

COURSE OUTLINE

GERM-102

Elementary German II

4 Semester Hours

HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Description

Students continue to develop the four basic skills, particularly oral communication, and to look inside the cultures of Germany, Austria and German-speaking Switzerland. They will develop a project which reflects personal goals for learning German. Instruction focuses on oral communication, and is supported by a computerized classroom and conversation specialists. (4 hours weekly in class and lab).

Statement on General Education and Liberal Learning

A liberal education prepares students to lead ethical, productive, and creative lives and to understand how the pursuit of lifelong learning and critical thinking fosters good citizenship. General education courses form the core of a liberal education within the higher education curriculum and provide a coherent intellectual experience for all students by introducing the fundamental concepts and methods of inquiry in the areas of mathematics, the physical and natural sciences, the social sciences, the arts and the humanities, and composition. This course is part of the general education core experience at Howard Community College.

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course students will:

1. To improve German pronunciation and practice different situations as often as possible.
2. To improve reading skills and build up knowledge of vocabulary.
3. To improve writing skills well enough to be able to write short and gradually longer compositions.
4. To be able to read, understand and talk about current events in German and to read about them in German papers and magazines.
5. To understand German culture, and if possible to participate in some German cultural events.

Major Topics

- 1) Vocabulary for festivities and pastimes
 - a) Talk about party
 - b) Verbs with stem changes
- 2) Vocabulary for weather, sports, reactions
 - a) The game
 - b) Irregular verb forms
 - c) Direct and indirect object pronouns
 - d) Stem changing verbs
- 3) Vocabulary for food
 - a) Stem changing verbs

- b) Demonstrative Adjectives
 - c) Two pronouns together
 - d) Negations
- 4) Vocabulary for clothes
- a) Commands
 - b) Ordinal numbers

Course Requirements

Grading/Exams

Grading procedures will be determined by the individual faculty member but will include classroom activities, homework, quizzes, tests and a final exam.

Since language skills can only be acquired by active participation and should be checked by a teacher, attendance is a very important part of your grade. A grade will be assigned each week for class participation. If a student is absent without excuse this will be reflected in his/her grade. Students are also encouraged to seek extra help with the instructor whenever necessary.

Other Course Information

This course is an Arts and Science elective, a Humanities elective, and a Humanities core.
This course is a core requirement for languages.

This course fulfills the cultural diversity requirement.