



## Department of European languages Course Description B.A Degree German and English Language and Literature

### **2203101 German Language for Beginners(1) (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : none**

This language course introduces students in a communicative way to the grammatical structures of German with the aim of training them in the four language skills: listening comprehension, reading, writing and oral skills. It covers the following fields of every day communication: greeting, introducing oneself, describing one's home, asking for prices, buying, asking for directions, specifying time and place etc. Following grammar issues will be trained: present tense of regular, irregular and modal verbs, definite and indefinite articles, negating, gender, nominative and accusative of nouns and pronouns, numbers, demonstrative and indefinite pronouns.

### **2203102 German Language for Beginners (2) (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2203101**

The course continues the introduction into the basics of German. It develops the skills acquired in German for Beginners 1 and aims at preparing students to understand written and spoken texts, as well as to produce them. It covers new fields of every day communication such as giving advice, telling what happened, asking for and describing directions in the city, inviting, expressing opinion and wishes, etc. The following new grammatical issues will be covered: imperative, perfect tense, prepositions, dative and genitive, comparative and superlative.

### **2203136 German Language for Beginners (3) (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2203102**

This course continues to train students in the four language skills (listening comprehension, reading, writing and oral skills) on a more advanced level, so that after finishing the course they shall be able to act with self-assurance in every day life situations. It covers the following new fields: describing people's appearance, school and education, TV and entertainment, industry, work and economics in Germany.



### **2233114 German for Specialization 1 (6 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : non**

This Course targets students with no prior knowledge of the German language and aims at gradually introducing and developing all main four skills :reading, writing, speaking and listening through situations and contexts of the daily life and acquainting them with typical scenes of the German speaking countries` culture.

### **2233115 German for Specialization 2 (6 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2233114**

This course builds on students` previous experience with German, adding to it more language rules, more vocabulary and more sentence structure as necessary, enabling them to read, write, listen and speak at a higher level within the context of daily situations.

### **2243221 Listening and Conversation (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite: 2233115**

This course mainly enhances oral skills with the aim to practice communication strategies. General themes will be discussed after presentation through audio-visual aids. Students will listen to and discuss a variety of topics.

### **2233222 Grammar (1) German (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite: 2233115**

The course concentrates on the description of German morphology. Students will be systematically trained in various morphological processes. The basic ruler of grammar will be explained at length and mastered by the students.

### **2203223 Pronunciation and Speech (3 credit hours)**

#### **prerequisite: 2233115**

The course introduces position and articulation regularities and describes cognitive and physiological processes during the production of phonetic segments (sounds and sound connections).



### **2203224 German Writing (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite: 2233115**

The aim of the course is to train students in writing various types of free and guided compositions (e.g. narratives, descriptions, letters, general subjects, etc.). The students will begin at the level of sentence, then move to higher levels, always paying close attention to correctness.

### **2233331 Introduction to German Literature (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2233115**

The course introduces students to German literature in general. Reading of various literary texts will be based on representative texts to familiarize students with literary terminology and the methods of text interpretation and realize the importance of general knowledge for the literature. Students will learn to work in groups through their group discussions and short presentations about the read materials and display better cross-cultural communication skills via comparing different cultures. Besides theoretical knowledge about the German literature, the students are expected to continue improving their language competence.

Discussions about the studied materials and oral & written interpretations are main parts of the intended communicative lecture.

### **2233341 Translation (German – Arabic) 1 (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite: 2233115**

This course trains students to translate texts from German into Arabic; it highlights the difficulties of translation and trains students to overcome them. It includes translation of a wide variety of material from everyday situations.

### **2233321 Grammar (2) German (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite: 2233115**

The aim of the course is to enrich students' grammatical knowledge of German. It concentrates on the sentence as the elementary form of communication as well as on various syntactic processes. More advanced rules of grammar will be discussed and mastered.



**2233332 German Literature until the end of eighteenth century  
(3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite : 2233331**

The course give through some selected examples an overview of the development of German literature from its beginnings in the middle ages until its classical perfection through the works of Goethe and Schiller. Representative samples will be selected and studied.

**2233421 Debate and Reading / German (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233222**

This course introduces the skills of debate , effective reading and in inferential thinking through the use of selected text . the student should be able to recognize the structure of the text and to utilize the acquired vocabulary , expressions and structures in his discussion.

**2203422 Special Topic in German Language (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite : 2233222**

This course, whose content varies from one semester to another, deals with a specific topic on or linked to the German language. It is determined on the basis of students` needs and the instructors` area of specialization or research interests. The course usually provides an in-depth investigation of a certain topic that has not been covered in the language courses offered in the study plan.

**2233431 Contemporary German Literature (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite : 2233331**

This course starts with the so-called “Classical Period of German Literature “ with the mature works of Goethe and Schiller and leads through the several literary epochs until the present. Students will read and study selections from the poetry, prose, and drama of the period.

**2233441 Translation (Arabic – German) 2 (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233115**

Students will be trained in translating texts from Arabic into German whereby translation of practical texts such as newspaper articles documents, certificates, directions for use etc. will be taken in special consideration.



### **2203333 German in the Field of Tourism (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2233115**

The participants should intensively tackle with German in the Field of Tourism. At the beginning of the course students listen to descriptions of different kinds of journeys. Advantages and disadvantages of different ways of travelling are discussed. Reading and discussing prospects the learners collect information on sights and monuments in Jordan. Students are then asked to give short presentations on these sights and monuments. The special vocabulary necessary to describe archaeological places should be acquired.

### **2203334 German in the Field of Economics (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2233115**

This course familiarizes students with the special terminology used in this Field and introduces them to lexical expressions and specialized vocabulary to this Field. It also concentrates on special grammatical structures of scientific texts in general. It enhances as well their ability to communicate in the specialization, to read scientific texts , and to use dictionaries.

### **2203335 German in the Field of Media (3 credit hours)**

#### **Prerequisite : 2233115**

In this course participants are introduced to characteristics of different kinds of media. Students receive an overview about different categories of newspapers and magazines. The different kinds of newspapers and magazines are described, background information about different products of the press is acquired. Articles from newspaper and magazines are presented by students and then discussed. Basic knowledge about the German press laws is gathered.



**2203423 Didactics and methodology of teaching German as a foreign Language (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite : 2233331**

This course represents an introduction of the Didactics (the WHAT) and the Methodology (the HOW) of teaching of a foreign language. We shall handle those methodological concepts that have had a substantial impact on teaching German as a foreign language throughout the history, but also the modern methods that have proved to produce positive results in the past 10-15 years.

The students will learn to recognize the advantages and the disadvantages of the different methods of teaching and how to plan and perform a successful and interesting lesson.

**2233432 Civilization of the German Speaking Countries (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233341**

Emphasis is placed on the historical, geographic and social circumstances of Germany, Austria and Switzerland are the basic focus of this course. Several from a variety of disciplines representing the German civilization will be studied in detail.

**2203322 German Linguistics (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233222**

This course is an introduction to theories and trends in German linguistics and their importance in the teaching of grammar. The various aspects of linguistic and its components will be studied at length.

**2233433 Special Topic in German Literature (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233331**

A particular literary topic is selected by the individual instructor in coordination with the Department Chairman for study and analysis by the students. The topic is one which the students are not familiar with or which the study plan does not cover.

**2203434 Austrian Literature (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233331**

This course mediates the special constellations which led to the generation of the Austrian literature. The most significant German writing authors of the Austrian – Hungarian Monarchy, the First Republic and the modern literary scene are introduced through representative works.



**2233435 Short Story (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233331**

The short story is a literary form mainly of the late 19th and 20th centuries. Big names in the field of short story like Stifter, Storm, Keller, Schnitzler, Zweig and Kafka will be introduced and analyzed.

**2203436 Comparative Literature (3 credit hours)**

**Prerequisite: 2233331**

Literary topics and motifs taken from German literature will be analyzed and compared with their treatment and adaptation by several German and Arab authors. The basics of comparative studies will be analyzed and mastered.