities in communications, foreign trade and banking, transportation, government, the Foreign Service, tourism, library services, teaching, professional translating, journalism, and all levels of education, including university teaching. Most foreign language careers require more than two years of study.

Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes are subject to change. The most current list of program learning outcomes for each program is published on the DVC website at www.dvc.edu/slo.

**Associate in arts degree
German**

Students completing the program will be able to...

- A. communicate verbally in the target language with accurate pronunciation in meaningful situation present in both informal and formal contexts.
- B. effectively apply rules of grammar and syntax in tandem with appropriate vocabulary in written and oral communication.
- C. demonstrate auditory comprehension of instruction, authentic content, and purposeful conversations in the target language.
- D. discuss, describe, and infer information from authentic texts in the target language.
- E. demonstrate cultural appreciation by making (comparative) connections, on both an individual and societal level, between the target cultures and students' own culture.
- F. create (write or present) narratives and/or arguments that demonstrate cohesive critical thinking in the target language.

The associate in arts degree in German at DVC will provide students with skills in understanding, speaking, reading and writing German. It also gives students a greater understanding of German culture and civilization and will prepare them for a broad range of international and domestic career opportunities and professions. The degree will also provide students the opportunity to transfer to UC, CSU and other four-year colleges and universities to earn a bachelor's degree.

The DVC German major is intended for transfer. Students who intend to transfer must consult with a program advisor or counselor to ensure that the requirements for transfer to baccalaureate-granting institutions of their choice are met. Students who intend to transfer are advised to select General Education Option 2 (IGETC) or Option 3 (CSUGE). Option 1 (DVC General Education) is appropriate for those students who do not intend to transfer. Students may not take a credit/no credit option for major courses and each of the major requirements must be completed with a "C" grade or higher. Certain courses may satisfy both a major and a general education requirement; however, the units are counted only once.

To earn an associate in arts degree in German, students must complete 20 units from the list of major requirements, which will provide students with the essential grammar of the language, culture and basic literature of the German-speaking countries. Students with no previous knowledge of German when entering DVC will take the first four courses in the list for a total of 20 units. If students enter the program with previous knowledge of German, they may start at the second term level and take fifth and sixth terms to achieve a total of 21 units.

<i>complete at least 20 units from:</i>		<i>units</i>
GRMAN-120	First Term German	5
GRMAN-121	Second Term German	5
GRMAN-220	Third Term German	5
GRMAN-221	Fourth Term German.....	5
GRMAN-230	Fifth Term German	3
GRMAN-231	Sixth Term German	3
total minimum units for the major		20

**Certificate of achievement
German**

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This certificate of achievement was created to give students the opportunity to show potential employers in this country and in other countries that the student has completed a certain number of courses in German and prepares students with an intermediate to advanced knowledge of German and familiarizes them with the culture of the German-speaking world.

This certificate of achievement provides students, prospective employers and others with documented evidence of persistence and academic accomplishment in the language. The certificate requires completion of at least 13 units from the following list of courses. Students may not take a credit/no credit option for required courses and each course must be completed with a "C" grade or higher.

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GRMAN-120 First Term German	5
GRMAN-121 Second Term German.....	5
GRMAN-220 Third Term German	5
GRMAN-221 Fourth Term German.....	5
GRMAN-230 Fifth Term German	3
GRMAN-231 Sixth Term German	3
total minimum required units	13

GRMAN-120 First Term German

- 5 units SC
- IGETC: 6A
 - 90 hours lecture per term
 - Note: This course is equivalent to two years of high school study.

This course provides an introduction to the German language and the culture of German-speaking countries. Topics include the four language skills: speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Emphasis is placed on active use of the language in class as well as basic communicative functions and structures. CSU, UC

GRMAN-121 Second Term German

- 5 units SC
- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
 - 90 hours lecture per term
 - Prerequisite: GRMAN-120 or two years of high school study or equivalent
 - Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the second course in a sequence of German language courses. The course continues skill building in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing of the German language. The expansion of vocabulary and more advanced communicative functions and structures, as well as a deeper examination of the cultures of German-speaking countries are emphasized. CSU, UC

GRMAN-150 Topics in German

- .3-4 units SC
- Variable hours

A supplemental course in German to provide a study of current concepts and problems in German and related subdivisions. Specific topics will be announced in the schedule of classes. CSU

GRMAN-220 Third Term German

- 5 units SC
- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
 - 90 hours lecture per term
 - Prerequisite: GRMAN-121 or three years of high school study or equivalent
 - Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the third term German course in the sequence that develops early intermediate fluency in understanding, speaking, reading and writing German. All verbal tenses are reviewed, expanded and refined. Advanced grammar concepts, new vocabulary and idiomatic expressions are introduced. Selected readings about the culture and literature of German speaking countries will be explored. This course is taught mainly in German. CSU, UC

GRMAN-221 Fourth Term German

- 5 units SC
- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
 - 90 hours lecture per term
 - Prerequisite: GRMAN-220 or four years of high school study or equivalent
 - Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the fourth term German course in the sequence that develops intermediate fluency in understanding, speaking, reading and writing German. The grammatical moods are reviewed and developed; the sequences of tenses are introduced. Additional vocabulary and idiomatic expressions are introduced and connected to the selected readings. These readings about German culture and literature will be analyzed. This course is taught mainly in German. CSU, UC

GRMAN-230 Fifth Term German

- 3 units SC
- IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III
 - 54 hours lecture per term
 - Prerequisite: GRMAN-221 or equivalent
 - Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the fifth term advanced German language course emphasizing reading, writing (prioritizing the mechanics of academic writing), listening, and speaking skills. The rich German heritage is explored through a wide range of materials including short stories, articles, poems, films, and documentaries. This course is taught almost entirely in German. CSU, UC

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GRMAN-231 Sixth Term German

3 units SC

- *IGETC: 3B, 6A; CSU GE: C2; DVC GE: III*
- *54 hours lecture per term*
- *Prerequisite: GRMAN-230 or equivalent*
- *Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.*

This is the sixth term advanced German language course strengthening reading, writing (prioritizing the mechanics of academic writing), listening, and speaking skills. The exploration of the rich German heritage is deepened through a wide range of materials including novels, articles, poems, films, documentaries, and dramas. This course is taught almost entirely in German. CSU, UC

GRMAN-299 Student Instructional Assistant

.5-3 units SC

- *Variable hours*
- *Note: Applications must be approved through the Instruction Office. Students must be supervised by a DVC instructor.*

Students work as instructional assistants, lab assistants and research assistants in this department. The instructional assistants function as group discussion leaders, meet and assist students with problems and projects, or help instructors by setting up laboratory or demonstration apparatus. Students may not assist in course sections in which they are currently enrolled. CSU