

GERMAN 111 COURSE DESCRIPTION

Fall 2003

Instructor: Dr. Gamin Bartle

Office Location: Language Resource Center, B.B. Comer Room 252B

Work Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 11:00 am; 12:00 noon – 4:45 pm

Student consultations **by appointment** please!

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Course Description

Accelerated Introductory German meets 9 hours/ week and covers all materials from GN 101 and GN 102 in one semester.

Required Books

Textbook: *Kontakte*, 4th Edition (comes with 1-hour audio CD)

Workbook: *Kontakte Arbeitsbuch*, 4th Edition

Educational objectives

Student will develop listening comprehension, speaking, reading comprehension and writing skills in German at an introductory level. Do not, however, be fooled by the term “introductory.” This is an intense, time-consuming, *accelerated* honors course. By registering for it, you are obligating yourself to be hard-working, reliable, and, most importantly, curious and willing to be responsible for your own learning.

Daily Tutorial Session

In addition to the regular class meetings Monday through Friday from 11:00 – 11:50, attendance at a daily tutorial session (Monday – Thursday at either 10:00 or 12:00) is mandatory for the course.

Attendance

Illness, Family Emergency or University activities out of town (sporting events, band performances, etc.) are the only forms of excused absences. You may be asked for documentation, and you must inform the teacher **in advance** of scheduled University activities.

Attendance in the daily classes and the tutorial sessions is required. A student who misses five classes/tutorials (or more) will have his/her course grade lowered by one letter grade. Students who miss 10 classes/tutorials or more cannot receive a grade higher than 'D' for the course (no matter what the test and other grades are). The instructors' records will be the sole authority in determining student attendance and absences. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Student conduct:

- Cheating in any form (including translations done on translation web sites) is not tolerated.

- Class is not a time to hold individual consultations with the instructor. Be respectful of your fellow students' time.
- If you disrupt the class you may be asked to leave.
- Arriving late to class is considered a disruption.

Disabilities: Please notify your instructor immediately if special accommodations are necessary for your success in the classroom. If you are unsure as to whether or not you might have a learning disability, please contact Disability Services at 348-4285. It is your responsibility to be tested and to inform your teachers about test results and accommodations.

Homework: Homework is assigned on WebCT in the *Hausaufgaben* section. No late homework will be accepted except in the case of an excused absence. Please see separate homework instructions for more information.

Language Resource Center (252 B.B. Comer): During the course, the class will spend time -- usually during tutorial section meetings -- in the LRC to work on lab assignments or other computer-based activities. Please be sure to **bring both your textbook and your Arbeitsbuch to each class and tutorial session meeting** so that you are prepared in case class goes to the lab.

Quizzes

Announced vocabulary and grammar quizzes will be given at the instructor's discretion. These will sometimes be administered on WebCT or CAN 8 and will be available for limited times, so be sure to pay attention to when they will take place. Check the calendar in WebCT often! The lowest quiz grade *may* be dropped in figuring the final course grade.

Tests

A test will be given upon completion of each chapter in *Kontakte*. It will cover work done in class as well as homework. The lowest test grade *may* be dropped in figuring the final course grade.

Final Exam

This is required for the course. There should be no surprises in it. It is comprehensive, covering all materials in the course. It contains an oral component worth 10% of the whole exam. The oral section will be given in class. The written exam is administered during the time noted in the official schedule of classes. **THE FINAL MUST BE TAKEN AT THE SCHEDULED TIME.**

Grading Scale

Scale: 100-97 A+, 96-93 A, 92-90 A-, 89-87 B+, and so forth.

Grade Percentages

10% Participation and attendance in class
5% Participation and attendance in drill

10% Oral component/ Lab Work (not Arbeitsbuch)
15% Arbeitsbuch
10% Written Homework (from Textbook)
30% Chapter tests
20% Final Exam

Keep in mind, however, that violating the attendance policy will result in a lowering of your course grade. A student who misses five classes/tutorials (or more) will have his/her course grade lowered by one letter grade. Students who miss 10 classes/tutorials or more cannot receive a grade higher than 'D' for the course (no matter what the test and other grades are). The instructors' records will be the sole authority in determining student attendance and absences. There are no exceptions to this policy.

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Last name:

To be signed by each student and returned to the instructor.

I have carefully read the course information for German 111 (Fall 2003) and am aware of what is expected of me.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____