

FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE - German



College of Arts and Sciences • Department of Foreign Languages and Literature

Degrees Available at SIUE

- B.A., German
- B.S., Secondary Education Teacher Certification in German

Why Foreign Languages and Literature: German?

A Bachelor's degree in German enables students to travel to or live in another country for work or to communicate with its citizens. It also prepares students for success in the global marketplace and expands career horizons. Secondary Education Teacher Certification in German is an ideal degree for students who have an interest in German language and culture and who desire to infuse others with their passion through teaching.

German at SIUE

Ample opportunities exist for students to develop proficiency through weekly Conversation Hours and computer-assisted learning in a state-of-the-art language lab. Department faculty also closely mentor students and help coordinate optimal student teaching opportunities. Study abroad is highly recommended.

Students seeking to teach German at the high school level may simultaneously earn a B.A. degree in German at SIUE, as well as their Secondary Education Teacher Certification. Students who declare themselves as teacher candidates must demonstrate advanced proficiency in order meet requirements for teaching.

Career Outlook

Foreign language teachers are in high demand. In many cities demand outpaces supply as teachers are lured away to use their language skills in the global business world

The U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics also predicts a growth in the number of non-English speaking students, which will increase demand for bilingual teachers.

Admission Requirements

Students wishing to declare a major must satisfy the following requirements:

- Complete all Academic Development courses required by the University.
- Complete any required courses to address high school deficiencies.
- Achieve a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 in courses completed at SIUE.

Exit Requirements

FL 111a,b, **GER 201**, **GER 202**, GER 301, GER 351, GER 352, GER 400a,b, 300-400 level elective courses (12 hours)

Advanced electives will normally include at least two courses in culture and two in literature. 400 is usually taken during the last semester of major course work.

Secondary Education Teacher Certification Program

Students seeking secondary education teacher certification will complete the following in addition to major requirements: FL 486 Professional Education Courses

**Note: A "B" (3.0) average in the major is required for secondary education teacher certification. In order to register for student teaching in foreign languages (CI 352g), students must successfully complete a student teaching interview.*

Other Foreign Language Programs at SIUE

French, Spanish, Focus in Chinese



Faculty

Professors

Belinda Carstens-Wickham, (Chair), Ph.D.

1980, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Joan D. Mann, Ph.D.

1987, University of Florida

Geert Pallemans, Ph.D.

1992, Florida State University

Associate Professors

Douglas Simms, Ph.D.

2003, University of Texas, Austin

Mariana Solares, Ph.D.

1997, University of California, Irvine

Assistant Professors

Olga Bezhanova, Ph.D.

2008, Yale University

Joaquin Florido Berrocal,

2009, Johns Hopkins University

Thomas Lavalley, Ph.D.

2004, Washington University

Carolina Rocha, Ph.D.

2001, University of Texas, Austin

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Sample Four-Year Curriculum - BA

	FALL	SPRING
YEAR 1	GER 101 Elementary German I (4) ENG 101 English Composition I (3) FL 111b Intro to Foreign Studies (3) Introductory Natural Sciences & Math (3) Introductory Social Sciences (3) Total 16	GER 102 Elementary German II (IC) (4) ENG 102 English Composition II (3) STAT 107, PHIL 106, MATH 106, FL 106, CS 108, or CMIS 108 (3) Introductory Fine Arts & Humanities (3) Introductory General Education (3) Total 16
YEAR 2	GER 201 Intermediate German I (4) Distribution Fine Arts & Humanities (3) Distribution Natural Sciences & Math (3) Introductory General Education (3) Elective (3) Total 16	GER 202 Intermediate German II (4) Distribution Social Sciences (3) Intergroup Relations (IGR) (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Total 16
YEAR 3	GER 301 Advanced German (4) GER 351 Survey of German Literature (3) Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Total 16	GER 352 Survey of German Literature (3) German Elective (300-400 level) (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Total 15
YEAR 4	GER 400a Senior Essay (2) German Elective (300-400 level) (3) German Elective (300-400 level) (3) Elective (3) Elective (4) Total 15	GER 400b Senior Essay (2) German Elective (300-400 level) (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Total 14

TRANSFER STUDENTS Maximize your transfer experience - complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer **AND** satisfy the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS, or AAT (early childhood, special ed, or math) degree from an IAI community college. If 'Minor' requirements are shown, discuss careful course selection with the academic advising contact listed. Transfer Credit Equivalency Guides are located at siue.edu/transfer/

In order to be admitted into the teacher certification program, students must have:

- Received a grade of C or above in **ENG 101** and **ENG 102**
- Completed 43 semester hours of course credit and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher (this includes work at other institutions)
- Successfully completed the introductory course **CI 200**
- **Passed the ICTS Basic Skills Test.** Information about this test is available at www.icts.nesinc.com

BA degree requires two semesters of same foreign language.

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