

Diploma in German, Year 1

This course is designed to enable beginners to speak, read, comprehend and write German and also to familiarize them with the history and culture of German-speaking countries. Emphasis will be on communication in meaningful contexts in the target language. To ensure a productive participation by students there will be ample opportunities to use German in interview, role-play, writing, and other personalized activities during the course. The language laboratory and computer-assisted language materials (e.g. on the CELT Blackboard site and other websites) will supplement classroom instruction.

GR120 *German 1: Introduction to Beginner's German*

This module introduces students to the fundamentals of German grammar with a view toward achieving comfort in everyday situations. German structures will be explained and contrasted with English to clarify both languages.

Assessment: Continuous assessment by oral and written assignments (50%)
written examinations in Semester 2 (50%), together with module GR121

Weighting: 5 ECTS

Reading List **Neue Horizonte**, 8th edition. Introductory German, by David B. Dollenmayer & Thomas S. Hansen. Course- and Workbook. ISBN- 10: 1-133-93690-3

GR121 *German 2: Beginner's German*

This module works in conjunction with Module 1 to demonstrate grammatical concepts in action. It aims to support the acquisition of vocabulary and structures by alternating listening with short writing activities; to practice oral activities (working in groups or pairs) and to provide students with more opportunities to listen to and interact with others in German. Further listening and reading exercises with short comprehension activities allow the students to deepen their language skills.

Assessment: Continuous assessment by oral and written assignments (50%)

Written examinations in semester 2 (50%), together with module GR120

Weighting: 5 ECTS

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Introduction to Aspects of 20th Century German, Austrian & Swiss Culture

A: Introduction to Aspects of Contemporary German, Austrian and Swiss Culture

This module will contextualize events of the recent past and focus on contemporary life and culture in the German-speaking countries. Through a combination of films and other materials students will learn what life is like in these German-speaking countries today.

Assessment: Project/written assignment in Semester 2

Reading List Handouts in class

B: German Conversation

This course aims to enhance students' confidence in speaking German. German conversation will generate activities coordinated with the chapter themes that teach students how to employ their skills in active interpersonal communication using various exercises, such as role-playing with partners. By the end of the year students should be able to understand and speak about everyday situations that people encounter in their daily living and when travelling abroad.

Assessment: Oral examination in Semester 2

Reading List Handouts in class

Weighting: 5 ECTS