# **Elementary German I**

Course Number: 01:470:101:03

**Course Index:** 07005

Semester: Spring 2014

Credits:

Meetings: Mondays 4:30-5:50 (Period 6) • Scott Hall, Room 204

Wednesdays 4:30–5:50 (Period 6) Murray Hall, Room 115 Wednesdays 6:10-7:30 (Period 7)

This course is designed for beginning students, i.e. **Prerequisites:** 

those without prior knowledge of German. Anyone who has taken two or more years of high-school German may not enroll in this course. If they do enroll, they will receive no credit. Such students should register for

German 121 instead.

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# Course Description

This course will introduce students to the language and culture of German-speaking countries, using both prepared and authentic materials with theme-related vocabulary and grammatical structures. Students will have the opportunity to practice listening, reading, writing, and speaking in German through in-class activities and homework assignments.

By the end of the semester students will be able to:

- talk about their time, including studies and recreational pursuits;
- express their likes and dislikes;
- talk about things, including their possessions and things they give to others;
- give their opinion on matters of taste or style;
- describe their talents and those of others;
- express their intentions, obligations and necessities;
- describe how they or other people feel:
- talk about things that happened in the past, including their own experiences and those of others;
- talk about shopping, work, and daily life at home;
- · describe their career plans.

Students will also learn about cultural perspectives, products and practices of German-speaking countries. Some of the topics addressed this semester include geography and landscape; university studies and professional education; laws and regulations; and customs and holidays.

The course is taught in German with some explanation of grammar points in English.



# **Assessment**

# **Grade Composition**

Aspect	Percentage
S Class Participation (see rubrics below)	15%
☐ Homework Assignments	15%
W Vocabulary Quizzes	10%
	15%
Midterm Examination	20%
☆ Final Examination	25%

# **Grade Distribution**

Grade	Points (%)
Α	90–100
B+	85–89
В	80–84
C+	75–79
С	70–74
D	65–69
F	64 and below

# **Class Participation Rubrics**

	Attentiveness	Contribution	Use of German
Expectations are exceeded (90–100%)	The student always pays attention.	The student is always eager to contribute to class discussion, exercises, and group work. The student often asks questions. The student always volunteers answers.	The student speaks only German during class.
Expectations are met (80–89%)	The student pays attention most of the time.	The student is usually eager to contribute to class discussion, exercises, and group work. The student occasionally asks questions and volunteers answers most of the time.	The student speaks German almost always during class.
Expectations are barely met (70–79%)	The student sometimes pays attention.	The student is occasionally eager to contribute to class discussion, exercises, and group work. The student occasionally asks questions and sometimes volunteers answers.	The student speaks German most of the time during class, but sometimes still switches to English.
Expectations are not met (65-69%)	The student rarely pays attention.	The student almost never contributes to class discussion, exercises, and group work. The student almost never asks questions or volunteers answers.	The student speaks German some of the time during class, and often switches to English.

# **Study Materials**

- 1. Erwin Tschirner, Brigitte Nikolai, and Tracy D. Terrell. *Kontakte: A Communicative Approach*. 7<sup>th</sup> ed. Boston, MA: McGraw-Hill, 2013. ISBN:1259116948 / 9781259116940
  - To order the textbook and its online components at a special rate for Rutgers students use the link <a href="http://shop.mcgraw-hill.com/mhshop/productDetails?isbn=1259116948">http://shop.mcgraw-hill.com/mhshop/productDetails?isbn=1259116948</a> (this link is clickable in the PDF version of the Syllabus). The page contains the correct version of the textbook for our course. It is necessary to establish an account and purchase the book with a valid credit card. Students can always click the Help link at the top of every page; it will open the Customer Support page with the phone number and the e-mail address for customer service.
- 2. Cecile Zorach, Charlotte Melin, Elizabeth A. Kautz. *English Grammar for Students of German: The Study Guide for Those Learning German.* 5th ed. Ann Arbor, MI: The Olivia & Hill Press, 2009. ISBN-13: 9780934034388
- 3. Materials on Sakai
- 4. Handouts
- 5. Optional: Azzan Yadin-Israel. Intuitive Vocabulary: German. Lingua, 2013. ISBN: 0615856012 / 9780615856018

#### **Course Websites**

- Sakai (http://sakai.rutgers.edu) is the general website for our course. All students officially enrolled in this course already have access to it. Students who do not have access need to contact the instructor. Students should check the website frequently for the most recent announcements, worksheets and assignments.
- Connect (http://connect.mcgraw-hill.com/class/2014s\_101\_03) is the textbook-based website for this course. It is used to complete the regular homework assignments and tests. Before students can use this website they need to register. In order to register go to (http://connect.mcgraw-hill.com/class/2014s\_101\_03), click the Register Now button and follow the instructions. Students should use their Rutgers e-mail address as login. If the student has the registration code received with the Kontakte textbook purchased, the code should be used at the registration. If the book has not yet arrived, it is possible to register as a trial for thirty days and insert the code when it arrives with the book purchased.

# **Course Requirements and Assignments**

## Homework Assignments • 15%

- All homework assignments listed in the Syllabus must be completed online (Connect) on the date indicated.
   Please note that for each day that an assignment is overdue 10% of its score will be deducted.
- Note: There will be homework assignments not listed on the Syllabus given by the instructor during class.

#### W Vocabulary Quizzes • 10%

Learning vocabulary is a crucial part of mastering a language. The Syllabus contains links to online tools for learning and reviewing vocabulary for each session.

### Oral Tests • 15%

During the semester students will complete three speaking tasks of increasing length and complexity that will be recorded outside the classroom using the online tool *Vocaroo* (http://vocaroo.com) and sent to the instructor by email. These tasks will allow the students to demonstrate their breadth of vocabulary, fluency, comprehensibility, and ability to use grammatical structures.

## **Examinations** • 45%

The Midterm Examination (20%) will take place at Session 24 (Monday, March 24).

The date, time and place of the Final Examination (25%) will be announced.

## **Recommended Activities**

## **□** Elementary German Laboratory Course

Students of the Elementary German I Course are strongly encouraged to enroll in and attend the 1-credit Elementary German Laboratory Course 01:470:103 held on Tuesdays 1:10–2:30, an instructor-guided laboratory practicum based on intensive use of media for additional support for mastering the material of German 101.

#### German Movie Nights

All Rutgers students of German are invited to German Movie Nights organized by the German Living-Learning Community on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in the German House Seminar Room at 172 College Avenue. The movies are shown in German with English subtitles. Admission is free.

## Communication with the Instructor

#### @ E-Mail

The best way to contact the instructor outside the classroom is to e-mail pichugin@.rutgers.edu. Please include 101 – [First\_Name] in the Subject Line, e.g. 101 – Michael – Question re.... This will help direct the message to the correct folder for quick processing. If this is not included, the message may be read with delay.

#### Progress Reports

On the dates indicated in the Syllabus, students will write short progress reports, where they reflect upon the course and their individual progress. They will describe what they have learned, what more they would like to learn, what aspects of the course they like and dislike and why. The reports are not graded. They will help the instructor better coordinate the students' expectations and progress with the learning goals of the course. Please send the reports as e-mail attachments to the e-mail pichugin@rutgers.edu. Please Include 101 – [First\_Name] – Progress Report [#] in the Subject Line, e.g. 101 – Michael – Progress Report 2.

## Mandatory Office Hours

The students will be required to attend two mandatory office hours (students are always welcome during regular office hours). This will give the students an opportunity to work with the instructor on individual language and skill needs and discuss individual questions and concerns. The sign-up sheet for the first round of mandatory office hours will be circulated on the first day of class.

# **Department and School Policies**

## **Academic Integrity**

Violation of academic integrity is an extremely serious matter; it can lead to a student's failing the course and being referred to the University's Office of Student Conduct for disciplinary action. When referring to ideas other than their own, students should always acknowledge their sources clearly and completely, whether they are quoting or paraphrasing. Note also that use of online translation services is not permitted as a tool for generating work submitted for course credit. Please see the University's policies on academic integrity at <a href="http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu">http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu</a> and discuss with the instructor any questions about this and related issues.

#### **Attendance**

All students must attend regularly and arrive prepared. If a student expects to miss one or two classes, he/she should use the University Self-Reporting Absence website (https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra) to indicate the date and the reason for the absence. An e-mail notification is automatically sent to the instructor. Those who miss more than two class sessions without a compelling excuse should expect a one-step reduction in the course grade (i.e. an A becomes a B+, a B+ becomes a B). Every additional three absences may entail a further one-step grade-reduction. Three late arrivals count as one absence.

**Note:** It is the responsibility of the student who has been absent (for any reason) to find out what he/she has missed and obtain materials that may have been handed out.

## **Cell Phones**

Cell phones and all other technological devices (beepers, iPods, audio players, etc.) must be turned off during class out of respect for fellow students and the instructor.

#### **Disability Support Services**

Students who may be requesting accommodations due to disabilities are encouraged to familiarize themselves with procedures and policies regarding disability support services at the following website: <a href="http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu">http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu</a>. It is recommended that students seeking accommodations begin filing paperwork as soon as possible as the documentation review process may take up to 30 business days. Students are encouraged to speak with the instructor about these issues at the beginning of the term. All such conversations will be kept strictly confidential.

## **Additional Assistance**

Students are encouraged to come to their instructor's office hours with any questions and problems pertaining to class. Any student who needs additional help should contact the Learning Resource Center or the Department's tutors as soon as possible. Additional practice is available at the conversation tables offered each semester at the Language Institute. Informal conversation sessions are also held weekly in the Rutgers Student Center. Check the Department website for further details: <a href="http://german.rutgers.edu">http://german.rutgers.edu</a>.

## The instructor reserves the right to make changes to the Syllabus.

The latest version of this Syllabus is available on Sakai → Syllabus.

# Semesterplan

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T = Thema = Topic of the lesson
G = Grammatik = Grammar topic of the lesson
W = Wortschatz = Vocabulary for learning
→ = Homework to be completed online

= Information related to German-language culture
 = Lektüre = Reading task
 = Filmlektüre = Film-based reading task
 = Videoecke = Work with video clips
 □ = Musikszene = Work with a song

= Oral test

□ In-class written examination date and time
 □ In-class written examination date and time
 □ Progress report sending date
 □ 1–5 = Pages in *Kontakte*, 7<sup>th</sup> ed. textbook
 □ quizlet.com/... = Vocabulary review link (clickable in PDF)

Nr.	Datum	Thema	Hausaufgaben	Klassenarbeit		
1	Mi			Einführung – Kennenlernen – Semesterplan  T Aufforderungen		
2	22.01			T Namen □ 6–7 G A.2 What is your name? The verb heißen □ 20 G A.3 The German case system □ 20–21 Vornamen □ 6		
3	Mo 27.01	rung A	<ul> <li>Aufgabe A.1</li> <li>W Aufforderungen □ 17 □ quizlet.com/_b8y3y</li> <li>W Kleidung □ 17 □ quizlet.com/_b8xvj</li> </ul>	T Kleidung		
4	Mi	Einführung		T Farben ☐ 10 G A.4 Gender of nouns and pronouns ☐ 21–22 Farben als Symbole ☐ 11		
5	29.01		W Begrüßen und Verabschieden □ 17 □ quizlet.com/_b8yjn W Personen □ 17–18 □ http://quizlet.com/_b8yn1 W Sonstige Wörter und Ausdrücke □ 18 □ quizlet.com/_bhb6q	T Begrüßen und Verabschieden  □ 12–13		
6	Mo 03.02		^⊕ Aufgabe A.3   ^⊕ Aufgabe A.4   W Zahlen  □ 17  □ quizlet.com/_b8ydz   W Sonstige Substantive  □ 18  □ quizlet.com/_es54i	T Zahlen □ 14–15  So zählt man □ 14  Perspektiven □ 15–16		
7	Mi		<ul> <li>Aufgabe A.5</li> <li>W Der Seminarraum □ 38 □ quizlet.com/_bhbm3</li> <li>W Sonstige Wörter und Ausdrücke □ 39 □ quizlet.com/_bn12o</li> </ul>	T Der Seminarraum □ 26 G B.1 Definite and indefinite articles □ 40–41		
8	05.02	Ф	W Beschreibungen □ 38 □ quizlet.com/_birv9	T Beschreibungen  □ 27 G B.2 Who are you? The verb sein  □ 41–42 G B.3 What do you have? The verb haben  □ 42 Was ist wichtig im Leben?  □ 28		
9	Mo 10.02	Einführung	Aufgabe B.1   Aufgabe B.2   W Der Körper □ 38   □ quizlet.com/_bis08   W Die Familie □ 38   □ quizlet.com/_bisfu	T Der Körper □ 28–29 T Die Familie □ 29–30 G B.4 Plural forms of nouns □ 43–44 G B.5 Personal pronouns □ 45		
10	Mi	這	→ Aufgabe B.3  W Wetter und Jahreszeiten □ 38 □ quizlet.com/_biswo	T Wetter und Jahreszeiten □ 31–33  Wetter und Klima □ 32  36 Grad □ 33		
11	12.02			W Geografie ☐ 38–39 ☐ quizlet.com/_bitlz W Herkunft ☐ 39 ☐ quizlet.com/_biu0r W Sprachen ☐ 39 ☐ quizlet.com/_bn0y2 ☐ Fortschrittsbericht 1 (= Progress Report 1)	T Herkunft und Nationalität □ 34–35 G B.6 Origins: Woher kommen Sie? □ 46 G B.7 Possessive adjectives: mein, and dein/lhr □ 47 Die Lage Deutschlands in Europa □ 35  Perspektiven □ 36–37	
12	Mo 17.02	as ich tue	<ul> <li>Aufgabe B.4</li> <li>Aufgabe B.5</li> <li>W Freizeit □ 67 □ quizlet.com/_btg7d</li> <li>W Orte □ 67 □ quizlet.com/_btggw</li> </ul>	T Freizeit □ 50–53 G 1.1 Präsens □ 69–70 G 1.2 Expressing likes and dislikes: gern / nicht gern □ 71–72 Freizeit □ 52		
13	Mi	1. Wer ich bin und was ich	→ Aufgabe 1.1  W Schule und Universität □ 67 □ quizlet.com/_bth30	T Schule und Universität ☐ 53–55 G 1.3 Telling time ☐ 72–73 Schule ☐ 55		
14	19.02	1. Wer ich	W Tagesablauf ☐ 67–68 ☐ quizlet.com/_bthm0 W Verben mit trennbaren Präfixen ☐ 68 ☐ quizlet.com/_bthu9	T Tagesablauf ☐ 56–58 G 1.4 Word order in statements ☐ 74 G 1.5 Separable-prefix verbs ☐ 75–76		

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15	Mo 24.02	as ich tue	<ul> <li>Aufgabe 1.2</li> <li>Aufgabe 1.3</li> <li>W Sonstige Substantive □ 68 □ quizlet.com/_bthpc</li> <li>W Sonstige Verben □ 68 □ quizlet.com/_bthwq</li> </ul>	❤ Hilfe! 🚇 58–60					
16	Mi	1. Wer ich bin und was ich tue	↑ Aufgabe 1.4  W Persönliche Daten	T Persönliche Daten □ 60–63 G 1.6 Word order in questions □ 76–77  Gewinner □ 62					
17	26.02		1. Wer ich	1. Wer ich	W Sonstige Wörter und Ausdrücke ☐ 68 ☐ quizlet.com/_bvqba ☐ Oral Test 1 • Length: 2 minutes ☐ vocaroo.com	☐ Guten Tag, ich heiße ☐ 64–65  Perspektiven ☐ 65–66			
18	Mo 03.03		<ul> <li>Aufgabe 1.5</li> <li>Aufgabe 1.6</li> <li>Besitz □ 96 □ quizlet.com/_bvqoi</li> <li>Haus und Wohnung □ 96 □ quizlet.com/_bvqv6</li> </ul>	T Besitz □ 80, 82 G 2.1 Der Akkusativ (= The accusative case) □ 98–99 G 2.2 The negative article kein, keine □ 99–100 Per Euro □ 81					
19	Mi	gen	↑ Aufgabe 2.1	T Geschenke ☐ 83–84 G 2.3 What would you like? Ich möchte ☐ 100–101					
20	05.03	l Vergnügen	W Präpositionen ☐ 97 ☐ quizlet.com/_bvx8a W Sonstige Wörter und Ausdrücke ☐ 97 ☐ quizlet.com/_bvxen	☐ Blog Deutsch 101: Frau Schulz hat Geburtstag ☐ 84–86					
21	Mo 10.03	Besitz und	<ul> <li>Aufgabe 2.2</li> <li>Aufgabe 2.3</li> <li>W Kleidung und Schmuck □ 96 □ quizlet.com/_bvroh</li> <li>W Possessivpronomen □ 97 □ quizlet.com/_bvx3z</li> </ul>	T Kleidung und Aussehen □ 87–89, 91 G 2.4 Possessive adjectives □ 101–104  Junge □ 88					
22	Mi	2. E			Aufgabe 2.4  W Adjektive und Adverbien  97  quizlet.com/_bvx09	<ul><li>✓ Lola rennt □ 89–91</li><li>✓ Jugend im Netz □ 93</li></ul>			
23	12.03								
24	Mo 24.03		<ul> <li>Aufgabe 2.5</li> <li>Aufgabe 2.6</li> <li>Wiederholung (= Review): Einführung A, B; Kapitel 1 und 2</li> </ul>	Zwischenklausur (= Midterm Examination)					
25	Mi		W Talente und Pläne ☐ 128 ☐ quizlet.com/_bvxrc W Modalverben ☐ 128 ☐ quizlet.com/_c0z5k	T Talente und Pläne ☐ 110–112 ☐ 3.1 The modal verbs können, wollen, mögen ☐ 130 –131					
26	26.03	3. Talente, Pläne, Pflichten	hten	nten		W Sonstige Substantive ☐ 128 ☐ quizlet.com/_c164l W Sonstige Verben ☐ 129 ☐ quizlet.com/_c0zii	☐ Ringe fürs Leben zu zweit ☐ 112–114 ☐ Müssen nur wollen ☐ 116		
27	Mo 31.03		<ul> <li>Aufgabe 3.1</li> <li>Aufgabe 3.2</li> <li>Pflichten □ 128 □ quizlet.com/_bvxvh</li> <li>Körperliche und geistige Verfassung □ 128 □ quizlet.com/_bvy6i</li> </ul>	T Pflichten □ 114–117 G 3.2 The modal verbs müssen, sollen, dürfen □ 131–133 Jugendschutz □ 118					
28	Mi		ᆸ	↑ Aufgabe 3.3  W Adjektive und Adverbien □ 129 □ quizlet.com/_bvxvh	T Ach, wie nett!  119–121				
29	02.04		W Schule ☐ 128 ☐ quizlet.com/_bvz3v	Soul Kitchen					
30	Mo 07.04		↑ Aufgabe 3.4 ↑ Aufgabe 3.5 W Sonstige Wörter und Ausdrücke □ 129 □ quizlet.com/_c105z ○ Oral Test 2 • Length: 3 minutes □ vocaroo.com	T Körperliche und geistige Verfassung □ 124–126 G 3.4 Word order: dependent clauses □ 135–136 G 3.5 Dependent clauses and separable-prefix verbs □ 137  Perspektiven □ 126–127					

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31	Mi		Aufgabe 3.6  W Unterwegs □ 159 □ quizlet.com/_c10bj  W Zeit und Reihenfolge □ 159 □ quizlet.com/_c10r4	T Der Alltag ☐ 140–142 G 4.1 Talking about the past: Das Perfekt ☐ 161–162				
32	09.04	Erinnerungen	W Sonstige Verben  □ 160  □ quizlet.com/_c16ll	T Urlaub und Freizeit □ 142, 144–146 G 4.2 Strong and weak past participles □ 163–164  Universität und Studium □ 143 Du hast den Farbfilm vergessen □ 146				
33	Mo 14.04		↑ Aufgabe 4.1	T Geburtstage und Jahrestage □ 147, 149–150 G 4.3 Dates and ordinal numbers □ 165 G 4.4 Prepositions of time: um, an, in □ 166–167 Feiertage und Bräuche □ 148				
34	Mi	<b>Ereignisse und</b>	↑ Aufgabe 4.3  W Sonstige Substantive □ 159–160 □ quizlet.com/_c164l	□ Sternzeichen □ 150–152				
35	16.04	4. Ereiç	W Adjektive und Adverbien ☐ 160 ☐ quizlet.com/_c16of W Schule und Universität ☐ 159 ☐ quizlet.com/_c1132	T Ereignisse ☐ 153–154 G 4.5 Past participles with and without ge- ☐ 167–169				
36	Mo 21.04		↑ Aufgabe 4.4 ↑ Aufgabe 4.5 W Sonstige Wörter und Ausdrücke □ 160 □ quizlet.com/_c16v6 □ Fortschrittsbericht 3	<ul><li> ✓ Jenseits der Stille □ 155–156</li><li>✓ Perspektiven □ 157–158</li></ul>				
37	Mi		Aufgabe 4.6 W Einkäufe und Geschenke  191  quizlet.com/_b817o	T Geschenke und Gefälligkeiten □ 172–174 G 5.1 The dative case: articles and possessive adjectives □ 193–195 G 5.2 Interrogative pronouns wer, wen, wem □ 195 Leipzig □ 175				
38	23.04		W Berufe ☐ 190–191 ☐ quizlet.com/_5zi38 W Verben ☐ 192 ☐ quizlet.com/_3jmz6	T Berufe ☐ 176–178 G 5.3 Expressing change: the verb werden ☐ 196–197				
39	Mo 28.04	Geld und	Geld und	↑ Aufgabe 5.1 ↑ Aufgabe 5.2 W Sonstige Substantive □ 191–192 □ quizlet.com/_d3dod W Adjektive und Adverbien □ 192 □ quizlet.com/_fsne	☐ Die coolsten Studentenjobs ☐ 178–180 ☐ Millionär ☐ 181			
40	Mi			Geld	Geld	Geld	Aufgabe 5.3  W Orte □ 191 □ quizlet.com/_b824i  W Schule und Beruf □ 191 □ quizlet.com/_b829g	T Arbeitsplätze □ 181–182 G 5.4 Location: in, an, auf + dative case □ 197–199 ♣ Ausbildung und Beruf □ 183
41	30.04				W In der Küche   □ 191 □ quizlet.com/_b81fx	T In der Küche ☐ 184–186 G 5.5 Dative case: personal pronouns ☐ 199–201		
42	Mo 05.05		↑ Aufgabe 5.4	Filmlektüre: Der Tunnel				
	ТВА		Aufgabe 5.6 ! Wiederholung: Kapitel 1–5	∠ Klausur (= Final Examination)				