

GERMAN, CERTIFICATE

The certificate in German offers students the opportunity to develop proficiency in German, thereby complementing major(s) in other subjects across the university. It focuses on German language skills and advanced courses taught in German. It also strengthens the profiles of students who intend to pursue careers or graduate study in areas where knowledge of German is useful. The certificate in German is open to all undergraduate students, including University Special students who may already have completed majors and earned degrees.

HOW TO GET IN

To declare the Certificate in German, email or make an appointment with the undergraduate advisor for the program.

Students declared in the German major are not eligible to declare the Certificate in German.

REQUIREMENTS

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15 credits, which must include at least two courses in Advanced German.

Code	Title	Credits
Advanced GERMAN (2 courses required)		6
GERMAN 305	Literatur des 20. und 21. Jahrhunderts	
GERMAN 337	Advanced Composition & Conversation	
GERMAN 351	Introduction to German Linguistics	
GERMAN 352	Topics in German Linguistics	
GERMAN 362	Topics in German Literature	
GERMAN 367	Study Abroad in German Literature	
GERMAN 368	Study Abroad in German Culture	
GERMAN 369	Study Abroad in German Linguistics	
GERMAN 372	Topics in German Culture	
GERMAN 385	Honors Seminar in German Literature	
GERMAN 411	Kultur des 20. und 21. Jahrhunderts	
Additional GERMAN, from any course listed above, or:		9
GERMAN 249	Intermediate German - Speaking and Listening	
GERMAN 258	Intermediate German-Reading	
GERMAN 262	Intermediate German-Writing	
GERMAN 285	Intermediate Intensive (Honors) German: Language, Culture, Texts	
Total Credits		15

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- Minimum 2.000 GPA on all courses eligible for the certificate
- At least 8 certificate credits must be completed in residence

Pass/fail courses do not apply to the certificate.

UNDERGRADUATE/SPECIAL STUDENT CERTIFICATES

This certificate may be completed within the context of an undergraduate degree or as a Special student after an undergraduate degree has been awarded from any institution. The certificate may be completed in its entirety while enrolled as a Special student. Candidates are encouraged to contact the certificate coordinator to discuss course enrollment and the sequencing of certificate requirements.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. to promote German proficiency in all major skill areas: speaking, listening, reading, and writing.
2. to foster a deeper understanding of the cultures of the German-speaking world through courses taught in German.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

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For advising questions related to the German major, contact the GNS+ Undergraduate Advisor:

Joanna Schuth, Undergraduate Advisor
jschuth@wisc.edu (mllouden@wisc.edu)

836 Van Hise Hall

Make an appointment through Starfish (<https://wisc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/>)

Language placement tests are advised for any student with previous knowledge or experience with German or Dutch. The German test is proctored through the University Placement Test program; more information is available here: <https://exams.wisc.edu/placement/>

If you have questions about your placement test score, please contact the Undergraduate Advisor or the Placement Advisor:

Jeanne M. Schueller, German Language Program Coordinator and Placement Advisor

jmschuel@wisc.edu

866 Van Hise Hall

The placement test for Dutch is a one-on-one appointment with a professor, with written, oral, and reading comprehension components. The Placement Advisor for Dutch is Jolanda Vanderwal Taylor. Please contact the undergraduate advisor to request placement.

Any questions regarding placement in German or Dutch may be directed to the undergraduate placement advisors for these programs:

Jeanne M. Schueller, Undergraduate German Placement Advisor
jmschuel@wisc.edu

866 Van Hise Hall

Jolanda Vanderwal Taylor, Undergraduate Dutch Placement Advisor
jvtaylor@wisc.edu
608-262-5790
832 Van Hise Hall

For advising on careers related to German, Dutch, and other languages, contact the Language Institute (<https://languageinstitute.wisc.edu/>).

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Languages at UW-Madison
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Careers (<https://languages.wisc.edu/beyond/careers/>)

L&S CAREER RESOURCES

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- Enroll in a Career Course (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/career-courses/>) - a great idea for first- and second-year students:
 - INTER-LS 210 L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit)
 - INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Comm B General Education Requirement)
- Learn about internships and internship funding (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/finding-a-job-or-internship/>)
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