Elementary German II

Course Number: 01:470:102.01

Semester: Spring 2015

Credits: 4

Meetings: MWTh 11:30am-12:50pm, Hardenbergh Hall B4

Prerequisites: This course is designed for beginning students, i.e. 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	Percenta ge
Class Participation (see rubrics below)	15%
Homework Assignments	15%
W Vocabulary Quizzes	10%
Oral Tests (3)	15%
- Midterm Examination	20%
Final Examination	25%

Grade Distribution

Grade	Points (%)
A	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
Expectatio ns are exceeded (90–100%)	are eded pays attention. 00%) The student always exercises, and group only Germony often asks questions. The student always volunteers answers.		The student speaks only German during class.
	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.	German almost
Expectatio ns 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	

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		student occasionally asks questions and sometimes volunteers answers.	switches to English.
ns ai m	 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.	German some of the time during class, and often switches to

Study Materials

- Erwin Tschirner, Brigitte Nikolai, and Tracy D. Terrell. Kontakte: A Communicative Approach. 7th 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 http://shop.mcgraw-hill.com/mhshop/productDetails?isbn=1259116948 (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.
- 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
- Materials on Sakai
- Handouts

Course Websites

Sakai (<u>http://sakai.rutgers.edu</u>) 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.mheducation.com/class/a-boghossian-10201) is the textbook-based website for this course. It is used to complete the regular homework assignments and tests. In order to register, open the URL http://connect.mheducation.com/class/a-boghossian-10201, click the *Register Now* button and follow the instructions. Students should use their Rutgers e-mail address as login. If the student has a 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 (<u>Connect</u>) 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* (<u>http://vocaroo.com</u>) and sent to the instructor by e-mail. 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 on Monday, 03/23, 2015. 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 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 biweekly at the German House Seminar Room at 172 College Avenue. The movies are shown in German with English subtitles. Admission is free. For the exacte dates please check the department homepage or ask your instructor.

Communication with the Instructor

@ E-Mail

The best way to contact the instructor outside the classroom is to e-mail anna.mayer@rutgers.edu.

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 http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu 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: http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu. 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: http://german.rutgers.edu.

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

The latest version of this Syllabus is available on Sakai \rightarrow Syllabus.

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- W = Wortschatz = Vocabulary for learning
- = Homework to be completed .online
- [] = quizlet.com/... = Vocabulary Review Link
- 🗌 = Lektüre = Reading Task

- \Box = Preparation for an oral interview
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