BA in German

Degree Program Description

The German degree is the exploration of the language, literature and culture of German-speaking countries (Germany, Austria, and Switzerland). Many of the greatest thinkers and artists of the modern era - e.g. Einstein, Freud, Nietzsche, Kant, Beethoven, Marx, Kafka, Goethe - came from these regions, while almost every discipline in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences has a strong German tradition. In addition, Germany plays a crucial role in the European Union, on the world political stage, and in economic dealings with the United States and around the world. The BA in German offers you the possibility of participating in this vibrant cultural tradition first hand. MU German majors have successfully pursued careers in business, engineering, finance, law, journalism, government service, teaching, medicine, and the sciences, as well as in art, literature, philosophy, music, and film.

Major Program Requirements

The major in German consists of 27 credits in German beyond GERMAN 2100. The German faculty strongly encourages all majors to spend at least one semester studying abroad at a German university. Equivalents to all the required courses for the major are available through study abroad. In addition, students must meet all degree, college and university graduation requirements (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegerequirements/universityrequirements/) including university general education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/).

Major core requirements (beyond the A&S language requirement)

The following courses or their equivalents must be included:

- GERMAN 2260 Intermediate German II: Language and Culture 3
- GERMAN 3160 or GERMAN 3190 German Conversation and Composition or Contemporary German Culture 3
- GERMAN 3230 Introduction to German Literature 3
- GERMAN 4160 Advanced Language Proficiency 3
- GERMAN 4980 German Capstone Seminar 3
- One GERMAN 4200-level literature course 3
- GERMAN 2310 or GERMAN 2320 German Civilization I: Barbarians, Valkyries, Knights, Poets or German Civilization: 1850 to Present 3

Electives

Elective courses and equivalents to replace the required courses above should be selected in consultation with the advisor.

Total Credits: 21

* GERMAN 2310 and GERMAN 2320 are Writing Intensive
German civilization courses. Versions of both GERMAN 2310 and GERMAN 2320 taken online do NOT count towards the major or minor requirements.

Semester Plan

Below is a sample plan of study, semester by semester. A student's actual plan may vary based on course choices where options are available.