GERMAN STUDIES MINOR

Banner Code: GRMS

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The emphasis of the minor is on developing strong language skills: oral communication and the reading of texts. Students are introduced to important works of German literature and to the culture of German-speaking countries.

A German Studies minor can easily and effectively be combined with majors in other disciplines. It is especially valuable in combination with business, computer science, international studies, history, music, philosophy, or another language.

Admissions & Policies

Policies
Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor. Students pursuing this minor must complete 18 credits at the 300-level or above with a minimum grade of 2.00 in each course. For policies governing all minors, see AP.5.3.4 Minors.

A maximum of two courses (6 credits) conducted in English can be applied to the minor.

Requirements

Minor Requirements
Total credits: 18

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

Core Courses

Language Courses
Code Title Credits
Select three courses from the following: 9
GERM 310 Conversation and Composition
GERM 316 German for the Business World
GERM 312 Great Cities in Germany, Austria and Switzerland
GERM 315 German for the Global World
GERM 318 Translation of Texts
GERM 370 German Through the Arts
GERM 415 Advanced Grammar and Style
GERM 418 Advanced Composition

Total Credits 9

Literature and Culture Courses
Code Title Credits
Select two courses from the following: 6
GERM 301 Culture and Civilization
GERM 325 Major Writers (Mason Core)
GERM 340 Topics in German Literature and Film
GERM 355 Readings in Poetry (Topic Varies)
GERM 365 Topics in German History and Culture
GERM 375 Readings in Drama
GERM 442 The Age of Goethe
GERM 444 The Literature of Romanticism
GERM 450 Modern Literature: 1880-1925
GERM 451 Modern Literature: 1925 to the Present
GERM 480 Special Topics

Total Credits 6

Elective
Code Title Credits
Select one course from the following: 1
GERM 300- or 400-Level Course
HIST 306 The Reformation
HIST 308 Nineteenth-Century Europe
HIST 309 Europe in Crisis: 1914-1948
HIST 314 History of Germany
PHIL 325 Karl Marx’s Social and Political Thought
PHIL 335 Nineteenth-Century Philosophy
PHIL 340 Hermeneutic Philosophy
MUSI 332 Music History in Society II
MUSI 338 Music History in Society A

Total Credits 3

1 The courses listed may apply to the minor with prior written approval of the advisor.